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Pricing Supplement No. 1

(To Prospectus dated January 25, 2006 and Prospectus Supplement dated March 20, 2007)

UDR, Inc. \$150,000,000 Medium-Term Notes, Series A Due Nine Months or More From Date of Issue

The notes will bear interest at a rate of 5.50% per year. We will pay interest on the notes on April 1 and October 1 of each year. The first interest payment will be made on October 1, 2007. The notes will mature on April 1, 2014, unless redeemed prior to that date.

The notes will be our senior indebtedness under our senior indenture dated November 1, 1995, which we refer to as the indenture. The notes will not be subject to a sinking fund and will not be convertible or exchangeable into other securities.

Investing in the notes involves risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page S-1 of the accompanying prospectus supplement dated March 20, 2007 and on page 3 of the accompanying prospectus dated January 25, 2006.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any pricing supplement. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	Per Note	Total
Public offering price	99.655%	\$ 149,482,500
Underwriting discount	0.600%	\$ 900,000
Proceeds to us (before expenses)	99.055%	\$ 148,582,500

Interest will accrue from March 27, 2007.

Citigroup Global Markets Inc. expects to deliver the notes in book-entry form only through the facilities of The Depositary Trust Company against payment in New York, New York on or about March 27, 2007.

Book-Running Manager
Citigroup

Co-Managers

SunTrust Robinson Humphrey
Wells Fargo Securities
March 20, 2007

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this pricing supplement and the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus. Neither we nor any agent has authorized any other person to provide you with different or additional information. If anyone provides you with different or additional information, you should not rely on it. Neither we nor the agents are making an offer to sell the notes in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and prospectus relating to any issuance of notes, is accurate only as of the date on the front cover of the applicable document. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date. References in this prospectus supplement to UDR, we, us, our or the company are to UDR, Inc. TABLE OF CONTENTS

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UDR. INC.

UDR, Inc. is a self administered real estate investment trust, or REIT, that owns, acquires, renovates, develops and manages apartment communities nationwide. At December 31, 2006, our apartment portfolio included 242 communities located in 33 markets, with a total of 70,339 completed apartment homes. In addition, we had five apartment communities under development. We changed our corporate name from United Dominion Realty Trust, Inc. to UDR, Inc. on March 14, 2007. References in this pricing supplement, the accompanying prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus to UDR, United Dominion Realty Trust, Inc., United Dominion, Company, we, us or our shall be deemed to refer to UDR, Inc.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

The net proceeds from the sale of the notes are estimated to be approximately \$148.3 million after deducting the underwriting discount and estimated offering expenses. We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering to repay outstanding indebtedness under our \$500 million unsecured revolving credit facility or for other general corporate purposes. Our \$500 million unsecured revolving credit facility matures in May 2008 and, at our option, can be extended an additional year. We have the right to increase the credit facility to \$750 million under certain circumstances. Based on our current credit ratings, the credit facility bears interest at a rate equal to LIBOR plus 57.5 basis points. Under a competitive bid feature, and for so long as we maintain an Investment Grade Rating, we have the right to bid out 100% of the commitment amount. As of March 19, 2007, \$233.5 million was outstanding under the credit facility leaving \$266.5 million of unused capacity. Amounts repaid under the unsecured credit facilities may be reborrowed.

DESCRIPTION OF NOTES

The following description of the terms of the Medium-Term Notes, Series A Due Nine Months or More from Date of Issue, referred to in this pricing supplement as the notes, supplements, and to the extent inconsistent replaces, the description of the general terms and provisions of debt securities contained in the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus. It is important for you to consider the information contained in this pricing supplement and the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus in making your investment decision.

General

We will issue the notes as a series of Debt Securities under an indenture, referred to in this pricing supplement as the indenture, dated as of November 1, 1995, as amended or modified from time to time, with U.S. Bank National Association, successor trustee to Wachovia Bank, National Association (formerly First Union National Bank of Virginia), as trustee. The terms of the notes include those provisions contained in the indenture, the terms of which are more fully described in the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus and under the section entitled

Covenants below, and those made part of the indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939. The notes are subject to all of these terms, and holders of notes are referred to the indenture and the Trust Indenture Act for a statement of those terms. The notes will be our direct, senior unsecured obligations and will rank equally with all of our other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness from time to time outstanding. Reference is made to the section entitled Description of Debt Securities in the accompanying prospectus, Description of Notes Certain Covenants in the accompanying prospectus supplement and to Covenants below for a description of the covenants applicable to the notes. We will issue each note as a book-entry note represented by one or more fully registered global securities or as a fully registered certificated note. The notes will only be issued in fully registered form in denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000.

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Principal and Interest

The notes will bear interest at the rate of 5.50% per year and will mature on April 1, 2014. The notes will bear interest from March 27, 2007 and interest will be payable semi-annually in arrears on April 1 and October 1 of each year, commencing on October 1, 2007 (each such date being an interest payment date) to the persons in whose name the notes are registered in the security register on the preceding March 17 or September 16, whether or not a business day, as the case may be (each such date being a record date). Interest on the notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

If any interest payment date or the maturity date falls on a day that is not a business day, the required payment shall be made on the next business day as if it were made on the date the payment was due and no interest shall accrue on the amount so payable for the period from and after the interest payment date or the maturity date, as the case may be, until the next business day.

Covenants

The section in the accompanying prospectus entitled Description of Debt Securities and the section in the accompanying prospectus supplement entitled Description of Notes Certain Covenants describe promises we make in the notes for the benefit of the holders of the notes. However, the covenant limiting UDR, Inc. s incurrence of debt set forth in Section 1004(a) of the indenture, which is described under the heading Description of Debt Securities Covenants Under the Senior Indenture, shall not apply to the notes offered under this prospectus supplement. Instead, the following covenant shall apply to the notes, as discussed in more detail under the heading Certain Covenants in the accompanying prospectus supplement (capitalized terms not otherwise defined shall have the respective meanings assigned to them in the indenture):

The Trust will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, incur any Debt if, immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such additional Debt and the application of the proceeds thereof, the aggregate principal amount of all outstanding Debt of the Trust and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis determined in accordance with GAAP is greater than 65% of the sum of (without duplication) (i) the Trust s Total Assets as of the end of the calendar quarter covered in the Trust s Annual Report on Form 10-K or Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, as the case may be, most recently filed with the Commission (or, if such filing is not permitted under the Exchange Act, with the Trustee) prior to the incurrence of such additional Debt and (ii) the purchase price of any real estate assets or mortgages receivable acquired, and the amount of any securities offering proceeds received (to the extent such proceeds were not used to acquire real estate assets or mortgages receivable or used to reduce Debt), by the Trust or any Subsidiary since the end of such calendar quarter, including those proceeds obtained in connection with the incurrence of such additional Debt.

Optional Redemption

We may redeem all or part of the notes at any time at our option at a redemption price equal to the greater of (1) the principal amount of the notes being redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date or (2) the Make-Whole Amount for the notes being redeemed.

Make-Whole Amount means, as determined by the Quotation Agent, the sum of the present values of the principal amount of the notes to be redeemed, together with the scheduled payments of interest (exclusive of interest to the redemption date) from the redemption date to the maturity date of the notes being redeemed, in each case discounted to the redemption date on a semi-annual basis, assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months, at the Adjusted Treasury Rate, plus accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount of the notes being redeemed to the redemption date.

Adjusted Treasury Rate means, with respect to any redemption date, the sum of (x) either (1) the yield for the maturity corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue, under the heading that represents the average for the immediately preceding week, appearing in the most recent published statistical release

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designated H.15 (519) or any successor publication that is published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and that establishes yields on actively traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity under the caption Treasury Constant Maturities (provided, if no maturity is within three months before or after the remaining term of the notes being redeemed, yields for the two published maturities most closely corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue shall be determined and the Adjusted Treasury Rate shall be interpolated or extrapolated from such yields on a straight line basis, rounded to the nearest month) or (2) if such release (or any successor release) is not published during the week preceding the calculation date or does not contain such yields, the rate per year equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated using a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such redemption date, in each case calculated on the third business day preceding the redemption date, and (y) 0.15%.

Comparable Treasury Issue means the United States Treasury security selected by the Quotation Agent as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term from the redemption date to the maturity date of the notes being redeemed that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of the notes being redeemed.

Comparable Treasury Price means, with respect to any redemption date, (x) the average of three Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such redemption date, after excluding the highest and lowest Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations so obtained or (y) if fewer than five Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations are so obtained, the average of all such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations so obtained.

Quotation Agent means the Reference Treasury Dealer selected by the indenture trustee after consultation with UDR. Inc.

Reference Treasury Dealer means any of J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co, their respective successors and assigns and three other nationally recognized investment banking firms selected by UDR, Inc. that is a primary U.S. Government securities dealer.

Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any redemption date, the average, as determined by the indenture trustee, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the indenture trustee by such Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third business day preceding such redemption date.

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Citigroup Global Markets Inc. is acting as book-running manager in connection with the offering of the notes and is acting as representative of the underwriters named below. Subject to the terms and conditions stated in the distribution agreement dated March 20, 2007, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., SunTrust Capital Markets, Inc. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC have agreed to purchase, and we have agreed to sell to those underwriters, the principal amount of notes set forth opposite such underwriters name.

Underwriter Principal Amount of Notes

Citigroup Global Markets Inc. \$120,000,000

SunTrust Capital Markets, Inc.15,000,000Wells Fargo Securities, LLC15,000,000

Total \$150,000,000

The distribution agreement provides that the obligations of the underwriters to purchase the notes included in this offering are subject to approval of legal matters by counsel and to other conditions. The underwriters are obligated to purchase all the notes if they purchase any of the notes.

The underwriters propose to offer some of the notes directly to the public at the public offering price set forth on the cover page of this prospectus supplement and some of the notes to dealers at the public offering price less a concession not to exceed 0.360% of the principal amount of the notes. The underwriters may allow, and dealers may reallow, a concession not to exceed 0.180% of the principal amount of the notes on sales to other dealers. After the initial offering of the notes to the public, the representatives may change the public offering price and concessions.

The following table shows the underwriting discount that we are to pay to the underwriters in connection with this offering (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount of the notes).

Paid by UDR, Inc.

Per note 0.600%

UDR, Inc. expects that delivery of the notes will be made against payment therefor on or about the closing date specified on the cover page of this pricing supplement, which will be the fifth business day following the date on which the notes are priced (T+5). Under Rule 15c6-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in three business days after the date the securities are priced, unless the parties to any such trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade notes on the date of the pricing or the next succeeding business day will be required, by virtue of the fact that the notes will settle in T+5, to specify an alternative settlement cycle at the time of any such trade to prevent a failed settlement; such purchasers should also consult their own advisors in this regard.

In connection with the offering, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., on behalf of the underwriters, may purchase and sell notes in the open market. These transactions may include over-allotment, syndicate covering transactions and stabilizing transactions. Over-allotment involves syndicate sales of notes in excess of the principal amount of notes to be purchased by the underwriters in the offering, which creates a syndicate short position. Syndicate covering transactions involve purchases of the notes in the open market after the distribution has been completed in order to cover syndicate short positions. Stabilizing transactions consist of certain bids or purchases of notes made for the purpose of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the notes while the offering is in progress.

