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**State Securities Regulator Investigates Stanford Financial** 

(Anchorage, AK) March 13, 2009: The Alaska Division of Banking & Securities-Securities Section ("Division") is currently investigating the **Stanford Financial Group** along with three affiliated companies. Stanford's firms include Antigua-based Stanford International Bank and two based in Houston: broker-dealer Stanford Group Co. and investment adviser Stanford Capital Management.

The Division is requesting any Alaska investors who had financial dealings with any of these firms to contact the Division immediately as the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission has frozen the assets of these firms in a Federal Court filing alleging massive fraud.

If you have financial assets with these firms, you are urged to contact the Division at 550 West 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 1940, Anchorage, Alaska, 99501, or by calling George Humm, Securities Examiner, at 907-269-8140, or through email at George.Humm@alaska.gov, as soon as possible.

The Division of Securities is aware that several Alaska investors' names have shown up on lists publicized by the SEC as having invested with these firms. Please help in our investigation by contacting the Division immediately.

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