

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Before the
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Release No. 54637 / October 20, 2006

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING
FILE NO. 3-11780

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In the Matter of	:	
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Edward D. Jones & Co.,	:	ORDER DIRECTING DISTRIBUTION OF
L.P.,	:	FAIR FUND AND EXTENDING THE
	:	DATE FOR DISTRIBUTION
Respondent.	:	
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On April 17, 2006, the Commission published a notice of the proposed Fair Fund Distribution Plan ("Distribution Plan") in this proceeding (Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") Release No. 53660). The Distribution Plan proposed that the \$75 million in disgorgement, prejudgment interest and civil penalties paid by Edward D. Jones & Co., L.P. ("Edward Jones") in this matter be distributed to current and former customers of Edward Jones who purchased shares of seven Preferred Mutual Fund Families between January 1, 1999 and December 31, 2004. Of the \$75 million paid by Edward Jones, \$500,000 constitutes prejudgment interest.

On June 1, 2006, the Commission approved the Distribution Plan and the appointment of James R. Doty, Esq. of the law firm of Baker Botts L.L.P. as the Fund Administrator to administer the Distribution Plan (Exchange Act Release No. 53918). Edward Jones, on behalf of the Fund Administrator, has represented to the staff that it employed reasonable efforts to determine the complete list of customers eligible for a share of the Fair Fund according to the methodology described in the Distribution Plan. Prior to the initial distribution under the Distribution Plan, the Fund Administrator will submit a validated list to the Commission's staff setting forth the names of and the amounts to be distributed to all persons receiving payments under the Distribution Plan. The Fund Administrator now seeks an order of the Commission authorizing distribution to eligible customers in accordance with the terms of the Distribution Plan. The total amount to be distributed will be \$77,924,565, which includes the principal and interest accumulated as of September 21, 2006, unless the distribution does not occur by January 19, 2007, in which case the total amount to be distributed will include additional interest that has accumulated since September 21, 2006.

The Fund Administrator also seeks an order of the Commission extending the date for distribution of funds to 45 days following receipt of a ruling by the Internal Revenue Service on the information reporting obligations of the Fair Fund.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Fund Administrator shall distribute the Fair Fund in accordance with the terms of the Distribution Plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all distributions to Eligible Customers under the Distribution Plan shall be made no later than 45 days following the receipt of a ruling by the Internal Revenue Service regarding the information reporting obligations of the Fair Fund.

By the Commission.

Nancy M. Morris
Secretary