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## LIGHTHOUSE BANK REPORTS FIRST OPERATING RESULTS

**SANTA CRUZ, CA: January 18, 2008**– Lighthouse Bank today announced operating results for the slightly greater than two month period of October 29, 2007 (inception) through December 31, 2007.

Highlights of the Bank's first reported financial results are:

- Total deposits \$ 9.0 million
- Total loans \$ 6.4 million
- Total assets \$ 26.8 million

Rick Hofstetter, President, commented that "the Bank is off to an extraordinary start. Lighthouse Bank completed a successful stock offering that raised over \$18 million dollars last summer, and the positive reception to the Bank by the community has been extremely gratifying."

## **ABOUT LIGHTHOUSE BANK:**

Lighthouse Bank is a locally owned and operated financial services company. The bank offers a full array of banking products and services with a dedication to providing superior personalized service to businesses, professionals, individuals, developers, and commercial property owners within Santa Cruz County. Lighthouse Bank's Board of Directors is comprised of Doug Austin,

John Burroughs (Chairman), Michael Dunn, Craig French, Richard Hofstetter, Bruce McPherson, Ritu Meister, Stephen Pahl, William Slakey, and James Weisenstein. Lighthouse Bank's common stock is listed on the Over the Counter (OTC) Bulletin Board under the stock symbol LGHT.OB. The Bank is located at 111 Mission Street in Downtown Santa Cruz, Ca. More information on the Bank may be obtained through its website: <a href="www.lighthousebank.net">www.lighthousebank.net</a> or by calling 600-4000.

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