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Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Company® Announces S&P Rating Upgrade

(CHICAGO) – March 13, 2007 – Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Company today announced that Standard & Poor’s (S&P) Rating Services raised its counterparty credit and financial strength ratings to A+ (Strong) from A (Strong).

“The financial health of any insurer is critical to fulfilling its obligations to agents and policyholders,” said Larry Newsom, president and chief executive officer of Fort Dearborn Life. “The S&P rating upgrade validates our strong financial health, reflects our strong operating performance and illustrates our constant commitment to financial stability.”

With more than 35 years experience, Fort Dearborn Life is among the country’s leading providers of employee benefits. Fort Dearborn Life markets group life, short- and long-term disability, dental and individual annuity programs. Fort Dearborn Life has \$2.1 billion in assets and \$151 billion of life insurance in force. Fort Dearborn Life is rated A+ (Superior) by A.M. Best Company, affirmed Aug. 10, 2006¹, and is rated A+ (Strong) by Standard and Poor’s for financial strength in its most recent report. Fort Dearborn Life is a subsidiary of Health Care Service Corporation (HCSC), a Mutual Legal Reserve Company.

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¹ A.M. Best Company rates the overall financial condition of a company using a scale of A++ (Superior) to F (In Liquidation).