

PRESS RELEASE

INTESA SANPAOLO: EXPOSURE TO LEHMAN BROTHERS

Torino, Milano, 16 September 2008 – The Intesa Sanpaolo Group's exposure to the Lehman Brothers Group is provided below:

- on-balance sheet loans of approximately 51 million euro, guarantees of approximately 3 million euro, bonds for a nominal value of approximately 166 million euro;
- net mark-to-market replacement risks of approximately 40 million euro.

The manager responsible for preparing the company's financial reports, Ernesto Riva, declares, pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 154 *bis* of the Consolidated Law on Finance, that the accounting information contained in this press release corresponds to the document results, books and accounting records.