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McGraw Hill Financial Appoints Courtney Geduldig Executive Vice President, Public Affairs as Ted Smyth Retires Due to Senior Executive Retirement Policy

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NEW YORK, April 21, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- McGraw Hill Financial (NYSE: MHFI) today announced the appointment of Courtney Geduldig as Executive Vice President, Public Affairs, effective May 1, 2015.

She succeeds Ted Smyth, who will be retiring pursuant to the company's longstanding retirement policies for senior executives. Mr. Smyth has been Executive Vice President, Corporate Affairs and special advisor to the Chairman of the Board of Directors since 2009.

"Courtney is a talented leader, strategist and communicator who has developed a world-class government and public policy team for the company. She is renowned for her team-building and government affairs skills in public service in the Administration and Congress," said Douglas L. Peterson, President and Chief Executive Officer of McGraw Hill Financial.

"I want to thank Ted whose leadership and strategic communication skills have been instrumental in shaping where we are today, including as a key member of the leadership team which created the new company, McGraw Hill Financial. We know that he will continue to make major contributions in public affairs in the future," said Mr. Peterson.

Ms. Geduldig is currently Managing Director, Global Government and Public Policy for McGraw Hill Financial, and was previously Vice President of Global Regulatory Affairs at Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, Chief Counsel and Head of Federal Government Relations at the Financial Services Forum, Chief Financial Counsel to U.S. Senator Bob Corker and Deputy Assistant Secretary for Banking and Finance at the U.S. Treasury Department.

In 2013 she co-authored the book *Where the Jobs Are: Entrepreneurship and the Soul of the American Economy* and has been widely interviewed regarding its proposals to stimulate job growth and remove impediments to new business growth in the United States.

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