The underwriters also may impose a penalty bid. Penalty bids permit the underwriters to reclaim a selling concession from a syndicate member when Citigroup Global Markets Inc., in covering syndicate short positions or

making stabilizing purchases, repurchases notes originally sold by that syndicate member.

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Any of these activities may have the effect of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the notes. They may also cause the price of the notes to be higher than the price that otherwise would exist in the open market in the absence of these transactions. The underwriters may conduct these transactions in the over-the-counter market or otherwise. If the underwriters commence any of these transactions, they may discontinue them at any time.

We estimate that our total expenses for this offering will be approximately \$250,000. Several of the underwriters or affiliates have performed investment banking and advisory services for us from time to time for which they have received customary fees and expenses. The underwriters and their affiliates may, from time to time, engage in commercial or investment banking or advisory services with and perform services for us and certain of our affiliates in the ordinary course of their business. In addition, affiliates of underwriters participating in this offering are lenders under one or both of our existing credit facilities. Because the amounts to be repaid to these affiliates from the net proceeds of the offering of the notes may exceed 10% of the net proceeds from the offering, this offering is being conducted in compliance with Rule 2710(c)(8) of the Conduct Rules of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.

We have agreed to indemnify the underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, or to contribute to payments the underwriters may be required to make because of any of those liabilities.

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Prospectus Supplement

(To Prospectus dated January 25, 2006)

UDR, Inc.

Medium-Term Notes, Series A

Due Nine Months or More from Date of Issue

The following terms will generally apply to the medium-term notes that we will sell from time to time using this prospectus supplement and the attached prospectus.

Ranking as senior indebtedness under the company s senior indenture

Mature nine months or more from the date of issue

May be subject to redemption at our option or repurchase at the option of the holder

Fixed or floating interest rate. The floating interest rate formula may be based on:

CD rate

CMT rate

Commercial paper rate

Eleventh district cost of funds rate

Federal funds rate

LIBOR

Prime rate

Treasury rate

Another rate or formula set forth in a pricing supplement

Fixed rate notes may bear no interest when issued at a discount from the principal amount due at maturity Certificated or book-entry form

Payments in U.S. dollars or one or more foreign currencies

Interest paid on fixed rate notes and floating rate notes will be paid on the dates specified in the pricing supplement Minimum denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000, or other specified denominations for foreign currencies

The final terms of each note will be specified in a pricing supplement which may be different from the terms described in this prospectus supplement.

Investing in the notes involves risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page S-1 of this prospectus supplement and on page 3 of the accompanying prospectus.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any pricing supplement. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, the pricing terms of the notes will be:

	Price to Public	Agents Commission	Proceeds to Us
Per note	100%	.125%750%	99.875% - 99.250%

We may sell notes to the agents referred to below as principal for resale at varying or fixed offering prices or through the agents as agent using their reasonable efforts on our behalf. We may also sell notes without the assistance of any agent.

JPMorgan

Banc of America Securities LLC Citigroup

Goldman, Sachs & Co.

KeyBanc Capital Markets

Morgan Stanley

SunTrust Robinson Humphrey

Wachovia Securities

Wells Fargo Securities

March 20, 2007

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This document, including the documents incorporated by reference in this document, contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements, by their nature, involve estimates, projections, goals, forecasts, assumptions, risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results or outcomes to differ materially from those expressed in a forward-looking statement. Such forward-looking statements include, without limitation, statements concerning property acquisitions and dispositions, development activity and capital expenditures, capital raising activities, rent growth, occupancy and rental expense growth. Examples of forward-looking statements also include statements regarding our expectations, beliefs, plans, goals, objectives and future financial or other performance. Words such as expects, anticipates. intends. plans. estimates and variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which it is made. Except to fulfill our obligations under the United States securities laws, we undertake no obligation to update any such statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which it is made. Examples of factors that can affect our expectations, beliefs, plans, goals, objectives and future financial or other performance include, but are not limited to, the following:

unfavorable changes in apartment market and economic conditions that could adversely affect occupancy levels and rental rates,

the failure of acquisitions to achieve anticipated results,

possible difficulty in selling apartment communities,

the timing and closing of planned dispositions under agreement,

competitive factors that may limit our ability to lease apartment homes or increase or maintain rents,

insufficient cash flow that could affect our debt financing and create refinancing risk,

failure to generate sufficient revenue, which could impair our debt service payments and reduce distributions to stockholders,

development and construction risks that may impact our profitability,

potential damage from natural disasters, including hurricanes and other weather-related events, which could result in substantial costs to us,

risks from extraordinary losses for which we may not have insurance or adequate reserves,

uninsured losses due to insurance deductibles, self-insurance retention, uninsured claims or casualties, or losses in excess of applicable coverage,

delays in completing developments and lease-ups on schedule,

our failure to succeed in new markets,

changing interest rates, which could increase interest costs and affect the market price of our securities,

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potential liability for environmental contamination, which could result in substantial costs to us,

the imposition of federal taxes if we fail to qualify as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code in any taxable year,

our internal control over financial reporting may not be considered effective which could result in a loss of investor confidence in our financial reports, and in turn have an adverse effect on our stock price, and

changes in real estate laws, tax laws and other laws affecting our business.

All of the above factors are difficult to predict, contain uncertainties that may materially affect actual results, and may be beyond our control. New factors emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for our management to predict all of such factors or to assess the effect of each such factor on our business.

Although we believe that the assumptions underlying the forward-looking statements contained herein are reasonable, any of the assumptions could be inaccurate, and therefore any of these statements included in this document or in the documents incorporated by reference may prove to be inaccurate. In light of the significant uncertainties inherent in the forward-looking statements included herein, the inclusion of such information should not be regarded as a representation by us or any other person that the results or conditions described in such statements or our objectives and plans will be achieved.

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RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Effective March 14, 2007, we changed our corporate name from United Dominion Realty Trust, Inc. to UDR, Inc. References in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, and in any documents incorporated by reference therein, to United Dominion Realty Trust, Inc., United Dominion, the Company, we, us or our shall be deemed to refer to UDR, Inc.

RISK FACTORS

Investing in the notes involves risks. Before investing in the notes, you should carefully consider, among other matters, the risk factors below and information set forth under the heading Risk Factors in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, which are incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, as the same may be updated from time to time by filings under the Exchange Act that we incorporate by reference herein.

Notes Indexed to Interest Rate, Currency or Other Indices or Formulas May Have Risks Not Associated with a Conventional Debt Security

If you invest in notes indexed, as to principal, premium, if any, and/or interest, if any, to one or more interest rate, currency or other indices or formulas, you will be subject to significant risks not associated with similar investments in a conventional fixed rate or floating rate debt security. These risks include, without limitation, fluctuation of the particular indices or formulas and the possibility that you will receive a lower, or no, amount of principal, premium or interest and at different times than you expected. We have no control over a number of factors, including economic, financial and political events, that are important in determining the existence, magnitude and longevity of these risks and their results. In addition, if an index or formula used to determine any amounts payable in respect of the notes contains a multiplier or leverage factor, the effect of any change in the particular index or formula will be magnified. In recent years, values of certain indices and formulas have been volatile and volatility in those and other indices and formulas may be expected in the future. However, past experience is not necessarily indicative of fluctuations that may occur in the future.

Redemption May Adversely Affect Your Return on the Notes

If your notes are redeemable at our option, we may choose to redeem your notes at times when prevailing interest rates are relatively low. In addition, if your notes are subject to mandatory redemption, we may be required to redeem your notes also at times when prevailing interest rates are relatively low. As a result, you generally will not be able to reinvest the redemption proceeds in a comparable security at an effective interest rate as high as the current interest rate on the notes being redeemed.

There May Not Be a Trading Market for Your Notes; Many Factors Affect the Trading and Market Value of Your Notes

Upon issuance, your notes will not have an established trading market. A trading market for your notes may not develop or be maintained if developed. In addition to our creditworthi-

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ness, many factors affect the trading market for, and trading value of, your notes. These factors include:

the complexity and volatility of the index or formula applicable to your notes,

the method of calculating the principal, premium and interest in respect of your notes,

the time remaining to the maturity of your notes,

the outstanding amount of notes related to your notes,

any redemption features of your notes,

the amount of other debt securities linked to the index or formula applicable to your notes, and

the level, direction and volatility of market interest rates generally.

There may be a limited number of buyers when you decide to sell your notes. This may affect the price you receive for your notes or your ability to sell your notes at all. In addition, notes that are designed for specific investment objectives or strategies often experience a more limited trading market and more price volatility than those not so designed. You should not purchase any notes unless you understand and are able to bear the risk that the notes may not be readily saleable, that the value of the notes will fluctuate over time and that these fluctuations may be significant.

Foreign Currency Notes are Subject to Exchange Rate and Exchange Control Risks

If you invest in notes that are denominated and/or payable in a currency other than U.S. dollars, referred to in this prospectus supplement as foreign currency notes, you will be subject to significant risks not associated with an investment in a debt security denominated and payable in U.S. dollars, including, without limitation, the possibility of material changes in the exchange rate between U.S. dollars and the applicable foreign currency and the possibility of the imposition or modification of exchange controls by the applicable governments or monetary authorities. We have no control over the factors that generally affect these risks, including economic, financial and political events and the supply and demand for the applicable currencies. Moreover, if payments on your foreign currency notes are determined by reference to a formula containing a multiplier or leverage factor, the effect of any change in the exchange rates between the applicable currencies will be magnified. In recent years, exchange rates between U.S. dollars and certain currencies have been highly volatile and volatility between these currencies or with other currencies should be expected in the future. Fluctuations in any particular exchange rate that have occurred in the past are not necessarily indicative, however, of fluctuations that may occur in the future. Depreciation of the currency applicable to your foreign currency notes against the U.S. dollar would result in a decrease in the U.S. dollar equivalent yield of your foreign currency notes, in the U.S. dollar equivalent value of the principal and any premium payable at maturity or any earlier redemption of your foreign currency notes and, generally, in the U.S. dollar equivalent market value of your foreign currency notes.

Governmental or monetary authority exchange controls could affect exchange rates and the availability of the payment currency for your foreign currency notes on a required payment date. Even if there are no exchange controls, it is possible that the currency in which your foreign currency rates are payable will not be available on a required payment date due to

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circumstances beyond our control. In these cases, we will be allowed to satisfy our obligations in respect of your foreign currency notes in U.S. dollars.

Our Credit Ratings May Not Reflect All Risks of an Investment in the Notes

The credit ratings assigned to our medium-term note program may not reflect the potential impact of all risks related to structure and other factors on any trading market for, or trading value of, your notes. In addition, real or anticipated changes in our credit ratings will generally affect any trading market for, or trading value of, your notes. Accordingly, you should consult your own financial and legal advisors as to the risks entailed by an investment in the notes and the suitability of investing in the notes in light of your particular circumstances.

