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## **Barclays Temporarily Suspends Further Sales and Issuance of iPath® Dow Jones-UBS Platinum Subindex Total Return<sup>SM</sup> Exchange Traded Notes**

New York, NY (October 15, 2009) – Barclays Bank PLC announced today that it has temporarily suspended any further sales from inventory and any further issuances of iPath® Dow Jones-UBS Platinum Subindex Total Return<sup>SM</sup> Exchange Traded Notes (the “Notes”). The Notes trade on the NYSE Arca stock exchange under the ticker symbol “PGM”. This suspension may cause fluctuations in the trading value of such Notes. Daily redemptions at the option of the holders of the Notes will not be affected by this suspension. Barclays Bank PLC’s lending activities from inventory with respect to the Notes will also not be affected by this suspension.

As disclosed in the pricing supplement relating to the Notes under the heading “Risk Factors—The Market Value of Each Series of Securities May Be Influenced by Many Unpredictable Factors”, the market value of the Notes may be influenced by, among other things, the levels of supply and demand for the Notes. It is possible that the suspension, as described above, may influence the market value of the Notes. Barclays Bank PLC believes that the limitations on issuance and sale implemented may cause an imbalance of supply and demand in the secondary market for the Notes, which may cause the Notes to trade at a premium or discount in relation to their indicative value. Therefore, any purchase of the Notes in the secondary market may be at a purchase price significantly different from their indicative value.

In light of current market dynamics and ongoing regulatory review, the factors underlying the temporary suspension of the Notes may impact other commodity-linked iPath® ETNs in the future.

The pricing supplement relating to the Notes can be found on EDGAR, the SEC website at: [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov), as well as on the product website at [www.iPathETN.com](http://www.iPathETN.com).

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An investment in iPath ETNs involves risks, including possible loss of principal. For a description of the main risks see "Risk Factors" in the applicable prospectus.

Barclays Bank PLC has filed a registration statement (including a prospectus) with the SEC for the offering to which this communication relates. Before you invest, you should read the prospectus and other documents Barclays Bank PLC has filed with the SEC for more complete information about the issuer and this offering. You may get these documents for free by visiting [www.iPathETN.com](http://www.iPathETN.com) or EDGAR on the SEC website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Alternatively, Barclays Bank PLC will arrange for Barclays Capital Inc. to send you the prospectus if you request it by calling toll-free 1-877-76-iPATH, or you may request a copy from any other dealer participating in the offering.

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