



## **NERVOUS SAVERS IN CASH DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS SHOULD CONSIDER A MONEY MARKET FUND, SAYS FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL**

- **Spread your money across different financial institutions**
  - **6% rate of interest and easy access\***
- **Up to £48,000 covered by Financial Services Compensation Scheme**

**London 26 September 2007:** Savers who are nervous about entrusting their cash to a single financial institution and who still want a competitive rate of interest should consider a money market fund, says Fidelity International, manager of the UK's largest and most popular cash fund.

Money market funds offer similar security and rates of return to cash deposits – the Fidelity Cash Fund currently pays interest of 6% net of fees\* – and also allow savers to protect themselves against the risk of a single bank collapse or default by spreading their money across a range of financial institutions.

The manager of the Fidelity Cash Fund pursues the best rate of interest on the highest quality notes issued by banks and other financial institutions. The fund is managed in a treasury style with a AAA rating, the highest credit rating in the market, and unlike some other cash funds has no exposure to riskier investments such as US sub-prime paper.

Money market funds, like any other UK mutual fund, are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme\*\*. This provides a saver with a total maximum payout of 100% of the first £30,000 invested and then 90% of the next £20,000, should the company managing the client's investments go into default.

**Richard Wastcoat, UK managing director of Fidelity International,** says: "Savers who opt for a money market fund have effectively hired an expert investor to seek out constantly the best interest rates in the market on their behalf. And what you see is what you get: there are no introductory rates and no lock-ins.

"Money market funds should also appeal to those savers who have been unsettled by the credit crunch. These funds spread a saver's money across highly liquid cash-like



securities issued by a wide range of financial institutions and top companies and so provide some protection from the collapse or closure of a single financial house.”

How money market funds compare with deposit accounts:

	Money market fund	deposit account
Top rate of interest (for AAA-rated fund))	6%	6.1 – 6.4%
Dependent on a Single institution	No	Yes
Consumer protection	100% of first £30,000 90% of next £20,000	100% of £2,000 90% of next £33,000
Eligible for ISA	yes	yes
Ease of access to money	Following day*	on the day access
Maximum deposit	No maximum	Varies
Minimum deposit	£1000 (with £250 top up facility)	£1

**About the Fidelity Cash Fund**

The £407 million Fidelity Cash Fund, managed by Tim Foster, has an AAA-credit rating and currently offers a 6% rate of interest net of fees. Total annual expenses on the fund are 0.4%. It is a top quartile performer that over the past 5 years has delivered a cumulative net return of 17.24% against 7.05% from an index of 2,500 UK savings accounts\*\*\*.

Fidelity International Limited (“FIL”) and its subsidiary companies serve the major markets of the world by providing investment products and services to individuals and



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**Notes to editors:**

\* The interest paid on the Fidelity Cash fund changes every business day and unlike cash deposit accounts, there are no 'set' rates. Instead, the yield moves up or down in line with the interest earned on the deposits held in the fund, providing investors with their share of the current high interest rates being earned. Investors can withdraw their money without penalties or notice periods (access is on a T+1 basis).

\*\* The maximum compensation payable is for all investments held with the Management Company.

\*\*\* Source: Fidelity as at 31.08.07

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