DESCRIPTION OF NOTES

The following description of the terms of the Medium-Term Notes, Series A Due Nine Months or More from Date of Issue, referred to in this prospectus supplement as the notes, supplements, and to the extent inconsistent replaces, the description of the general terms and provisions of debt securities contained in the accompanying prospectus. The pricing supplement for each offering of an issue of notes will contain the specific information and terms for that offering. The pricing supplement may also add, update or change information contained in the accompanying prospectus and this prospectus supplement. It is important for you to consider the information contained in the accompanying prospectus, this prospectus supplement and any pricing supplement in making your investment decision.

General

We will issue the notes as a series of Debt Securities under an indenture, referred to in this prospectus supplement as the Indenture, dated as of November 1, 1995, as amended or modified from time to time, with U.S. Bank National Association, successor trustee to Wachovia Bank, National Association (formerly First Union National Bank of Virginia), as trustee. The Indenture is subject to, and governed by, the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended. The following summary of certain provisions of the notes and the Indenture does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the actual provisions of the notes and the Indenture. Capitalized terms used but not defined in this prospectus supplement shall have the meanings given to them in the accompanying prospectus, the notes or the Indenture, as the case may be. The term Debt Securities, as used in this prospectus supplement, refers to all debt securities issued and issuable from time to time under the Indenture, including the notes offered by this prospectus supplement. The following description of notes will apply to each note offered hereby unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement.

All of our Debt Securities that we have issued or will issue under the Indenture, including the notes offered hereby, will be our unsecured general obligations and will rank equally with all of our other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness from time to time outstanding. The Indenture does not limit the aggregate principal amount of Debt Securities that we may issue thereunder. Accordingly, we may issue Debt Securities from time to time in one or more series up to the aggregate initial offering price authorized by us for the particular series. We may, from time to time, without the consent of the registered holders of the notes offered hereby, issue medium-term notes that are part of the same series as the notes or other Debt Securities under the Indenture in addition to the notes offered hereby.

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Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, notes that bear interest will either be fixed rate notes or floating rate notes, as specified in the applicable pricing supplement. We may also issue discount notes, indexed notes and amortizing notes, as specified in the applicable pricing supplement. Each note will mature on any day nine months or more from its date of issue, referred to herein as the stated maturity date, as specified in the applicable pricing supplement, unless the principal thereof (or, any installment of principal thereof) becomes due and payable prior to the stated maturity date, whether, as applicable, by the declaration of acceleration of maturity, notice of redemption at our option, notice of the registered holder s option to elect repayment or otherwise (the stated maturity date or any date prior to the stated maturity date on which the particular note becomes due and payable, as the case may be, is referred to as the maturity date with respect to the principal of the particular note repayable on that date). Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, the notes will be denominated in, and payments of principal, premium, if any, and/or interest, if any, in respect thereof will be made in, U.S. dollars. The notes also may be denominated in, and payments of principal, premium, if any, and/or interest, if any, in respect thereof may be made in, one or more foreign currencies. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, payments in respect of foreign currency notes will be made in the currency in which those foreign currency notes are denominated. See Special Provisions Relating to Foreign Currency Notes Payment of Principal, Premium, if any, and Interest, if any. The currency in which a note is denominated (or, if that currency is no longer legal tender for the payment of public and private debts in the country issuing that currency or, in the case of Euro, in the member states of the European Union that have adopted the single currency in accordance with the Treaty establishing the European Community, as amended by the Treaty on European Union, the currency which is then legal tender in the related country or in the adopting member states of the European Union, as the case may be) is referred to as the Specified Currency with respect to the particular note. References to U.S. dollars or \$ are to the lawful currency of the United States of America.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, you will be required to pay for your notes in the Specified Currency. At the present time, there are limited facilities in the United States for the conversion of U.S. dollars into foreign currencies and vice versa, and commercial banks do not generally offer non-U.S. dollar checking or savings account facilities in the United States. The agent from or through which a foreign currency note is purchased may be prepared to arrange for the conversion of U.S. dollars into the Specified Currency to enable you to pay for your foreign currency note, provided that you make a request to that agent on or prior to the fifth business day (as defined below) preceding the date of delivery of the particular foreign currency note, or by any other day determined by that agent. Each conversion will be made by an agent on the terms and subject to the conditions, limitations and charges as that agent may from time to time establish in accordance with its regular foreign exchange practices. You will be required to bear all costs of exchange in respect of your foreign currency note. For more information, see Special Provisions Relating to Foreign Currency Notes below.

Interest rates that we offer on the notes may differ depending upon, among other factors, the aggregate principal amount of notes purchased in any single transaction. Notes with different variable terms other than interest rates may also be offered concurrently to different investors.

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We may change interest rates or formulas and other terms of notes from time to time, but no change of terms will affect any note we have previously issued or as to which we have accepted an offer to purchase. We will issue each note as a book-entry note represented by one or more fully registered global securities or as a fully registered certificated note. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, the minimum denominations of each note other than a foreign currency note will be \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000.

We will make payments of principal of, and premium, if any, and interest, if any, on, book-entry notes represented by global securities through the trustee to The Depositary Trust Company or its successor or assigns, referred to in this prospectus supplement as the Depositary. In the case of certificated notes, we will make payments of principal and premium, if any, due on the maturity date in immediately available funds upon presentation and surrender thereof (and, in the case of any repayment on an optional repayment date, upon submission of a duly completed election form if and as required by the provisions described below) at the office or agency maintained by us for this purpose in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, currently the corporate trust office of the trustee located at 40 Broad Street, 5th Floor, New York, New York 10004. We will make payments of interest, if any, due on the maturity date of a certificated note to the person to whom payment of the principal thereof and premium, if any, thereon shall be made.

We will make payments of interest, if any, on a certificated note due on any Interest Payment Date (as defined below) other than the maturity date by check mailed to the address of the registered holder entitled thereto appearing in the security register. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we will make payments of interest, if any, due on any Interest Payment Date other than the maturity date to each registered holder of \$10,000,000 (or, if the Specified Currency is other than U.S. dollars, the equivalent thereof in the particular Specified Currency) or more in aggregate principal amount of certificated notes (whether having identical or different terms and provisions) by wire transfer of immediately available funds if the applicable registered holder has delivered appropriate wire transfer instructions in writing to the trustee not less than 15 days prior to the particular Interest Payment Date. Any wire transfer instructions received by the trustee shall remain in effect until revoked by the applicable registered holder. For special payment terms applicable to foreign currency notes, see Special Provisions Relating to Foreign Currency Notes Payment of Principal, Premium, if any, and Interest, if any.

The term business day means any day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which commercial banking institutions are authorized or required by law, regulation or executive order to close in The City of New York; provided, however, that, with respect to foreign currency notes, the day must also not be a day on which commercial banking institutions are authorized or required by law, regulation or executive order to close in the Principal Financial Center (as defined below) of the country issuing the Specified Currency (or, if the Specified Currency is Euro, the day must also be a day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET) System is open); provided, further, that, with respect to notes as to which LIBOR is an applicable Interest Rate Basis, the day must also be a London Banking Day (as defined below). London Banking Day means a day on which commercial banking institutions are open for business (including dealings in the Designated LIBOR Currency (as defined below) are transacted in the London interbank market.

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Principal Financial Center means, as applicable:

the capital city of the country issuing the Specified Currency; or

the capital city of the country to which the Designated LIBOR Currency relates;

provided, however, that with respect to U.S. dollars, Australian dollars, Canadian dollars, Euros, South African rand and Swiss francs, the Principal Financial Center shall be The City of New York, Sydney, Toronto, London (solely in the case of the Designated LIBOR Currency), Johannesburg and Zurich, respectively.

Book-entry notes may be transferred or exchanged only through the Depositary. Registration of transfer or exchange of certificated notes will be made at the office or agency maintained by us for this purpose in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, currently the corporate trust office of the trustee located at 40 Broad Street, 5th Floor, New York, New York 10004. No service charge will be imposed for any such registration of transfer or exchange of notes, but we may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection therewith (other than certain exchanges not involving any transfer).

The defeasance and covenant defeasance provisions contained in the Indenture shall apply to the notes.

Redemption at Our Option; No Sinking Fund

If an initial redemption date is specified in the applicable pricing supplement, we may redeem the particular notes prior to their stated maturity date at our option on any date on or after that initial redemption date in whole or from time to time in part in increments of \$1,000 or any other integral multiple of an authorized denomination specified in the applicable pricing supplement (provided that any remaining principal amount thereof shall be at least \$1,000 or other minimum authorized denomination applicable thereto), at the applicable Redemption Price (as defined below), together with unpaid interest accrued thereon to the date of redemption. We must give written notice to registered holders of the particular notes to be redeemed at our option not more than 60 nor less than 30 calendar days prior to the date of redemption. Redemption Price, with respect to a note, means an amount equal to the initial redemption percentage specified in the applicable pricing supplement (as adjusted by the annual redemption percentage reduction, if applicable) multiplied by the unpaid principal amount thereof to be redeemed. The initial redemption percentage, if any, applicable to a note shall decline at each anniversary of the initial redemption date by an amount equal to the applicable annual redemption percentage reduction, if any, until the Redemption Price is equal to 100% of the unpaid principal amount thereof to be redeemed. For a discussion of the redemption of discount notes, see Discount Notes. The notes will not be subject to, or entitled to the benefit of, any sinking fund.

Repayment at the Option of the Holder

If one or more optional repayment dates are specified in the applicable pricing supplement, registered holders of the particular notes may require us to repay those notes prior to their stated maturity date on any optional repayment date in whole or from time to time in part in increments of \$1,000 or any other integral multiple of an authorized denomination specified in the applicable pricing supplement (provided that any remaining principal amount thereof shall be at least \$1,000 or other minimum authorized denomination applicable thereto), at a

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repayment price equal to 100% of the unpaid principal amount thereof to be repaid, together with unpaid interest accrued thereon to the date of repayment. A registered holder is exercise of the repayment option will be irrevocable. For a discussion of the repayment of discount notes, see Discount Notes. For any note to be repaid, the trustee must receive, at its corporate trust office in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, not more than 60 nor less than 30 calendar days prior to the date of repayment, the particular notes to be repaid and:

in the case of a certificated note, the form entitled Option to Elect Repayment duly completed, or

in the case of a book-entry note, repayment instructions from the applicable Beneficial Owner (as defined below) to the Depositary and forwarded by the Depositary.

Only the Depositary may exercise the repayment option in respect of global securities representing book-entry notes. Accordingly, Beneficial Owners of global securities that desire to have all or any portion of the book-entry notes represented thereby repaid must instruct the Participant (as defined below) through which they own their interest to direct the Depositary to exercise the repayment option on their behalf by forwarding the repayment instructions to the trustee as aforesaid. To ensure that these instructions are received by the trustee on a particular day, the applicable Beneficial Owner must so instruct the Participant through which it owns its interest before that Participant s deadline for accepting instructions for that day. Different firms may have different deadlines for accepting instructions from their customers. Accordingly, Beneficial Owners should consult their Participants for the respective deadlines. All instructions given to Participants from Beneficial Owners of global securities relating to the option to elect repayment shall be irrevocable. In addition, at the time repayment instructions are given, each Beneficial Owner shall cause the Participant through which it owns its interest to transfer the Beneficial Owner s interest in the global security representing the related book-entry notes, on the Depositary s records, to the trustee.

