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CHAMBERS TO COLLECT ANNUAL RETURNS FROM COMPANIES

ISLAMABAD - NOVEMBER 13, 2007: In order to facilitate filing of annual statutory returns by registered companies, the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan (SECP) has provided the facility for collection of returns at the Chambers of Commerce and Industry in the cities of Rawalpindi, Sialkot, Gujrat, Gujranwala, and Hyderabad.

Previously, the companies having registered offices in these regions had to visit and submit the annual returns at the Commission's eight regional offices located at Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Multan, Faisalabad, Peshawar, Quetta and Sukkur.

All listed companies that have ended their annual accounts on June 30, 2007 are required to file their annual returns with the registrar by December 15, 2007 and for all other companies by November 30, 2007.

Representatives from the SECP will visit the Chambers of Commerce and Industry in the four cities on the closing dates of November 13, 14 and 30, 2007, and December 15, 2007. These officers will also provide the necessary guidance on corporate compliance responsibilities.

This initiative by the Commission has been undertaken to extend facilitation to companies in timely filing of returns and to accelerate the rate of corporate compliance in the country. Details and Forms (i.e., Forms A/B) can be downloaded from the SECP website, www.secp.gov.pk

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