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**E*TRADE FINANCIAL CORPORATION REPORTS
MONTHLY ACTIVITY FOR FEBRUARY 2010;
PROVIDES UPDATES TO ITS LOAN DELINQUENCIES**

New York, March 17, 2010 – E*TRADE FINANCIAL Corporation (NASDAQ: ETFC) today released its Monthly Activity Report for February 2010 and provided intra-quarter loan portfolio delinquencies.

The Company ended the month with more than 2.6 million U.S. brokerage accounts – including gross new brokerage accounts of 29,897 and net new brokerage accounts of 7,761 during the month. Total accounts ended the month at approximately 4.4 million. Daily Average Revenue Trades (“DARTs”) from U.S. operations for February were 138,728, a decrease of 20 percent from January and 15 percent from the year ago period.

U.S. net new brokerage assets were positive \$0.6 billion in the month, totaling \$1.2 billion year-to-date. During the month, customer security holdings increased by five percent, or \$5.5 billion, and brokerage-related cash grew by \$0.3 billion to \$20 billion. Customers were net buyers of approximately \$0.3 billion in securities in February. Bank-related cash and deposits declined by \$0.3 billion.

The Company also updated delinquency statistics in its loan portfolio. For the Company’s entire loan portfolio, total special mention delinquencies (30 to 89 days delinquent) declined by less than one percent from December 31, 2009 to February 28, 2010 while total “at risk” delinquencies (30 to 179 days delinquent) declined by three percent for the same period.

Detailed information concerning loan delinquencies is provided in table form on page 3 of this release.

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Monthly Activity Data

	<u>Feb-10</u>	<u>Jan-10</u>	<u>Feb-09</u>	<u>% Chg. M/M</u>	<u>% Chg. Y/Y</u>
Trading days	19.0	19.0	19.0	N.M.	N.M.
DARTs from U.S. operations	138,728	172,445	162,891	(19.6)%	(14.8)%
DARTs from International local operations	11,310	11,420	18,853	(1.0)%	(40.0)%
Total DARTs	<u>150,038</u>	<u>183,865</u>	<u>181,744</u>	(18.4)%	(17.4)%
Gross new brokerage accounts	29,897	30,850	34,536	(3.1)%	(13.4)%
Gross new stock plan accounts	10,178	16,364	10,977	(37.8)%	(7.3)%
Gross new banking accounts	2,351	2,292	15,284	2.6 %	(84.6)%
Gross new international local brokerage accounts	423	644	1,564	(34.3)%	(73.0)%
Total gross new accounts	<u>42,849</u>	<u>50,150</u>	<u>62,361</u>	(14.6)%	(31.3)%
Net new brokerage accounts	7,761	(2,392)	10,946	N.M.	N.M.
Net new stock plan accounts	(4,056)	1,017	(4,541)	N.M.	N.M.
Net new banking accounts	(17,427)	(10,546)	3,227	N.M.	N.M.
Net new international local brokerage accounts	(982)	(22)	1,052	N.M.	N.M.
Net new accounts	<u>(14,704)</u>	<u>(11,943)</u>	<u>10,684</u>	N.M.	N.M.
End of period brokerage accounts	2,635,448	2,627,687	2,539,057	0.3 %	3.8 %
End of period stock plan accounts	1,022,774	1,026,830	1,010,931	(0.4)%	1.2 %
End of period banking accounts	695,431	712,858	829,868	(2.4)%	(16.2)%
End of period international local brokerage accounts	81,435	82,417	83,940	(1.2)%	(3.0)%
End of period total accounts	<u>4,435,088</u>	<u>4,449,792</u>	<u>4,463,796</u>	(0.3)%	(0.6)%
<u>Customer Assets (\$MM)</u>					
Security holdings	\$ 120,426	\$ 114,972	\$ 69,993	4.7 %	72.1 %
Brokerage related cash	20,273	19,986	15,188	1.4 %	33.5 %
International local brokerage cash	411	449	383	(8.5)%	7.3 %
Other customer cash and deposits	12,195	12,469	17,155	(2.2)%	(28.9)%
Total customer assets	<u>\$ 153,305</u>	<u>\$ 147,876</u>	<u>\$ 102,719</u>	3.7 %	49.2 %
Net new brokerage assets (\$B) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0.6	\$ 0.6	\$ 0.8	N.M.	N.M.
Net new banking assets (\$B) ⁽¹⁾	(0.3)	(0.5)	0.4	N.M.	N.M.
Net new international local brokerage assets (\$B) ⁽¹⁾	-	0.1	-	N.M.	N.M.
Net new customer assets (\$B) ⁽¹⁾	<u>\$ 0.3</u>	<u>\$ 0.2</u>	<u>\$ 1.2</u>	N.M.	N.M.

