



AIB completes sale of its stake in AIB/BNY

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Following on from the communication issued on 31st August, 2006, Allied Irish Banks p.l.c. ("AIB") [NYSE: AIB] announces that it has now completed the sale of its 50% stake in AIB/BNY Securities Services (Ireland) Ltd to The Bank of New York Company, Inc (BNY), having secured the required regulatory approvals.

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