If applicable, we will comply with the requirements of Section 14(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder, and any other securities laws or regulations in connection with any repayment of notes at the option of the registered holders thereof.

We may at any time purchase notes at any price or prices in the open market or otherwise. Notes so purchased by us may, at our discretion, be held, resold or surrendered to the trustee for cancellation.

Interest

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, each interest-bearing note will bear interest from its date of issue at the rate per annum, in the case of a fixed rate note, or pursuant to the interest rate formula, in the case of a floating rate note, in each case as specified in the applicable pricing supplement, until the principal thereof is paid or duly provided for. We will make interest payments in respect of fixed rate notes and floating rate notes in an amount equal to the interest accrued from and including the immediately preceding Interest Payment Date in respect of which interest has been paid or duly provided for, or from and including the date of issue, if no interest has been paid or duly provided for, to but excluding the applicable Interest Payment Date or the maturity date, as the case may be (each, an Interest Period).

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Interest on fixed rate notes and floating rate notes will be payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date and on the maturity date. The first payment of interest on any note originally issued between a Record Date (as defined below) and the related Interest Payment Date will be made on the Interest Payment Date immediately following the next succeeding Record Date to the registered holder of such date on the next succeeding Record Date. The Record Date shall be the fifteenth calendar day, whether or not a business day, immediately preceding the related Interest Payment Date.

Fixed Rate Notes

Interest on fixed rate notes will be payable semiannually in arrears on June 15 and December 15 of each year or on any other date(s) specified in the applicable pricing supplement (each, an Interest Payment Date with respect to fixed rate notes) and on the maturity date. Each payment of interest on an Interest Payment Date will include interest accrued to but excluding such Interest Payment Date. Interest on fixed rate notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

If any Interest Payment Date or the maturity date of a fixed rate note falls on a day that is not a business day, we will make the required payment of principal, premium, if any, and/or interest on the next succeeding business day with the same force and effect as if made on the date such payment was due, and no additional interest will accrue on such payment from and after such Interest Payment Date or the maturity date, as the case may be.

Floating Rate Notes

Interest on floating rate notes will be determined by reference to the applicable Interest Rate Basis or Interest Rate Bases, which may, as described below, include:

the CD Rate,
the CMT Rate,
the Commercial Paper Rate,
the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Rate,
the Federal Funds Rate,
LIBOR,
the Prime Rate,
the Treasury Rate, or

any other Interest Rate Basis or interest rate formula as may be specified in the applicable pricing supplement. The applicable pricing supplement will specify certain terms of the floating rate notes being offered thereby, as described below, including:

whether the Floating Rate Note is:

- a Regular Floating Rate Note,
- a Floating Rate/Fixed Rate Note or
- an Inverse Floating Rate Note,

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the fixed rate commencement date, if applicable,

Fixed Interest Rate, if applicable,

Interest Rate Basis or Bases,

Initial Interest Rate, if any,

Interest Reset Dates.

Interest Payment Dates,

Index Maturity,

Maximum Interest Rate and/or Minimum Interest Rate, if any,

Spread and Spread Multiplier, if any, or

if one or more of the applicable Interest Rate Bases is LIBOR or the CMT Rate, the Designated LIBOR Currency and LIBOR Page or the applicable CMT Telerate Page.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, the interest rate derived from the applicable Interest Rate Basis will be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions below. The interest rate in effect on each day will be:

if that day is an Interest Reset Date (as defined below), the rate determined as of the Interest Determination Date (as defined below) immediately preceding that Interest Reset Date, or

if that day is not an Interest Reset Date, the rate determined as of the Interest Determination Date immediately preceding the most recent Interest Reset Date;

provided, however, that the interest rate in effect for the period, if any, from the date of issue to the first Interest Reset Date will be the Initial Interest Rate.

The Spread is the number of basis points to be added to or subtracted from the related Interest Rate Basis or Bases applicable to a floating rate note. The Spread Multiplier is the percentage of the related Interest Rate Basis or Bases applicable to a floating rate note by which the Interest Rate Basis or Bases will be multiplied to determine the applicable interest rate of such floating rate note. The Index Maturity is the period to maturity of the instrument or obligation with respect to which the related Interest Rate Basis or Bases will be calculated.

Regular Floating Rate Notes. Unless a floating rate note is designated as a floating rate/fixed rate note, or an inverse floating rate note, or as having an Addendum attached or having Other/ Additional Provisions apply, in each case relating to a different interest rate formula, the particular floating rate note will be designated as a regular floating rate note and will bear interest at the rate determined by reference to the applicable Interest Rate Basis or Bases:

plus or minus the applicable Spread, and/or

multiplied by the applicable Spread Multiplier.

Commencing on the first Interest Reset Date, the rate at which interest on a regular floating rate note is payable will be reset as of each Interest Reset Date; provided, however, that the interest rate in effect for the period, if any, from the date of issue to the first Interest Reset Date will be the initial interest rate (the Initial Interest Rate).

Floating Rate/ Fixed Rate Notes. If a floating rate note is designated as a floating rate/fixed rate note, the particular floating rate note will bear interest at the rate determined by reference to the applicable Interest Rate Basis or Bases:

plus or minus the applicable Spread, and/or

multiplied by the applicable Spread Multiplier.

Commencing on the first Interest Reset Date, the rate at which interest on a floating rate/fixed rate note is payable will be reset as of each Interest Reset Date; provided, however, that:

the interest rate in effect for the period, if any, from the date of issue to the first Interest Reset Date will be the Initial Interest Rate, and

the interest rate in effect for the period commencing on the fixed rate commencement date to the maturity date will be the Fixed Interest Rate, if specified in the applicable pricing supplement, or, if not so specified, the interest rate in effect on the day immediately preceding the fixed rate commencement Date.

Inverse Floating Rate Notes. If a floating rate note is designated as an inverse floating rate note, the particular floating rate note will bear interest at the Fixed Interest Rate minus the rate determined by reference to the applicable Interest Rate Basis or Bases:

plus or minus the applicable Spread, and/or

multiplied by the applicable Spread Multiplier;

provided, however, that the interest rate on an inverse floating rate note will not be less than zero. Commencing on the first Interest Reset Date, the rate at which interest on an inverse floating rate note is payable will be reset as of each Interest Reset Date; and provided, further, that the interest rate in effect for the period, if any, from the date of issue to the first Interest Reset Date will be the Initial Interest Rate.

Interest Reset Dates. The applicable pricing supplement will specify the dates on which the rate of interest on a floating rate note will be reset (each, an Interest Reset Date), and the period between Interest Reset Dates will be the Interest Reset Period . The Interest Reset Dates will be, in the case of floating rate notes which reset:

daily each business day,

weekly the Wednesday of each week, with the exception of weekly reset floating rate notes as to which the Treasury Rate is an applicable Interest Rate Basis, which will reset the Tuesday of each week, except as described below under Interest Determination Dates,

monthly the third Wednesday of each month, with the exception of monthly reset floating rate notes as to which the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Rate is an applicable Interest Rate Basis, which will reset on the first calendar day of the month,

quarterly the third Wednesday of March, June, September and December of each year,

semiannually the third Wednesday of the two months of each year specified in the applicable pricing supplement, and

annually the third Wednesday of the month of each year specified in the applicable pricing supplement, S-10

provided however, that, with respect to floating rate/fixed rate notes, the rate of interest thereon will not reset after the particular fixed rate commencement date.

If any Interest Reset Date for any floating rate note would otherwise be a day that is not a business day, the particular Interest Reset Date will be postponed to the next succeeding business day, except that in the case of a floating rate note as to which LIBOR is an applicable Interest Rate Basis and that business day falls in the next succeeding calendar month, the particular Interest Reset Date will be the immediately preceding business day. In addition, in the case of a floating rate note as to which the Treasury Rate is an applicable Interest Rate Basis, if the Interest Determination Date would otherwise fall on an Interest Reset Date, the particular Interest Reset Date will be postponed to the next succeeding business day. *Interest Determination Dates.* Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, the interest rate applicable to an Interest Reset Period commencing on the related Interest Reset Date will be determined by reference to the applicable Interest Rate Basis as of the particular Interest Determination Date, which will be:

with respect to the Federal Funds Rate and the Prime Rate the business day immediately preceding the related Interest Reset Date.

with respect to the CD Rate, the CMT Rate and the Commercial Paper Rate the second business day preceding the applicable Interest Reset Date,

with respect to the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Rate the last working day of the month immediately preceding the applicable Interest Reset Date on which the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco publishes the Index (as defined below),

with respect to LIBOR the second London Banking Day preceding the applicable Interest Reset Date unless the Designated LIBOR currency is British pounds sterling, in which case the Interest Determination Date will be the applicable Interest Reset Date, and

with respect to the Treasury Rate the day in the week in which the applicable Interest Reset Date falls on which day Treasury Bills (as defined below) are normally auctioned (i.e., Treasury Bills are normally sold at auction on Monday of each week, unless that day is a legal holiday, in which case the auction is normally held on the following Tuesday, except that the auction may be held on the preceding Friday); provided, however, that if an auction is held on the Friday of the week preceding the applicable Interest Reset Date, the Interest Determination Date will be the preceding Friday.

The Interest Determination Date pertaining to a floating rate note the interest rate of which is determined with reference to two or more Interest Rate Bases will be the latest business day which is at least two business days before the related Interest Reset Date for the applicable floating rate note on which each Interest Reset Basis is determinable. Each Interest Rate Basis will be determined on the Interest Determination Date, and the applicable interest rate will take effect on the related Interest Reset Date.

Calculation Dates. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, U.S. Bank National Association will be the Calculation Agent. The interest rate applicable to each Interest Reset Period will be determined by the Calculation Agent on or prior to the Calculation Date (as defined below), except with respect to LIBOR and the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Rate, which will be determined on the particular Interest Determination Date. Upon request of the registered holder of a floating rate note, the Calculation Agent will disclose the interest rate then in effect and, if determined, the interest rate that will become

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effective as a result of a determination made for the next succeeding Interest Reset Date with respect to the particular floating rate note. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, the Calculation Date, if applicable, pertaining to any Interest Determination Date will be the earlier of:

the tenth calendar day after the particular Interest Determination Date or, if such day is not a business day, the next succeeding business day, or

the business day immediately preceding the applicable Interest Payment Date or the maturity date, as the case may be.

Maximum and Minimum Interest Rates. A floating rate note may also have either or both of the following: a maximum numerical limitation, or ceiling, on the per annum rate of interest in effect with respect to such note that may accrue during any Interest Reset Period (a Maximum Interest Rate), and

a minimum numerical limitation, or floor, on the per annum rate of interest in effect with respect to such note that may accrue during any Interest Reset Period (a Minimum Interest Rate).

In addition to any Maximum Interest Rate that may apply to a floating rate note, the interest rate on floating rate notes will in no event be higher than the maximum rate permitted by New York law, as the same may be modified by United States law of general application.

