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E*TRADE FINANCIAL EARNS A+ RATING IN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES FOR INVESTORS

Company earns top honors among brokers in Corporate Insight's recent e-Monitor report

NEW YORK, October 21, 2013 – E*TRADE Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: ETFC) today announced it earned an A+ rating for its <u>Investor Education Center</u> from Corporate Insight, Inc. in its September 2013 *e-Monitor* report. The study examined the investor education resources of 13 brokerage firms, focusing on website content available to logged-in customers. Judging criteria included accessibility, content and format.

"The combination of central location, easy navigation, robust offerings and varied content makes the E*TRADE Education Center one of the best of all firms covered in this report," reads Corporate Insight's recent e-Monitor study. Corporate Insight goes on to cite E*TRADE's ability for customers to sort and find the right information quickly as reasons for the high mark.

"Our goal is to deliver insight and education that helps customers invest wisely," said Lena Haas, SVP, Retirement, Investing and Savings at E*TRADE. "This A+ designation is not just a reflection of the highquality content customers can find on our site – it is an indication to any investor that no matter what their goals are, at E*TRADE they can get the resources they need to execute smart investing and trading decisions."

E*TRADE's Investor Education Center provides articles, demonstrations, online courses, tutorials, videos, webinars, and webcasts designed to empower investors in managing and monitoring their investments. These resources are available to all online users and do not require a log-in for access. To learn more, visit <u>www.etrade.com/education</u>.

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