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TREASURY OFFERS 13-WEEK, 26-WEEK, AND 52-WEEK BILLS

The Treasury will auction three series of Treasury bills totaling approximately \$27,000 million to refund \$27,298 million of publicly held securities maturing March 2, 2000, and to pay down about \$298 million.

In addition to the public holdings, Federal Reserve Banks for their own accounts hold \$13,185 million of the maturing bills, which may be refunded at the highest discount rate of accepted competitive tenders. Amounts issued to these accounts will be in addition to the offering amount.

The maturing bills held by the public include \$6,345 million held by Federal Reserve Banks as agents for foreign and international monetary authorities. Up to \$3,000 million of these securities may be refunded within the offering amount in each of the auctions of 13- and 26-week bills at the highest discount rate of accepted competitive tenders. Additional amounts may be issued in each auction for such accounts to the extent that the amount of new bids exceeds \$3,000 million.

Of the \$6,345 million maturing bills held by foreign and international monetary authorities, \$1,612 million is considered to be held in the original 52-week issue; additional amounts may be issued in the 52-week bill auction for such accounts to the extent that the amount of new bids exceeds that amount.

TreasuryDirect customers requested that we reinvest their maturing holdings of approximately \$937 million into the 13-week bill, \$716 million into the 26-week bill, and \$591 million into the 52-week bill.

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 each of the new securities are given in the attached offering highlights.

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Attachment

HIGHLIGHTS OF TREASURY OFFERINGS OF BILLS TO BE ISSUED MARCH 2, 2000

February 24, 2000

Offering Amount \$9,000 million	\$8,000 million	\$10,000 million
Description of Offering:		
Term and type of security 91-day bill	182-day bill	364-day bill
CUSIP number 912795 DY 4	912795 EY 3	912795 FV 8
Auction date February 28, 2000	February 28, 2000	February 29, 2000
Issue date March 2, 2000	March 2, 2000	March 2, 2000
Maturity date June 1, 2000	August 31, 2000	March 1, 2001
Original issue date December 2, 1999	March 2, 2000	March 2, 2000
Currently outstanding \$12,377 million		
Minimum bid amount and multiples \$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000

The following rules apply to all securities mentioned above:

Submission of Bids:

Noncompetitive bids.....Accepted in full up to \$1,000,000 at the highest discount rate of accepted competitive bids.

Competitive bids...... (1) Must be expressed as a discount rate with three decimals in increments of .005%, e.g., 7.100%, 7.105%.

- (2) Net long position for each bidder must be reported when the sum of the total bid amount, at all discount rates, and the net long position is \$1 billion or greater.
- (3) Net long position must be determined as of one half-hour prior to the closing time for receipt of competitive tenders.

Maximum Recognized Bid

at a Single Rate..... 35% of public offering

Maximum Award...... 35% of public offering

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

Payment Terms......By charge to a funds account at a Federal Reserve Bank on issue date, or payment of full par amount with tender. TreasuryDirect customers can use the Pay Direct feature which authorizes a charge to their account of record at their financial institution on issue date.