Interest Payments. The applicable pricing supplement will specify the dates on which interest on floating rate notes is payable (each, an Interest Payment Date with respect to Floating Rate Notes). The Interest Payment Dates will be, in the case of floating rate notes which reset:

daily, weekly or monthly the third Wednesday of each month or the third Wednesday of March, June, September and December of each year, as specified in the applicable pricing supplement,

quarterly the third Wednesday of March, June, September and December of each year,

semiannually the third Wednesday of the two months of each year specified in the applicable pricing supplement, and

annually the third Wednesday of the month of each year specified in the applicable pricing supplement. In addition, the maturity date will also be an Interest Payment Date.

If any Interest Payment Date other than the maturity date for any floating rate note would otherwise be a day that is not a business day, such Interest Payment Date will be postponed to the next succeeding business day, except that in the case of a floating rate note as to which LIBOR is an applicable Interest Rate Basis and that business day falls in the next succeeding calendar month, the particular Interest Payment Date will be the immediately preceding business day. If the maturity date of a floating rate note falls on a day that is not a business day, we will make the required payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on the next succeeding business day with the same force and effect as if made on the date that payment was due, and no additional interest will accrue on the payment for the period from and after the maturity date to the payment on that next succeeding business day.

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All percentages resulting from any calculation on floating rate notes will be rounded to the nearest one hundred-thousandth of a percentage point, with five-one millionths of a percentage point rounded upwards. For example, 9.876545% (or .09876545) would be rounded to 9.87655% (or .0987655). All dollar amounts used in or resulting from any calculation on floating rate notes will be rounded, in the case of U.S. dollars, to the nearest cent or, in the case of a foreign currency, to the nearest unit (with one-half cent or unit being rounded upwards).

With respect to each floating rate note, accrued interest is calculated by multiplying its principal amount by an accrued interest factor. The accrued interest factor is computed by adding the interest factor calculated for each day in the particular Interest Period. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, the interest factor for each of those days will be computed by dividing the interest rate applicable to such day by 360, in the case of floating rate notes as to which the CD Rate, the Commercial Paper Rate, the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Rate, the Federal Funds Rate, LIBOR or the Prime Rate is an applicable Interest Rate Basis, or by the actual number of days in the year, in the case of floating rate notes as to which the CMT Rate or the Treasury Rate is an applicable Interest Rate Basis. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, the interest factor for floating rate notes as to which the interest rate is calculated with reference to two or more Interest Rate Bases will be calculated in each period in the same manner as if only the applicable Interest Rate Basis specified in the applicable pricing supplement applied.

The Calculation Agent shall determine the rate derived from each Interest Rate Basis in accordance with the following provisions.

CD Rate. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, CD Rate means:

- (1) the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date for negotiable U.S. dollar certificates of deposit having the Index Maturity specified in the applicable pricing supplement as published in H.15(519) (as defined below) under the heading CDs (secondary market), or
- (2) if the rate referred to in clause (1) is not so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date for negotiable U.S. dollar certificates of deposit of the particular Index Maturity specified in the applicable pricing supplement as published in H.15 Daily Update (as defined below), or other recognized electronic source used for the purpose of displaying the applicable rate, under the caption CDs (secondary market), or
- (3) if the rate referred to in clause (2) is not so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent as the arithmetic mean of the secondary market offered rates as of 10:00 A.M., New York City time, on that Interest Determination Date, of three leading nonbank dealers in negotiable U.S. dollar certificates of deposit in The City of New York (which may include the Agents or their affiliates) selected by the Calculation Agent for negotiable U.S. dollar certificates of deposit of major United States money market banks for negotiable United States certificates of deposit with a remaining maturity closest to the particular Index Maturity specified in the applicable pricing supplement in an amount that is representative for a single transaction in that market at that time, or
- (4) if the dealers so selected by the Calculation Agent are not quoting as mentioned in clause (3), the CD Rate in effect on the particular Interest Determination Date.

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H.15(519) means the weekly statistical release designated as H.15(519), or any successor publication, published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

H.15 Daily Update means the daily update of H.15(519), available through the worldwide web site of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System at http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/h15/update, or any successor site or publication.

CMT Rate. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, CMT Rate means:

- (1) if Reuters Page FRBCMT is specified in the applicable pricing supplement:
 - (a) the percentage equal to the yield for United States Treasury securities at constant maturity having the Index Maturity specified in the applicable pricing supplement as published in H.15(519) under the caption Treasury Constant Maturities , as the yield is displayed on Reuters (or any successor service) on page FRBCMT (or any other page as may replace the specified page on that service) (Reuters Page FRBCMT) or, if not so displayed, on the Bloomberg service (or any successor service) on Page NDX 7 (or any other page as may replace the specified page on that service) (Bloomberg Page NDX 7), for the particular Interest Determination Date, or
 - (b) if the rate referred to in clause (a) does not so appear on Reuters Page FRBCMT or Bloomberg Page NDX 7, as the case may be, on the related Calculation Date, the percentage equal to the yield for United States Treasury securities at constant maturity having the particular Index Maturity and for the particular Interest Determination Date as published in H.15(519) under the caption Treasury Constant Maturities, or
 - (c) if the rate referred to in clause (b) does not so appear in H.15(519), the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date for the period of the particular Index Maturity as may then be published by either the Federal Reserve System Board of Governors or the United States Department of the Treasury that the Calculation Agent determines to be comparable to the rate which would otherwise have been published in H.15(519), or
 - (d) if the rate referred to in clause (c) is not so published on the related Calculation Date, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent as a yield to maturity based on the arithmetic mean of the secondary market bid prices at approximately 3:30 P.M., New York City time, on that Interest Determination Date of three leading primary United States government securities dealers in The City of New York (which may include the Agents or their affiliates) (each, a Reference Dealer), selected by the Calculation Agent from five Reference Dealers selected by the Calculation Agent and eliminating the highest quotation, or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest, for United States Treasury securities with an original maturity equal to the particular Index Maturity, a remaining term to maturity no more than 1 year shorter than that Index Maturity and in a principal amount that is representative for a single transaction in the securities in that market at that time, or
 - (e) if fewer than five but more than two of the prices referred to in clause (d) are provided as requested, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent based on the arithmetic mean of the bid prices obtained and neither the highest nor the lowest of the quotations shall be eliminated, or

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- (f) if fewer than three prices referred to in clause (d) are provided as requested, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent as a yield to maturity based on the arithmetic mean of the secondary market bid prices as of approximately 3:30 P.M., New York City time, on that Interest Determination Date of three Reference Dealers selected by the Calculation Agent from five Reference Dealers selected by the Calculation Agent and eliminating the highest quotation or, in the event of equality, one of the highest and the lowest quotation or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest, for United States Treasury securities with an original maturity greater than the particular Index Maturity, a remaining term to maturity closest to that Index Maturity and in a principal amount that is representative for a single transaction in the securities in that market at that time, or
- (g) if fewer than five but more than two prices referred to in clause (f) are provided as requested, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent based on the arithmetic mean of the bid prices obtained and neither the highest nor the lowest of the quotations will be eliminated, or
- (h) if fewer than three prices referred to in clause (f) are provided as requested, the CMT Rate in effect on the particular Interest Determination Date.
- (2) if Reuters Page FEDCMT is specified in the applicable pricing supplement:
 - (a) the percentage equal to the one-week or one-month, as specified in the applicable pricing supplement, average yield for United States Treasury securities at constant maturity having the Index Maturity specified in the applicable pricing supplement as published in H.15(519) opposite the caption Treasury Constant Maturities , as the yield is displayed on Reuters (or any successor service) on page FEDCMT (or any other page as may replace the specified page on that service) (Reuters Page FEDCMT) or, if not so displayed, on the Bloomberg service (or any successor service) on Bloomberg Page NDX 7, for the week or month, as applicable, ended immediately preceding the week or month, as applicable, in which the particular Interest Determination Date falls, or
 - (b) if the rate referred to in clause (a) does not so appear on Reuters Page FEDCMT or Bloomberg Page NDX 7, as the case may be, on the related Calculation Date, the percentage equal to the one-week or one-month, as specified in the applicable pricing supplement, average yield for United States Treasury securities at constant maturity having the particular Index Maturity and for the week or month, as applicable, preceding the particular Interest Determination Date as published in H.15(519) opposite the caption Treasury Constant Maturities, or
 - (c) if the rate referred to in clause (b) does not so appear in H.15(519) on the related Calculation Date, the one-week or one-month, as specified in the applicable pricing supplement, average yield for United States Treasury securities at constant maturity having the particular Index Maturity as otherwise announced by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for the week or month, as applicable, ended immediately preceding the week or month, as applicable, in which the particular Interest Determination Date falls, or
 - (d) if the rate referred to in clause (c) is not so published on the related Calculation Date, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent as a yield to maturity based on the arithmetic mean of the secondary market bid prices at approximately 3:30 P.M., New York City time, on that Interest

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Determination Date of three Reference Dealers selected by the Calculation Agent from five Reference Dealers selected by the Calculation Agent and eliminating the highest quotation, or, in the event of equality, one of the highest, and the lowest quotation or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest, for United States Treasury securities with an original maturity equal to the particular Index Maturity, a remaining term to maturity no more than 1 year shorter than that Index Maturity and in a principal amount that is representative for a single transaction in the securities in that market at that time, or

- (e) if fewer than five but more than two of the prices referred to in clause (d) are provided as requested, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent based on the arithmetic mean of the bid prices obtained and neither the highest nor the lowest of the quotations shall be eliminated, or
- (f) if fewer than three prices referred to in clause (d) are provided as requested, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent as a yield to maturity based on the arithmetic mean of the secondary market bid prices as of approximately 3:30 P.M., New York City time, on that Interest Determination Date of three Reference Dealers selected by the Calculation Agent from five Reference Dealers selected by the Calculation Agent and eliminating the highest quotation or, in the event of equality, one of the highest and the lowest quotation or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest, for United States Treasury securities with an original maturity greater than the particular Index Maturity, a remaining term to maturity closest to that Index Maturity and in a principal amount that is representative for a single transaction in the securities in that market at the time, or
- (g) if fewer than five but more than two prices referred to in clause (f) are provided as requested, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent based on the arithmetic mean of the bid prices obtained and neither the highest or the lowest of the quotations will be eliminated, or
- (h) if fewer than three prices referred to in clause (f) are provided as requested, the CMT Rate in effect on that Interest Determination Date.

If two United States Treasury securities with an original maturity greater than the Index Maturity specified in the applicable pricing supplement have remaining terms to maturity equally close to the particular Index Maturity, the quotes for the United States Treasury security with the shorter original remaining term to maturity will be used. *Commercial Paper Rate.* Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, Commercial Paper Rate means:

- (1) the Money Market Yield, (as defined below), on the particular Interest Determination Date of the rate for commercial paper having the Index Maturity specified in the applicable pricing supplement as published in H.15(519) under the caption Commercial Paper-Nonfinancial, or
- (2) if the rate referred to in clause (1) is not so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, the Money Market Yield of the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date for commercial paper having the particular Index Maturity as published in H.15 Daily Update, or such other recognized electronic source used for the purpose of displaying the applicable rate, under the caption Commercial Paper-Nonfinancial, or

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(3) if the rate referred to in clause (2) is not so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent as the Money Market Yield of the arithmetic mean of the offered rates at approximately 11:00 A.M., New York City time, on that Interest Determination Date of three leading dealers of U.S. dollar commercial paper in The City of New York (which may include the Agents or their affiliates) selected by the Calculation Agent for commercial paper having the particular Index Maturity specified in the applicable pricing supplement placed for industrial issuers whose bond rating is Aa , or the equivalent, from a nationally recognized statistical rating organization, or

(4) if the dealers so selected by the Calculation Agent are not quoting as mentioned in clause (3), the Commercial Paper Rate in effect on the particular Interest Determination Date.

