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TREASURY TO AUCTION \$10,000 MILLION OF 2-YEAR NOTES

The Treasury will auction \$10,000 million of 2-year notes to refund \$27,402 million of publicly held securities maturing December 31, 2000, and to pay down about \$17,402 million.

In addition to the public holdings, Federal Reserve Banks hold \$4,894 million of the maturing securities for their own accounts, which may be refunded by issuing an additional amount of the new security.

The maturing securities held by the public include \$5,803 million held by Federal Reserve Banks as agents for foreign and international monetary authorities. Amounts bid for these accounts by Federal Reserve Banks will be added to the offering.

TreasuryDirect customers requested that we reinvest their maturing holdings of approximately \$588 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 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 2, 2001

December 20, 2000

Offering Amount\$10,000 million
Description of Offering: Term and type of security
Issue dateJanuary 2, 2001
Dated date December 31, 2000
Maturity date December 31, 2002
Interest rate Determined based on the highest
accepted competitive bid
YieldDetermined at auction
Interest payment datesJune 30 and December 31
Minimum bid amount and multiples\$1,000
Accrued interest payable by investor Determined at auction
Premium or discount Determined at auction
STRIPS Information: Minimum amount required

Submission of Bids:

Noncompetitive bids:

Accepted in full up to \$5,000,000 at the highest accepted yield. Competitive bids:

- (1) Must be expressed as a yield with three decimals, e.g., 7.123%.
- (2) Net long position for each bidder must be reported when the sum of the total bid amount, at all yields, and the net long position is \$2 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.

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.

<u>Payment Terms</u>: 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.