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## Global Finance Names the Best Companies in Russia 2007

NEW YORK —*Global Finance* magazine has released its rankings of the “Best Companies in Russia” covering a range of sectors. The rankings will be published in an exclusive survey in the April 2007 issue. The winners will be honored at an awards ceremony in London on April 24th.

*Global Finance* editors – with input from industry analysts, corporate reports and other expert sources — selected the best companies on a variety of criteria, both objective and subjective. Factors considered included market share, profitability, evidence of long-term strategy, management

quality and commitment to improvement in corporate governance.

“Russian companies had a remarkable year in 2006,” says *Global Finance* publisher Joseph D. Giarraputo. “And there’s every evidence that may continue in 2007. While commodity prices’ strength clearly played a large part in the robustness of the Russian economy, it was the unmistakable signs of movement towards real corporate restructuring that was so heartening, particularly in relation to a growing commitment to good corporate governance.”

### Best Companies in Russia by Sector:

**Beverages** - Baltika

**Consumer** - Pharmacy Chain 36.6

**Gas** - Gazprom

**Media** - RBC

**Non-Ferrous Metals and Mining** - RusAl

**Oil** - Rosneft

**Steel** - NLMK

**Telecom** - Sistema Telecom

**Utilities** - RAO UES

*Global Finance*, which celebrates its 20th year of publishing in 2007, has 50,000 subscribers and more than 250,000 readers in over 158 countries. This audience includes chairmen, presidents, CEOs, CFOs, treasurers, and other financial officers responsible for making investments and strategic business decisions for large global companies and financial institutions. *Global Finance* also targets the 8,000 key portfolio investors who control over 80% of all assets under professional management.

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