Money Market Yield means a yield (expressed as a percentage) calculated in accordance with the following formula:

Money Market Yield =
$$360 \times D$$
 \times $360 - (D \times M)$

where $\,D\,$ refers to the applicable per annum rate for commercial paper quoted on a bank discount basis and expressed as a decimal, and $\,M\,$ refers to the actual number of days in the applicable Interest Reset Period.

Eleventh District Cost of Funds Rate. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, Eleventh District Cost of Funds Rate means:

- (1) the rate equal to the monthly weighted average cost of funds for the calendar month immediately preceding the month in which the particular Interest Determination Date falls as set forth under the caption 11th District on the display on Reuters (or any successor service) on page COFI/ARMS (or any other page as may replace the specified page on that service) (Reuters Page COFI/ARMS) or, if not so displayed, on the Bloomberg service (or any successor service) on page ALLX COF (or any other page as may replace the specified page on that service) (Bloomberg Page ALLX COF) as of 11:00 A.M., San Francisco time, on that Interest Determination Date, or
- (2) if the rate referred to in clause (1) does not so appear on Reuters Page COFI/ARMS or Bloomberg Page ALLX COF, as the case may be, the monthly weighted average cost of funds paid by member institutions of the Eleventh Federal Home Loan Bank District that was most recently announced (the Index) by the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco as the cost of funds for the calendar month immediately preceding that Interest Determination Date, or
- (3) if the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco fails to announce the Index on or prior to the particular Interest Determination Date for the calendar month immediately preceding that Interest Determination Date, the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Rate in effect on the particular Interest Determination Date.

Federal Funds Rate. Federal Funds Rate Notes will bear interest at the rates (calculated with reference to the Federal Funds Rate and the Spread and/or Spread Multiplier, if any) specified in such Federal Funds Rate Notes. The Federal Funds Rate will be calculated by reference to either the Federal Funds (Effective) Rate, the Federal Funds Open Rate or the Federal Funds Target Rate, as specified in the applicable pricing supplement.

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Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, Federal Funds Rate means the rate determined by the Calculation Agent as of the applicable Interest Determination Date (a Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date) in accordance with the following provisions:

- (1) If Federal Funds (Effective) Rate is the specified Federal Funds Rate in the applicable note, the Federal Funds Rate as of the applicable Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date shall be the rate with respect to such date for United States dollar federal funds as published in H.15(519) opposite the caption Federal funds (effective), as such rate is displayed on Reuters on page FEDFUNDS1 (or any other page as may replace such page on such service) (Reuters Page FEDFUNDS1) under the heading EFFECT , or, if such rate is not so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the Calculation Date, the rate with respect to such Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date for United States dollar federal funds as published in H.15 Daily Update, or such other recognized electronic source used for the purpose of displaying such rate, under the caption Federal funds (effective). If such rate does not appear on Reuters Page FEDFUNDS1 or is not yet published in H.15(519), H.15 Daily Update or another recognized electronic source by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, then the Federal Funds Rate with respect to such Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date shall be calculated by the Calculation Agent and will be the arithmetic mean of the rates for the last transaction in overnight United States dollar federal funds arranged by three leading brokers of U.S. dollar federal funds transactions in The City of New York (which may include the agents or their affiliates) selected by the Calculation Agent, prior to 9:00 A.M., New York City time, on the Business Day following such Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date; provided, however, that if the brokers so selected by the Calculation Agent are not quoting as mentioned in this sentence, the Federal Funds Rate determined as of such Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date will be the Federal Funds Rate in effect on such Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date.
- (2) If Federal Funds Open Rate is the specified Federal Funds Rate in the applicable note, the Federal Funds Rate as of the applicable Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date shall be the rate on such date under the heading Federal Funds for the relevant Index Maturity and opposite the caption Open as such rate is displayed on Reuters on page 5 (or any other page as may replace such page on such service) (Reuters Page 5), or, if such rate does not appear on Reuters Page 5 by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the Calculation Date, the Federal Funds Rate for the Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date will be the rate for that day displayed on FFPREBON Index page on Bloomberg L.P. (Bloomberg), which is the Fed Funds Opening Rate as reported by Prebon Yamane (or a successor) on Bloomberg. If such rate does not appear on Reuters Page 5 or is not displayed on FFPREBON Index page on Bloomberg or another recognized electronic source by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, then the Federal Funds Rate on such Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date shall be calculated by the Calculation Agent and will be the arithmetic mean of the rates for the last transaction in overnight United States dollar federal funds arranged by three leading brokers of United States dollar federal funds transactions in The City of New York (which may include the agents or their affiliates) selected by the Calculation Agent prior to 9:00 A.M., New York City time, on such Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date; provided, however, that if the brokers so selected by the Calculation Agent are not quoting as mentioned in this sentence, the Federal Funds Rate determined as of such Federal Funds Rate Interest

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Determination Date will be the Federal Funds Rate in effect on such Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date.

(iii) If Federal Funds Target Rate is the specified Federal Funds Rate in the applicable note, the Federal Funds Rate as of the applicable Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date shall be the rate on such date as displayed on the FDTR Index page on Bloomberg. If such rate does not appear on the FDTR Index page on Bloomberg by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the Calculation Date, the Federal Funds Rate for such Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date will be the rate for that day appearing on Reuters Page USFFTARGET= (or any other page as may replace such page on such service) (Reuters Page USFFTARGET=). If such rate does not appear on the FDTR Index page on Bloomberg or is not displayed on Reuters Page USFFTARGET= by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, then the Federal Funds Rate on such Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date shall be calculated by the Calculation Agent and will be the arithmetic mean of the rates for the last transaction in overnight United States dollar federal funds arranged by three leading brokers of United States dollar federal funds transactions in The City of New York (which may include the agents or their affiliates) selected by the Calculation Agent prior to 9:00 A.M., New York City time, on such Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date.

LIBOR. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, LIBOR means:

- (1) With respect to any Interest Determination Date relating to a floating rate note for which the interest rate is determined with reference to LIBOR (a LIBOR Interest Determination Date), LIBOR will be the rate for deposits in the Designated LIBOR Currency having the Index Maturity specified in such note as such rate is displayed on Reuters on page LIBOR01 (or any other page as may replace such page on such service for the purpose of displaying the London interbank rates of major banks for the Designated LIBOR Currency) (Reuters Page LIBOR01) as of 11:00 A.M., London time, on such LIBOR Interest Determination Date. If no such rate so appears, LIBOR on such LIBOR Interest Determination Date will be determined in accordance with the provisions described in clause (2) below.
- (2) With respect to a LIBOR Interest Determination Date on which no rate is displayed on Reuters Page LIBOR01 as specified in clause (1) above, the Calculation Agent shall request the principal London offices of each of four major reference banks (which may include affiliates of the agents) in the London interbank market, as selected by the Calculation Agent, to provide the Calculation Agent with its offered quotation for deposits in the Designated LIBOR Currency for the period of the Index Maturity specified in the applicable note, commencing on the related Interest Reset Date, to prime banks in the London interbank market at approximately 11:00 A.M., London time, on such LIBOR Interest Determination Date and in a principal amount that is representative for a single transaction in the Designated LIBOR Currency in such market at such time. If at least two such quotations are so provided, then LIBOR on such LIBOR Interest Determination Date will be the arithmetic mean calculated by the Calculation Agent of such quotations. If fewer than two such quotations are so provided, then LIBOR on such LIBOR Interest Determination Date will be the arithmetic mean calculated by the Calculation Agent of the rates quoted at approximately 11:00 A.M., in the applicable Principal Financial Center (as defined below), on such LIBOR Interest Determination Date by three major banks (which may include affiliates of the agents) in such Principal Financial Center selected by the Calculation Agent

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for loans in the Designated LIBOR Currency to leading European banks, having the Index Maturity specified in the applicable note and in a principal amount that is representative for a single transaction in the Designated LIBOR Currency in such market at such time; *provided*, *however*, that if the banks so selected by the Calculation Agent are not quoting as mentioned in this sentence, LIBOR determined as of such LIBOR Interest Determination Date shall be LIBOR in effect on such LIBOR Interest Determination Date.

Designated LIBOR Currency means the currency specified in the applicable note as to which LIBOR shall be calculated or, if no such currency is specified in the applicable note, U.S. dollars.

Principal Financial Center means (i) the capital city of the country issuing the specified currency or (ii) the capital city of the country to which the Designated LIBOR Currency, if applicable, relates, except, in each case, that with respect to United States dollars, Australian dollars, Canadian dollars, Euros, New Zealand dollars, South African rand and Swiss francs, the Principal Financial Center shall be The City of New York, Sydney, Toronto, London (solely in the case of the Designated LIBOR Currency), Wellington, Johannesburg and Zurich, respectively.

Prime Rate. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, Prime Rate means:

- (1) the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date as published in H.15(519) under the caption Bank Prime Loan , or
- (2) if the rate referred to in clause (1) is not so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date as published in H.15 Daily Update, or such other recognized electronic source used for the purpose of displaying the applicable rate, under the caption Bank Prime Loan , or
- (3) if the rate referred to in clause (2) is not so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent as the arithmetic mean of the rates of interest publicly announced by each bank that appears on Reuters on page USPRIME1 (or any other page as may replace such page on such service for the purpose of displaying prime rates or base lending rates of major United States banks) (Reuters Page USPRIME1) as the applicable bank s prime rate or base lending rate as of 11:00 A.M., New York City time, on that Interest Determination Date, or
- (4) if fewer than four rates referred to in clause (3) are so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent as the arithmetic mean of the prime rates or base lending rates quoted on the basis of the actual number of days in the year divided by a 360-day year as of the close of business on that Interest Determination Date by three major banks (which may include affiliates of the Agents) in The City of New York selected by the Calculation Agent, or
- (5) if the banks so selected by the Calculation Agent are not quoting as mentioned in clause (4), the Prime Rate in effect on the particular Interest Determination Date.

