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Discovery Communications and Animal Planet's Puppy Bowl IX to Ring The NASDAQ Stock Market Opening Bell

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What:

Discovery Communications and Animal Planet's *Puppy Bowl IX,* airing on Sunday, February 3rd at 3:00PM (ET/PT), will visit the NASDAQ MarketSite in Times Square.

In honor of the occasion, Marjorie Kaplan, President and General Manager of Animal Planet will ring the Opening Bell with furry guests.

Where:

NASDAQ MarketSite — 4 Times Square — 43rd & Broadway — Broadcast Studio

When:

Thursday, January 31, 2013 - 9:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. ET

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Feed Information:

*As of January 7, 2013 the Ceremony feeds will be in HD 1080i.

Fiber Line (Encompass Waterfront): 4463

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Webcast:

A live webcast of the NASDAQ Opening Bell will be available at: http://www.nasdaq.com/about/marketsitetowervideo.asx.

Photos:

To obtain a hi-resolution photograph of the Market Open, please go to <u>http://www.nasdag.com/reference/marketsite_events.stm</u> and click on the market open of your choice.

About Discovery Communications:

Discovery Communications (Nasdaq:DISCA) (Nasdaq:DISCB) (Nasdaq:DISCK) is the world's #1 nonfiction media company reaching more than 1.7 billion cumulative subscribers in 209 countries and territories. Discovery is dedicated to satisfying curiosity through more than 147 worldwide television networks, led by Discovery Channel, TLC, Animal Planet, Science and Investigation Discovery, as well as US joint venture networks OWN: Oprah Winfrey Network, The Hub and 3net, the first 24-hour 3D network. Discovery also is a leading provider of educational products and services to schools and owns and operates a diversified portfolio of digital media services, including Revision3. For more information, please visit www.discoverycommunications.com.

About Animal Planet:

Animal Planet Media (APM), a multi-media business unit of Discovery Communications, is the world's only entertainment brand that immerses viewers in the full range of life in the animal kingdom with rich, deep content via multiple platforms and offers animal lovers and pet owners access to a centralized online, television and mobile community for immersive, engaging, high-quality entertainment, information and enrichment. APM consists of the Animal Planet television network, available in more than 96 million homes in the US; online assets <u>www.animalplanet.com</u>, the ultimate online destination for all things animal; the 24/7 broadband channel, Animal Planet Beyond; <u>Petfinder.com</u>, the #1 pet-related Web property globally that facilitates pet adoption; and other media platforms including a robust Video-on-Demand (VOD) service; mobile content; and merchandising extensions.

About Puppy Bowl IX:

PUPPY BOWL is back for its ninth consecutive year with an all-star, all-adorable cast that's itching to play in a winning combination of terrier tackles, canine touchdowns, puppy penalties and fido first downs. Featuring fan favorites including the water bowl cam, kiss cam and an aerial view of the field provided by a blimp and its hamster pilots, this year's big game marks the return of <u>@MeepTheBird</u> who will tweet all the latest updates and puppy drama from inside the stadium on game day. Furry puppy players in need of a cool down will bask in the crystal clear waters of a special puppy hot tub, and, in a game-day first, a lovable lineup of hedgehogs will occupy the sidelines of the grand gridiron and will cheer with delight for their favorite pups.

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