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CUSIP Number	Principal Amount	Selling Price	Gross Concession	Net Proceeds	Coupon Type	Coupon Rate	Coupon Frequency	Day Count Basis	Maturity Date	1st Coupon Date	1st Coupon Amount	Survivor s Option	FDIC Guarante
96121BAM9	\$ 100.000%		1.250%	\$	Fixed	2.300%	Monthly	30/360	09/15/2016	10/15/2011	\$1.92	Yes	No

Redemption Information: Non-Callable

Trade Date: Monday, September 12, 2011 @ 12:00 PM ET

Settle Date: Thursday, September 15, 2011

Minimum Denomination/Increments:\$1,000.00/\$1,000.00

Initial trades settle flat and clear SDFS: DTC Book Entry only

Joint Lead Managers and Lead Agents: BofA Merrill Lynch, Incapital LLC **Agents:** Citigroup Global Markets Inc.,

Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., HSBC Securities (USA) Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner

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