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Enterprise Risk Management

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Project # 2: Company Risk Analysis
Final Report Due By the Beginning of Class, Tuesday, April 29, 2008

This project involves writing up a short, summary report analyzing the risk situation and risk management of an assigned company. This is a group project, with three students assigned to each company. One report must be submitted by each group, on behalf of the entire 3-person group; your group colleagues and assigned company are identified in an Excel spreadsheet e-mailed to you.

Specific requirements and guidelines regarding each group's paper:

- It must be no more than 3 double-spaced single-sided pages.
- It must be e-mailed to me (gorvett@uiuc.edu) as a file attachment (either Word or PDF) by the deadline shown above.
- It should include the following sections:
 - A brief *summary of the company* and its key business and operations.
 - A summary of the company's current *risk management activities*, according to its 2007 SEC 10-K filing.
 - A description of how, if at all, the company's current risk management activities *differ from those undertaken five years earlier*, per its 2002 SEC 10-K filing. To the extent the risk management activities have changed, try to identify why.
 - Your *concluding comments* regarding the *risks* faced by the company, and your opinion as to the *adequacy or appropriateness* of the company's risk management activities.

Your source of information should be SEC 10-K filings for the company. These are available at

<http://www.sec.gov/edgar/searchedgar/companysearch.html>

Enter the CIK number for your company in the appropriate field. This will provide a listing of all of the SEC filings in the SEC's EDGAR database for that company. (You can list just the 10-K filings by entering "10-K" in the "Form Type" field.)

Note that the 2007 10-K would have been filed in early 2008. Similarly, the 2002 10-K would have been filed in early 2003.

Your report will be graded on the basis of both content and clarity of presentation. You must use your own words when writing the report.