⁽¹⁾ Net new customer assets are total inflows to all new and existing customer accounts less total outflows from all closed and existing customer accounts. The net new banking assets and net new brokerage assets metrics treat asset flows between E*TRADE entities in the same manner as unrelated third party accounts.

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Loan Delinquency Data⁽²⁾

	Feb-10	Jan-10	Dec-09	% Chg. Feb 10 - Jan 10	% Chg. Jan 10 - Dec 09	% Chg. Feb 10 - Dec 09
<i>One- to Four-Family (\$MM)</i>						
Current	\$ 8,453	\$ 8,633	\$ 8,845	(2)%	(2)%	(4)%
30-89 days delinquent	521	515	528	1 %	(2)%	(1)%
90-179 days delinquent	351	381	387	(8)%	(2)%	(9)%
Total 30-179 days delinquent	872	896	915	(3)%	(2)%	(5)%
180+ days delinquent ⁽³⁾	896	864	842	4 %	3 %	6 %
Total delinquent loans	1,768	1,760	1,757	0 %	0 %	1 %
Gross loans receivable ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 10,221	\$ 10,393	\$ 10,602	(2)%	(2)%	(4)%
<i>Home Equity (\$MM)</i>						
Current	\$ 7,150	\$ 7,268	\$ 7,386	(2)%	(2)%	(3)%
30-89 days delinquent	251	240	247	5 %	(3)%	2 %
90-179 days delinquent	188	193	194	(3)%	(1)%	(3)%
Total 30-179 days delinquent	439	433	441	1 %	(2)%	(0)%
180+ days delinquent ⁽³⁾	59	62	56	(5)%	11 %	5 %
Total delinquent loans	498	495	497	1 %	(0)%	0 %
Gross loans receivable ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 7,648	\$ 7,763	\$ 7,883	(1)%	(2)%	(3)%
<i>Consumer and Other (\$MM)</i>						
Current	\$ 1,779	\$ 1,799	\$ 1,828	(1)%	(2)%	(3)%
30-89 days delinquent	31	31	30	0 %	3 %	3 %
90-179 days delinquent	5	5	6	0 %	(17)%	(17)%
Total 30-179 days delinquent	36	36	36	0 %	0 %	0 %
180+ days delinquent ⁽³⁾	1	1	1	0 %	0 %	0 %
Total delinquent loans	37	37	37	0 %	0 %	0 %
Gross loans receivable ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 1,816	\$ 1,836	\$ 1,865	(1)%	(2)%	(3)%
<i>Total Loans Receivable (\$MM)</i>						
Current	\$ 17,382	\$ 17,700	\$ 18,059	(2)%	(2)%	(4)%
30-89 days delinquent	803	786	805	2 %	(2)%	(0)%
90-179 days delinquent	544	579	587	(6)%	(1)%	(7)%
Total 30-179 days delinquent	1,347	1,365	1,392	(1)%	(2)%	(3)%
180+ days delinquent ⁽³⁾	956	927	899	3 %	3 %	6 %
Total delinquent loans	2,303	2,292	2,291	0 %	0 %	1 %
Total gross loans receivable ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 19,685	\$ 19,992	\$ 20,350	(2)%	(2)%	(3)%

⁽²⁾ Amounts and percentages may not calculate due to rounding.

⁽³⁾ Loans that are delinquent for 180+ days have been written down to estimated current property value.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes unpaid principal balances and premiums (discounts).

Historical Monthly Activity Data from January 2007 to February 2010 can be found on the E*TRADE FINANCIAL investor relations site at <https://investor.etrade.com>.

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