Treasury Rate. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, Treasury Rate means:

(1) the rate from the auction held on the particular Interest Determination Date (the Auction) of direct obligations of the United States (Treasury Bills) having the Index Maturity specified in the applicable pricing supplement under the caption INVEST RATE

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on the display on Reuters (or any successor service) on page USAUCTION 10 (or any other page as may replace that page on that service) (Reuters Page USAUCTION 10) or page USAUCTION 11 (or any other page as may replace that page on that service) (Reuters Page USAUCTION 11) or, if not so displayed, on the Bloomberg service (or any successor service) on page AUCK 18 (or any other page as may replace the specified page on that service) (Bloomberg Page AUCK 18), or

- (2) if the rate referred to in clause (1) is not so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, the Bond Equivalent Yield (as defined below) of the rate for the applicable Treasury Bills as published in H.15 Daily Update, or another recognized electronic source used for the purpose of displaying the applicable rate, under the caption U.S. Government Securities/ Treasury Bills/ Auction High , or
- (3) if the rate referred to in clause (2) is not so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, the Bond Equivalent Yield of the auction rate of the applicable Treasury Bills as announced by the United States Department of the Treasury, or
- (4) if the rate referred to in clause (3) is not so announced by the United States Department of the Treasury, or if the Auction is not held, the Bond Equivalent Yield of the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date of the applicable Treasury Bills as published in H.15(519) under the caption U.S. Government Securities/ Treasury Bills/ Secondary Market , or
- (5) if the rate referred to in clause (4) not so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date of the applicable Treasury Bills as published in H.15 Daily Update, or another recognized electronic source used for the purpose of displaying the applicable rate, under the caption U.S. Government Securities/ Treasury Bills/ Secondary Market , or
- (6) if the rate referred to in clause (5) is not so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the related Calculation Date, the rate on the particular Interest Determination Date calculated by the Calculation Agent as the Bond Equivalent Yield of the arithmetic mean of the secondary market bid rates, as of approximately 3:30 P.M., New York City time, on that Interest Determination Date, of three primary United States government securities dealers (which may include the Agents or their affiliates) selected by the Calculation Agent, for the issue of Treasury Bills with a remaining maturity closest to the Index Maturity specified in the applicable pricing supplement, or
- (7) if the dealers so selected by the Calculation Agent are not quoting as mentioned in clause (6), the Treasury Rate in effect on the particular Interest Determination Date.

Bond Equivalent Yield means a yield (expressed as a percentage) calculated in accordance with the following formula:

Bond Equivalent Yield
$$D \times N$$
 = $360 - (D \times M)$

where D refers to the applicable per annum rate for Treasury Bills quoted on a bank discount basis and expressed as a decimal, N refers to 365 or 366, as the case may be, and M refers to the actual number of days in the applicable Interest Reset Period.

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Certain Covenants

With respect to the notes offered under this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus, the covenant limiting our incurrence of debt as set forth in Section 1004(a) of the Indenture and described on page 8 of the accompanying prospectus under the heading Description of Debt Securities-Covenants Under the Senior Indenture, shall be superseded by a similar covenant that changes the limitation of our outstanding debt on a consolidated basis determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles from 60% to 65%. For the notes offered under this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus, the new covenant that replaces the covenant set forth in Section 1004(a) of the Indenture (and which is described on page 8 of the accompanying prospectus) provides that we will not, and will not permit any subsidiary to, incur any Debt (as defined beginning on page 9 of the accompanying prospectus) if, immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of the additional Debt and the application of the proceeds from the Debt, the aggregate principal amount of all of our outstanding Debt on a consolidated basis determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles is greater than 65% of the sum of, without duplication:

our Total Assets (as defined on page 10 of the accompanying prospectus) as of the end of the calendar quarter covered in our Annual Report on Form 10-K or Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, as the case may be, most recently filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or, if the filing is not permitted under the Exchange Act, with the trustee, prior to the incurrence of the additional Debt, and

the purchase price of any real estate assets or mortgages receivable acquired, and the amount of any securities offering proceeds received, to the extent the proceeds were not used to acquire real estate assets or mortgages receivable or used to reduce Debt, by us or any subsidiary since the end of the calendar quarter, including those proceeds obtained in connection with the incurrence of the additional Debt.

In addition to the covenants discussed in the accompanying prospectus under the section entitled Description of Debt Securities, we are required to maintain Total Unencumbered Assets of not less than 150% of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of our Unsecured Debt. For purposes of this covenant, the following capitalized terms are defined as follows:

Total Unencumbered Assets means the sum of (i) those Undepreciated Real Estate Assets not subject to an encumbrance and (ii) all other assets of UDR and its Subsidiaries not subject to encumbrance determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (but excluding accounts receivable and intangibles).

Subsidiaries or Subsidiary means a corporation, a limited liability company or a partnership a majority of the outstanding voting stock, limited liability company or partnership interests, as the case may be, of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by UDR or by one or more other Subsidiaries of UDR. For purposes of this definition, voting stock means stock having voting power for the election of directors, managing members or trustees, whether at all times or only so long as no senior class of stock has such voting power by reason of any contingency.

Undepreciated Real Estate Assets as of any date means the original cost plus capital improvements of real estate assets of UDR and its Subsidiaries determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Unsecured Debt means debt of UDR or any Subsidiary that is not secured by any mortgage, lien, charge, pledge or security interest of any kind upon any of their properties.

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Other/ Additional Provisions; Addendum

Any provisions with respect to the notes, including the specification and determination of one or more Interest Rate Bases, the calculation of the interest rate applicable to a floating rate note, the Interest Payment Dates, the stated maturity date, any redemption or repayment provisions or any other term relating to the notes, may be modified and/or supplemented as specified under Other/ Additional Provisions on the face of the applicable notes or in an addendum relating to the applicable notes, if so specified on the face of the applicable notes, and, in each case, as specified in the applicable pricing supplement.

Discount Notes

We may from time to time offer notes, that we refer to herein as discount notes, that have an Issue Price (as specified in the applicable pricing supplement) that is less than 100% of the principal amount thereof (i.e. par) by more than a percentage equal to the product of 0.25% and the number of full years to the stated maturity date. Discount notes may not bear any interest currently or may bear interest at a rate that is below market rates at the time of issuance. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, the difference between the Issue Price of a discount note and par is referred to as the discount. In the event of redemption, repayment or acceleration of maturity of a discount note, the amount payable to the holder of a discount note will be equal to the sum of:

the Issue Price (increased by any accruals of discount) and, in the event of any redemption of the applicable discount note, if applicable, multiplied by the initial redemption percentage specified in the applicable pricing supplement (as adjusted by the annual redemption percentage reduction, if applicable), and

any unpaid interest accrued on the discount notes to the date of the redemption, repayment or acceleration of maturity, as the case may be.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, for purposes of determining the amount of discount that has accrued as of any date on which a redemption, repayment or acceleration of maturity occurs for a discount note, a discount will be accrued using a constant yield method. The constant yield will be calculated using a 30-day month, 360-day year convention, a compounding period that, except for the Initial Period (as defined below), corresponds to the shortest period between Interest Payment Dates for the applicable discount note (with ratable accruals within a compounding period), a coupon rate equal to the initial coupon rate applicable to the discount note and an assumption that the maturity of a discount note will not be accelerated. If the period from the date of issue to the first Interest Payment Date for a discount note (the Initial Period) is shorter than the compounding period for the discount note, a proportionate amount of the yield for an entire compounding period will be accrued. If the Initial Period is longer than the compounding period, then the period will be divided into a regular compounding period and a short period with the short period being treated as provided in the preceding sentence. The accrual of the applicable discount may differ from the accrual of original issue discount for purposes of the Internal Revenue Code, certain discount notes may not be treated as having original issue discount within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code, and notes other than discount notes may be treated as issued with original issue discount for U.S. federal income tax purposes. See Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations.

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Indexed Notes

We may from time to time offer notes, referred to herein as indexed notes, with the amount of principal, premium and/or interest payable in respect thereof to be determined with reference to the price or prices of specified commodities or stocks, to the exchange rate of one or more designated currencies relative to one or more other indexed currencies or to other items, in each case as specified in the applicable pricing supplement. In certain cases, holders of indexed notes may receive a principal payment on the maturity date that is greater than or less than the principal amount of such indexed notes depending upon the relative value on the maturity date of the specified indexed item. Information as to the method for determining the amount of principal, premium, if any, and/or interest, if any, payable in respect of indexed notes, certain historical information with respect to the specified indexed item and any material U.S. tax considerations associated with an investment in indexed notes will be specified in the applicable pricing supplement.

Amortizing Notes

We may from time to time offer notes, referred to herein as amortizing notes, with the amount of principal thereof and interest thereon payable in installments over their terms. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, interest on each amortizing note will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. Payments with respect to amortizing notes will be applied first to interest due and payable thereon and then to the reduction of the unpaid principal amount thereof. Further information concerning additional terms and provisions of amortizing notes will be specified in the applicable pricing supplement, including a table setting forth repayment information for such amortizing notes.

Book-Entry Notes

We have established a depositary arrangement with The Depository Trust Company with respect to the book-entry notes, the terms of which are summarized below. Any additional or differing terms of the depositary arrangement with respect to the book-entry notes will be described in the applicable pricing supplement.

Upon issuance, all book-entry notes of like tenor and terms up to \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount bearing interest (if any), at the same rate or pursuant to the same formula and having the same date of issue, specified currency, Interest Payment Dates, if any, stated maturity date, redemption provisions (if any), repayment provisions (if any) and other terms, will be represented by a single global security. Each global security representing book-entry notes will be deposited with, or on behalf of, the Depositary and will be registered in the name of the Depositary or a nominee of the Depositary. No global security may be transferred except as a whole by a nominee of the Depositary to the Depositary or to another nominee of the Depositary, or by the Depositary or another nominee of the Depositary to a successor of the Depositary or a nominee of a successor to the Depositary.

So long as the Depositary or its nominee is the registered holder of a global security, the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, will be the sole owner of the book-entry notes represented thereby for all purposes under the Indenture. Except as otherwise provided below, the Beneficial Owners of the global security or securities representing book-entry notes will not be entitled to receive physical delivery of certificated notes and will not be considered the registered holders thereof for any purpose under the Indenture, and no global security representing book-entry notes shall be exchangeable or transferable. Accordingly, each

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Beneficial Owner must rely on the procedures of the Depositary and, if that Beneficial Owner is not a Participant (as defined below), on the procedures of the Participant through which that Beneficial Owner owns its interest to exercise any rights of a registered holder under the Indenture. The laws of some jurisdictions require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of securities in certificated form. Such limits and laws may impair the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a global security representing book-entry notes.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, each global security representing book-entry notes will be exchangeable for certificated notes of like tenor and terms and of differing authorized denominations in a like aggregate principal amount, only if (i) the Depositary notifies us that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary for the global securities or the Depositary has ceased to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in any such case we fail to appoint a successor to the Depositary within 90 calendar days, (ii) we, in our sole discretion, determine that the global securities shall be exchangeable for certificated notes or (iii) an Event of Default (as defined in the Indenture) has occurred and is continuing with respect to the notes under the Indenture and beneficial owners representing a majority in principal amount of the book-entry notes represented by the global securities advise the Depositary to cease acting as depository for the global securities. Upon any such exchange, the certificated notes shall be registered in the names of the Beneficial Owners of the global security or securities representing book-entry notes, which names shall be provided by the Depositary s relevant Participants (as identified by the Depositary) to the trustee.

