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Top 74 in FedExCup points secure spots in The Barclays, first event of PGA TOUR Playoffs

HARRISON, NY (July 31, 2007) — With just three weeks remaining in the PGA TOUR Regular Season, 74 players have guaranteed themselves a chance to become the first-ever FedExCup champion. Players ranked 1-74 in the current FedExCup points standings cannot be knocked out of the top 144, and therefore have qualified for The Barclays, the first of four tournaments in the PGA TOUR Playoffs for the FedExCup.

The Barclays, held at the Westchester Country Club in Harrison, NY from August 20-26, offers a \$7 million purse and will feature the top 144 players from the year-long FedExCup points standings on the PGA TOUR. The winner of The Barclays will take home \$1.26 million, and the top 120 players in the points standings after the tournament will advance to the next Playoff event in Boston.

Barclays has developed an innovative tool on its site, www.thebarclaysgolf.com, entitled “The Battle to The Barclays”, which will allow fans over the next three weeks to track their favorite PGA TOUR players. Golf fans can tally scores, compare players and assess which pros are most likely to appear at the tournament as players try to improve their position in the standings and seeding for the Playoffs and move into the top 144 to ultimately qualify for The Barclays.

Currently leading the FedExCup points standings is Tiger Woods, followed by The Barclays defending champion, Vijay Singh. Singh, the tournament’s all-time leading money winner with more than \$2.1 million, is the only three-time winner of The Barclays (1993, 1995 and 2006).

Jim Furyk (currently No. 3 in FedExCup points), Phil Mickelson (No. 4), K.J. Choi (No. 5), Zach Johnson (No. 6), Charles Howell III (No. 7), Rory Sabbatini (No. 8), Adam Scott (No. 9) and Steve Stricker (No. 10) are in the top 10.

Ian Poulter (currently No. 74 in FedExCup points) is the last player to have secured himself a spot in The Barclays field.

Woods, Singh and Furyk have locked-up top 15 seeds in the PGA TOUR Playoffs and Mickelson, Choi, Johnson and Howell clinched seeds in the top 30. The top 24 player in the current FedExCup points standings will be ranked no lower than the 70th seed to start the Playoffs.





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| Barclaycard International cards in issue: | 6.4m |
| Number of retailer/merchant relationships: | 93,000 |

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In 2007, the three Tours will compete in approximately 110 events for approximately \$340 million in prize money. Tournaments are being held in six countries outside the U.S. and in 36 states.

In addition to providing competitive opportunities for its membership, TOUR events also generate significant funds for local charities. In fact, the three Tours have surpassed the \$1 billion mark in overall charitable contributions. The PGA TOUR's web site address is www.pgatour.com and the company is headquartered in Ponte Vedra Beach, FL.

