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TREASURY OFFERS 5-YEAR NOTES AND 9-YEAR 11-MONTH 4 1/2% NOTES

The Treasury will auction \$13,000 million of 5-year notes and \$8,000 million of 9-year 11-month 4 1/2% notes to raise new cash.

Up to \$1,000 million in noncompetitive bids from Foreign and International Monetary Authority (FIMA) accounts bidding through the Federal Reserve Bank of New York will be included within the offering amount of each auction. These noncompetitive bids will have a limit of \$100 million per account and will be accepted in the order of smallest to largest, up to the aggregate award limit of \$1,000 million.

Treasury Direct customers have scheduled purchases of approximately \$22 million into the 5-year note and \$3 million into the 9-year 11-month note.

The auctions being announced today will be conducted in the single-price auction format. All competitive and noncompetitive awards will be at the highest yield of accepted competitive tenders. The allocation percentage applied to bids awarded at the highest yield will be rounded up to the next hundredth of a whole percentage point, e.g., 17.13%.

The notes being offered today are eligible for the STRIPS program.

This offering of Treasury securities is governed by the terms and conditions set forth in the Uniform Offering Circular for the Sale and Issue of Marketable Book-Entry Treasury Bills, Notes, and Bonds (31 CFR Part 356, as amended).

Details about the notes are given in the attached offering highlights.

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Attachment

HIGHLIGHTS OF TREASURY OFFERINGS TO THE PUBLIC OF 5-YEAR NOTES AND 9-YEAR 11-MONTH 4 1/2% NOTES TO BE ISSUED DECEMBER 15, 2005

	December 5, 2005
Offering Amount	\$8,000 million
Maximum Award (35% of Offering Amount)\$ 4,550 million	\$2,800 million
Maximum Recognized Bid at a Single Yield\$ 4,550 million	\$2,800 million
NLP Reporting Threshold\$ 4,550 million	\$2,800 million
NLP Exclusion Amount	\$4,600 million
Description of Offering:	
Term and type of security	9-year 11-month 4 1/2% notes
Term and type of security	(reopening)
Series	(1eopening) F-2015
CUSIP number	912828 EN 6
Auction date	December 8, 2005
Issue dateDecember 15, 2005	-
Dated dateDecember 15, 2005	December 15, 2005
Maturity date	November 15, 2005
-	November 15, 2015
Interest rate	4 1/2%
accepted competitive bid	
Amount currently outstandingNot applicable	\$15,221 million
YieldDetermined at auction	Determined at auction
Interest payment datesJune 15 and December 15	May 15 and November 15
Minimum bid amount and multiples\$1,000	\$1,000
Accrued interest payable by investorNone	\$3.72928 per \$1,000 (from
	November 15 to Dec. 15, 2005)
Premium or discount	Determined at auction
STRIPS Information:	
Minimum amount required\$1,000	\$1,000
Corpus CUSIP number	912820 MK 0
Due date(s) and CUSIP number(s)	
for additional TINT(s)December 15, 2010 - 912833 4L 1	Not applicable
The following rules apply to all securities mentioned above:	
Submission of Bids:	
Noncompetitive bids:	
Accepted in full up to \$5 million at the highest accepted yield.	
Foreign and International Monetary Authority (FIMA) bids:	
Noncompetitive bids submitted through the Federal Reserve Banks as agents	s for FIMA accounts. Accepted
in order of size from smallest to largest with no more than \$100 million	awarded per account. The total
noncompetitive amount awarded to Federal Reserve Banks as agents for FIM2	A accounts will not exceed
\$1,000 million. A single bid that would cause the limit to be exceeded w	will be partially accepted in
the amount that brings the aggregate award total to the \$1,000 million 1:	imit. However, if there are two
or more bids of equal amounts that would cause the limit to be exceeded,	each will be prorated to avoid
exceeding the limit.	
Competitive bids:	
(1) Must be expressed as a yield with three decimals, e.g., 7.123%.	
(2) Net long position (NLP) for each bidder must be reported when the sum	of the total bid amount,
at all yields, and the net long position equals or exceeds the NLP re	porting threshold stated
above.	
(3) Net long position must be determined as of one-half hour prior to the	closing time for receipt
of competitive tenders.	

(4) Competitive bids from Treasury Direct customers are not allowed.

Receipt of Tenders:

## Noncompetitive tenders

Prior to 12:00 noon eastern standard time on auction day

## Competitive tenders

Prior to 1:00 p.m. eastern standard time on auction day