The following is based on information furnished by the Depositary:

The Depositary will act as securities depository for the book-entry notes. The book-entry notes will be issued as fully registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (the Depositary s partnership nominee). One fully registered global security will be issued for each issue of book-entry notes, each in the aggregate principal amount of such issue, and will be deposited with the Depositary. If, however, the aggregate principal amount of any issue exceeds \$500,000,000, one global security will be issued with respect to each \$500,000,000 of principal amount and an additional global security will be issued with respect to any remaining principal amount of such issue.

The Depositary is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a banking organization within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a clearing agency registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depositary holds securities that its participants (Participants) deposit with the Depositary. The Depositary also facilitates the settlement among Participants of securities transactions, such as transfers and pledges, in deposited securities through electronic computerized book-entry changes in its Participants accounts, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants of the Depositary (Direct Participants) include securities brokers and dealers (including the agents), banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. The Depositary is owned by a number of its Direct Participants and by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange Inc., and the NASD, Inc. (formerly the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.). Access to the Depositary s system is also available to others such as securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant,

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either directly or indirectly (Indirect Participants). The rules applicable to the Depositary and its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Purchases of book-entry notes under the Depositary s system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for such book-entry notes on the Depositary s records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each book-entry note represented by a global security (Beneficial Owner) is in turn to be recorded on the records of Direct Participants and Indirect Participants. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from the Depositary of their purchase, but Beneficial Owners are expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct Participants or Indirect Participants through which such Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in a global security representing book-entry notes are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners of a global security representing book-entry notes will not receive certificated notes representing their ownership interests therein, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for such book-entry notes is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all global securities representing book-entry notes which are deposited with, or on behalf of, the Depositary are registered in the name of the Depositary's nominee, Cede & Co. The deposit of global securities with, or on behalf of, the Depositary and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. effect no change in beneficial ownership. The Depositary has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the global securities representing the book-entry notes; the Depositary's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such book-entry notes are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by the Depositary to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Neither the Depositary nor Cede & Co. will consent or vote with respect to the global securities representing the book-entry notes. Under its usual procedures, the Depositary mails an Omnibus Proxy to a company as soon as possible after the applicable Record Date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co. s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the book-entry notes are credited on the applicable Record Date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal, premium, if any, and/or interest, if any, payments on the global securities representing the book-entry notes will be made in immediately available funds to the Depositary. The Depositary's practice is to credit Direct Participants accounts on the applicable payment date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on the Depositary's records unless the Depositary has reason to believe that it will not receive payment on such date. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in street name, and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of the Depositary, the trustee or us, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal, premium, if any, and/or interest, if any, to the Depositary is the responsibility of

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the company and the trustee, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants shall be the responsibility of the Depositary, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners shall be the responsibility of Direct Participants and Indirect Participants.

If applicable, redemption notices shall be sent to Cede & Co. If less than all of the book-entry notes of like tenor and terms within an issue are being redeemed, the Depositary s practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

A Beneficial Owner shall give notice of any option to elect to have its book-entry notes repaid by us, through its Participant, to the trustee, and shall effect delivery of such book-entry notes by causing the Direct Participant to transfer the Participant s interest in the global security or securities representing such book-entry notes, on the Depositary s records, to the trustee. The requirement for physical delivery of book-entry notes in connection with a demand for repayment will be deemed satisfied when the ownership rights in the global security or securities representing such book-entry notes are transferred by Direct Participants on the Depositary s records.

The Depositary may discontinue providing its services as securities depository with respect to the book-entry notes at any time by giving reasonable notice to us or the trustee. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor securities depository is not obtained, certificated notes are required to be printed and delivered.

We may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfers through the Depositary (or a successor securities depository). In that event, certificated notes will be printed and delivered.

The information in this section concerning the Depositary and the Depositary s system has been obtained from sources that we believe to be reliable, but neither we nor any agent takes any responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

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SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO FOREIGN CURRENCY NOTES

General

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, foreign currency notes will not be sold in, or to residents of, the country issuing the Specified Currency. The information set forth in this prospectus supplement is directed to prospective purchasers who are United States residents and, with respect to foreign currency notes, is by necessity incomplete. We and the agents disclaim any responsibility to advise prospective purchasers who are residents of countries other than the United States with respect to any matters that may affect the purchase, holding or receipt of payments of principal of, and premium, if any, and interest, if any, on, their foreign currency notes. These purchasers should consult their own financial and legal advisors with regard to these risks. See Risk Factors Foreign Currency Notes are Subject to Exchange Rate and Exchange Control Risks.

Payment of Principal, Premium, if Any, and Interest, if Any

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, we are obligated to make payments of principal of, and premium, if any, and interest, if any, on, a foreign currency note in the Specified Currency. Any amounts so payable by us in the Specified Currency will be converted by the exchange rate agent named in the applicable pricing supplement (the Exchange Rate Agent) into U.S. dollars for payment to the registered holders thereof unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement or a registered holder elects, in the manner described below, to receive these amounts in the Specified Currency.

Any U.S. dollar amount to be received by a registered holder of a foreign currency note will be based on the highest bid quotation in The City of New York received by the Exchange Rate Agent at approximately 11:00 A.M., New York City time, on the second business day preceding the applicable payment date from three recognized foreign exchange dealers (one of whom may be the Exchange Rate Agent) selected by the Exchange Rate Agent and approved by us for the purchase by the quoting dealer of the Specified Currency for U.S. dollars for settlement on that payment date in the aggregate amount of the Specified Currency payable to all registered holders of foreign currency notes scheduled to receive U.S. dollar payments and at which the applicable dealer commits to execute a contract. All currency exchange costs will be borne by the registered holders of foreign currency notes by deductions from any payments. If three bid quotations are not available, payments will be made in the Specified Currency.

Registered holders of foreign currency notes may elect to receive all or a specified portion of any payment of principal, premium, if any, and/or interest, if any, in the Specified Currency by submitting a written request to the trustee at its corporate trust office in The City of New York on or prior to the applicable Record Date or at least fifteen calendar days prior to the maturity date, as the case may be. This written request may be mailed or hand delivered or sent by cable, telex or other form of facsimile transmission. A holder of foreign currency notes may elect to receive all or a specified portion of all future payments in the Specified Currency and need not file a separate election for each payment. This election will remain in effect until revoked by written notice delivered to the trustee on or prior to a Record Date or at least fifteen calendar days prior to the maturity date, as the case may be. Registered holders of foreign currency notes to be held in the name of a broker or nominee should contact their broker or nominee to determine whether and how an election to receive payments in the Specified Currency may be made.

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Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, if the Specified Currency is other than U.S. dollars, a Beneficial Owner of a global security or securities which elects to receive payments of principal, premium, if any, and/or interest, if any, in the Specified Currency must notify the Participant through which it owns its interest on or prior to the applicable Record Date or at least fifteen calendar days prior to the maturity date, as the case may be, of its election. The applicable Participant must notify the Depositary of its election on or prior to the third business day after the applicable Record Date or at least twelve calendar days prior to the maturity date, as the case may be, and the Depositary will notify the trustee of that election on or prior to the fifth business day after the applicable Record Date or at least ten calendar days prior to the maturity date, as the case may be. If complete instructions are received by the Participant from the applicable Beneficial Owner and forwarded by the Participant to the Depositary, and by the Depositary to the trustee, on or prior to such dates, then the applicable Beneficial Owner will receive payments in the Specified Currency.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, we are obligated to make payments of the principal of, and premium, if any, and/or interest, if any, on, foreign currency notes which are to be made in U.S. dollars. We will make payments of interest, if any, on foreign currency notes which are to be made in the Specified Currency on an Interest Payment Date other than the maturity date by check mailed to the address of the registered holders of their foreign currency notes as they appear in the security register, subject to the right to receive these interest payments by wire transfer of immediately available funds under the circumstances described under Description of Notes General. We will make payments of principal of, and premium, if any, and/or interest, if any, on, foreign currency notes which are to be made in the Specified Currency on the maturity date by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account with a bank designated at least fifteen calendar days prior to the maturity date by the applicable registered holder, provided the particular bank has appropriate facilities to make these payments and the particular foreign currency note is presented and surrendered at the office or agency maintained by us for this purpose in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, in time for the trustee to make these payments in accordance with its normal procedures.

Availability of Specified Currency

If the Specified Currency for foreign currency notes is not available for any required payment of principal, premium, if any, and/or interest, if any, due to the imposition of exchange controls or other circumstances beyond our control, we will be entitled to satisfy our obligations to the registered holders of these foreign currency notes by making payments in U.S. dollars on the basis of the Market Exchange Rate, computed by the Exchange Rate Agent, on the second business day prior to the particular payment or, if the Market Exchange Rate is not then available, on the basis of the most recently available Market Exchange Rate or as otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement.

The Market Exchange Rate for a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars means the noon dollar buying rate in The City of New York for cable transfers for the Specified Currency as certified for customs purposes (or, if not so certified, as otherwise determined) by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Any payment made in U.S. dollars under such circumstances shall not constitute an Event of Default (as defined in the Indenture).

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All determinations referred to above made by the Exchange Rate Agent shall be at its sole discretion and shall, in the absence of manifest error, be conclusive for all purposes and binding on the registered holders of the foreign currency notes.

Judgments

Under current New York law, a state court in the State of New York would be required to render a judgment in respect of a foreign currency note in the Specified Currency, and a judgment in the Specified Currency would be converted into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate prevailing on the date of entry of the judgment. Accordingly, registered holders of foreign currency notes would be subject to exchange rate fluctuations between the date of entry of a foreign currency judgment and the time when the amount of the foreign currency judgment is paid in U.S. dollars and converted by the applicable registered holder into the Specified Currency. We have not consented to be sued in New York state court and it is not certain whether a New York state court would otherwise have jurisdiction to enter a binding judgment against us in respect of a foreign currency note. It is also not certain whether a non-New York state court would follow the same rules and procedures with respect to conversions of foreign currency judgments. We will indemnify the registered holder of any note against any loss incurred as a result of any judgment or order being given or made for any amount due under the particular note and that judgment or order requiring payment in a currency (the Judgment Currency) other than the Specified Currency, and as a result of any variation between:

the rate of exchange at which the Specified Currency amount is converted into the Judgment Currency for the purpose of that judgment or order, and

the rate of exchange at which the registered holder, on the date of payment of that judgment or order, is able to purchase the Specified Currency with the amount of the Judgment Currency actually received.

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MATERIAL U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

This section supplements the discussion under the caption Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations in the accompanying prospectus. The following discussion describes the material U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to the ownership and disposition of our notes. Because this is a summary that is intended to address only material U.S. federal income tax consequences generally relevant to all holders relating to the ownership and disposition of our notes, it may not contain all the information that may be important to you. Except as discussed under the caption General below, this discussion does not address any aspects of U.S. federal income taxation relating to our election to be taxed as a real estate investment trust. A summary of material U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to our election to be taxed as a real estate investment trust, or REIT, is provided in the accompanying prospectus. The discussion under the caption General below supersedes the corresponding discussion under the caption Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations General in the accompanying prospectus. The discussion under the caption Recent Tax Legislation below provides important information concerning recent legislative changes to the discussion under the caption Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations in the accompany prospectus.

We urge you to consult your tax advisors regarding the specific tax consequences to you of the a