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TREASURY OFFERS 2-YEAR NOTES

The Treasury will auction \$22,000 million of 2-year notes to refund \$25,605 million of publicly held notes maturing January 31, 2006, and to pay down approximately \$3,605 million.

The Federal Reserve System holds \$6,928 million of the Treasury notes maturing on January 31, 2006, in the System Open Market Account (SOMA). This amount may be refunded at the highest yield of accepted competitive tenders either in this auction or the 20-year Treasury inflation-protected securities (TIPS) auction to be held January 24, 2006. The 20-year TIPS will be issued on January 31, 2006. Amounts awarded to SOMA will be in addition to the offering amount.

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 the 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 \$594 million into the 2-year note.

The auction 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 new security are given in the attached offering highlights.

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Attachment

HIGHLIGHTS OF TREASURY OFFERING TO THE PUBLIC OF
2-YEAR NOTES TO BE ISSUED JANUARY 31, 2006

January 23, 2006

<u>Offering Amount</u>	\$22,000 million
<u>Maximum Award (35% of Offering Amount)</u>	\$ 7,700 million
<u>Maximum Recognized Bid at a Single Yield</u>	\$ 7,700 million
<u>NLP Reporting Threshold</u>	\$ 7,700 million

Description of Offering:

Term and type of security	2-year notes
Series	R-2008
CUSIP number	912828 EU 0
Auction date	January 25, 2006
Issue date	January 31, 2006
Dated date	January 31, 2006
Maturity date	January 31, 2008
Interest rate	Determined based on the highest accepted competitive bid
Yield	Determined at auction
Interest payment dates	July 31 and January 31
Minimum bid amount and multiples	\$1,000
Accrued interest payable by investor	None
Premium or discount	Determined at auction

STRIPS Information:

Minimum amount required	\$1,000
Corpus CUSIP number	912820 MR 5
Due date(s) and CUSIP number(s) for additional TINT(s)	January 31, 2008 - - 912833 4R 8

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 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 FIMA accounts will not exceed \$1,000 million. A single bid that would cause the limit to be exceeded will be partially accepted in the amount that brings the aggregate award total to the \$1,000 million limit. 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 reporting 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