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Numis Corporation Plc (“Numis”)

PRE-CLOSE PERIOD UPDATE

Numis Corporation Plc (“Numis”), the independent investment banking and stockbroking group serving high quality companies and institutions, today issued a trading update ahead of the close period relating to the half year ending 31 March 2006.

Expected Results for the Half Year Ended 31 March 2006

Following a sustained period of activity amongst its institutional and corporate clients, Numis now expects revenues and profits before tax for the half year to 31 March 2006 to be significantly ahead of its first half revenues and profits before tax for the same period last year.

End

31 March 2006

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Notes to Editors:

- Numis Securities Limited is an independent investment banking and stockbroking business. It is the trading subsidiary of Numis Corporation Plc, whose shares are quoted on the Alternative Investment Market of the London Stock Exchange.
- Numis provides a premium service to corporate and institutional clients across the full range of **Corporate Finance**, **Institutional Stockbroking**, **Market Making** and **Research** services. It aims to become the broker of choice for high quality mid and small cap companies.
- Numis provides analysis on more than 400 UK companies and has a strong and recognised capability in a broad range of sectors, including aerospace and defence, building and construction, engineering, food producers, financials and insurance, leisure, life sciences, media, mining, motor distributors, oil & gas, retail, support services and IT. Services are research driven and concentrate on UK market sectors where Numis has proven expertise.