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TREASURY ANNOUNCES DEBT BUYBACK OPERATION

On August 16, 2001, the Treasury will buy back up to \$1,750 million par of its outstanding issues that mature between February 2015 and August 2019. Treasury reserves the right to accept less than the announced amount.

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

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

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

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

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Attachment

HIGHLIGHTS OF TREASURY DEBT BUYBACK OPERATION

August 15, 2001

Par amount to be bought back ... Up to \$1,750 million

Operation date August 16, 2001

Operation close time 11:00 a.m. eastern daylight saving time

Settlement date August 20, 2001

Minimum par offer amount \$100,000

Multiples of par\$100,000

Format for offers.... Expressed in terms of price per \$100 of par with three decimals. The first two decimals represent fractional $32^{\rm nds}$ of a dollar. The third decimal represents eighths of a $32^{\rm nd}$ of a dollar, and must be a 0, 2, 4, or 6.

Delivery instructions ABA Number 021001208 FRB NYC/CUST

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

				Par Amount	Par Amount
Coupon	Maturity	CUSIP	Par Amount	Privately	Held as
Rate (%)	Date	Number	Outstanding*	Held*	STRIPS**
11.250	02/15/2015	912810 DP 0	11,086	9,240	3,520
10.625	08/15/2015	912810 DS 4	4,391	3,224	982
9.875	11/15/2015	912810 DT 2	5,667	4,660	2,331
9.250	02/15/2016	912810 DV 7	5,812	4,775	474
7.250	05/15/2016	912810 DW 5	18,824	17,724	133
7.500	11/15/2016	912810 DX 3	18,824	17,168	1,410
8.750	05/15/2017	912810 DY 1	16,242	13,487	7,227
8.875	08/15/2017	912810 DZ 8	12,031	9,973	2,897
9.125	05/15/2018	912810 EA 2	7,072	5,833	4,300
9.000	11/15/2018	912810 EB 0	7,614	6,734	4,086
8.875	02/15/2019	912810 EC 8	14,833	12,460	5,806
8.125	08/15/2019	912810 ED 6	19,096	16,556	836
		Total	141,492	121,834	34,002

^{*} Par amounts are as of August 14, 2001.

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

^{**} Par amounts are as of August 13, 2001.