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TREASURY ANNOUNCES DEBT BUYBACK OPERATION

On December 7, 2000, the Treasury will buy back up to \$1,250 million par of its outstanding issues that mature between February 2015 and February 2019. Treasury reserves the right to accept less than the announced amount.

This debt buyback (redemption) operation will be conducted by Treasury's Fiscal Agent, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, using its Open Market operations system. Only institutions that the Federal Reserve Bank of New York has approved to conduct Open Market transactions may submit offers on behalf of themselves and their customers. Offers at the highest accepted price for a particular issue may be accepted on a prorated basis, rounded up to the next \$100,000. As a result of this rounding, the Treasury may buy back an amount slightly larger than the one announced above.

This debt buyback operation is governed by the terms and conditions set forth in 31 CFR Part 375 and this announcement.

The debt buyback operation regulations are available on the Bureau of the Public Debt's website at www.publicdebt.treas.gov.

Details about the operation and each of the eligible issues are given in the attached highlights.

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Attachment

HIGHLIGHTS OF TREASURY DEBT BUYBACK OPERATION

December 6, 2000

Par amount to be bought back .. Up to \$1,250 million
 Operation date December 7, 2000
 Operation close time 11:00 a.m. eastern standard time
 Settlement date December 11, 2000
 Minimum par offer amount \$100,000
 Multiples of par \$100,000
 Format for offers Expressed in terms of price per \$100 of par with
 three decimals. The first two decimals represent
 fractional 32^{nds} of a dollar. The third decimal
 represents eighths of a 32nd of a dollar, and must
 be a 0, 2, 4, or 6.
 Delivery instructions ABA Number 021001208 FRB NYC/CUST

Treasury issues eligible for debt buyback operation (in millions):

| Coupon Rate (%) | Maturity Date | CUSIP Number | Par Amount Outstanding* | Par Amount Privately Held* | Par Amount Held as STRIPS** |
|-----------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 11.250 | 02/15/2015 | 912810 DP 0 | 11,804 | 9,958 | 5,583 |
| 10.625 | 08/15/2015 | 912810 DS 4 | 5,441 | 4,274 | 1,578 |
| 9.875 | 11/15/2015 | 912810 DT 2 | 5,926 | 4,919 | 2,656 |
| 9.250 | 02/15/2016 | 912810 DV 7 | 6,813 | 5,776 | 606 |
| 7.250 | 05/15/2016 | 912810 DW 5 | 18,824 | 17,724 | 702 |
| 7.500 | 11/15/2016 | 912810 DX 3 | 18,824 | 17,199 | 1,288 |
| 8.750 | 05/15/2017 | 912810 DY 1 | 16,967 | 14,212 | 5,852 |
| 8.875 | 08/15/2017 | 912810 DZ 8 | 13,132 | 11,074 | 2,642 |
| 9.125 | 05/15/2018 | 912810 EA 2 | 7,616 | 6,377 | 4,214 |
| 9.000 | 11/15/2018 | 912810 EB 0 | 7,689 | 6,921 | 4,662 |
| 8.875 | 02/15/2019 | 912810 EC 8 | 17,061 | 14,906 | 5,946 |
| Total | | | 130,097 | 113,340 | 35,729 |

* Par amounts are as of December 5, 2000.

** Par amounts are as of December 4, 2000.

The difference between the par amount outstanding and the par amount privately held is the par amount of those issues held by the Federal Reserve System.