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TREASURY CONFIRMS AUCTION OF 9-3/4-YEAR NOTES

The Treasury confirmed a \$10,000 million reopening of the 9-3/4-year 4-3/4% notes maturing November 15, 2008. At 9:00 a.m. Eastern Standard time, the Treasury determined that the price of the 4-3/4% notes was above \$98.00 per \$100 face amount. Thus, in accordance with its Quarterly Financing announcement of February 3, 1999, the Treasury will auction the 9-3/4-year 4-3/4% notes. All other particulars in that announcement remain the same.

As the reopening is intended to alleviate an acute, protracted shortage of the 9-3/4 year 4-3/4% notes, any discount will be treated as market discount, not as original issue discount, for Federal income tax purposes. (See 26 CFR §1.1275-2(d)(2) (providing for the tax treatment of reopenings of Treasury securities intended to alleviate an acute, protracted shortage).)

Tenders will be received for this note under the temporary CUSIP number 912827 5B 4 given in the Treasury's announcement of February 4, 1999. However, the notes will be issued to successful competitive and to all noncompetitive bidders under the CUSIP number 912827 4V 1, given in the original February 3, 1999, announcement. The closing times for receipt of tenders for this auction remain 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. Eastern Standard time for noncompetitive and competitive tenders, respectively.

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