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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered

Debt Securities

Maximum Aggregate Offering Price \$ 348,096,000 Amount of Registration Fee(1)(2) \$ 13,680.17

(1) Calculated in accordance with Rule 457(r) under the Securities Act of 1933.

PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT (To Prospectus dated March 9, 2009)

\$350,000,000 5.75% Senior Notes due April 1, 2014

We are offering \$350,000,000 principal amount of our 5.75% Senior Notes due April 1, 2014, which we refer to in this prospectus supplement as our senior notes.

We will pay interest on our senior notes on each April 1 and October 1, commencing October 1, 2009. The senior notes will be issued in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess of \$2,000.

We may redeem the senior notes in whole or in part at any time at the redemption price set forth in this prospectus supplement.

The senior notes will be unsecured and will rank equally with all of our other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness from time to time outstanding. The senior notes will be structurally subordinated to all existing and future liabilities of our subsidiaries.

There is no existing public market for the senior notes. We do not intend to list the senior notes on any securities exchange or any automated quotation system.

Investing in these senior notes involves risks. See Risk Factors on page S-4.

	Per Senior Note	Total
Public Offering Price ⁽¹⁾	99.456%	\$ 348,096,000
Underwriting Discount	0.60%	\$ 2,100,000
Proceeds to PG&E Corporation (before expenses) ⁽¹⁾	98.856%	\$ 345,996,000

⁽¹⁾ Plus accrued interest, if any, from and including original issuance of the senior notes which is expected to be March 12, 2009.

None of the Securities and Exchange Commission, any state securities commission or any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The senior notes are expected to be delivered on or about March 12, 2009 through the book-entry facilities of The Depository Trust Company.

Joint Book-Running Managers

BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC

Citi

Goldman, Sachs & Co.

Co-Managers

The Williams Capital Group, L.P.

Ramirez & Co., Inc.

Utendahl Capital Partners, L.P.

March 9, 2009

This prospectus supplement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying prospectus. You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus, the information incorporated by reference and any free writing prospectus prepared by us. Neither we nor any underwriter 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 any underwriter is making an offer to sell the senior notes in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information contained in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and any free writing prospectus prepared by us is accurate only as of the date hereof or thereof.

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Unless otherwise indicated, when used in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, the terms we, our and us refer to PG&E Corporation and our consolidated subsidiaries. The term Utility refers to our subsidiary, Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

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This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus contain forward-looking statements that are necessarily subject to various risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements in this prospectus supplement are based on current estimates, expectations and projections about future events, and assumptions regarding these events and management s knowledge of facts as of the date of this prospectus supplement. These forward-looking statements relate to, among other matters, estimated capital expenditures, our estimated rate base, estimated environmental remediation liabilities, the anticipated outcome of various regulatory and legal proceedings, future cash flows, and the level of future equity or debt issuances, and are also identified by words such as assume, expect, pro believe. estimate. predict. anticipate. aim. may. might. should. would. could. goal, potential We are not able to predict all the factors that may affect future results. See Forward-Looking Statements in the accompanying prospectus, for some of the factors that could cause future results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements, or from historical results.

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RISK FACTORS

Investing in the senior notes involves risk. These risks are described under Risk Factors in Item 1A of our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. See Where You Can Find More Information in the accompanying prospectus. Before making a decision to invest in the senior notes, you should carefully consider these risks as well as other information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

OUR COMPANY

We are a holding company whose primary purpose is to hold interests in energy-based businesses. We conduct our business principally through Pacific Gas and Electric Company, or the Utility, a public utility operating in northern and central California. The Utility engages in the businesses of electricity and natural gas distribution, electricity generation, procurement and transmission, and natural gas procurement, transportation and storage. The Utility was incorporated in California in 1905. We were incorporated in California in 1995 and became the holding company of the Utility and its subsidiaries on January 1, 1997.

The Utility served approximately 5.1 million electricity distribution customers and approximately 4.3 million natural gas distribution customers at December 31, 2008. The Utility had approximately \$40.5 billion of assets at December 31, 2008, and generated revenues of approximately \$14.6 billion in 2008. Its revenues are generated mainly through the sale and delivery of electricity and natural gas. The Utility is regulated primarily by the California Public Utilities Commission and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Our principal executive office is located at One Market, Spear Tower, Suite 2400, San Francisco, California 94105, and our telephone number is (415) 267-7000. The principal executive office of the Utility is located at 77 Beale Street, P.O. Box 770000, San Francisco, California 94177, and its telephone number is (415) 973-7000.

RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth our historical ratio of earnings to fixed charges for each of the fiscal years indicated.

2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
3.20x	2.68x	2.86x	3.36x	9.69x

For the purpose of computing our ratio of earnings to fixed charges, earnings represent net income adjusted for the minority interest in losses of less than 100% owned affiliates, equity in undistributed income or losses of less than 50% owned affiliates, income taxes and fixed charges (excluding capitalized interest). Fixed charges include interest on long-term debt and short-term borrowings (including a representative portion of rental expenses), amortization of bond premium, discount and expense, interest on capital leases, allowance for funds used during construction debt, and earnings required to cover the preferred stock dividend requirements and preferred security distribution requirements of a majority-owned trust. Fixed charges exclude interest on Financial Accounting Standards Board Interpretation No. 48 (Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes) tax liabilities.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the net proceeds from this offering will be approximately \$345.5 million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. We intend to contribute the net proceeds from the sale of the senior notes to the Utility which will use the funds for general corporate purposes.

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CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth our consolidated capitalization as of December 31, 2008, and as adjusted to give effect to the issuance and sale of the senior notes and the use of proceeds from this offering as set forth under. Use of Proceeds above. This table should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and related notes as of and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. See. Where You Can Find More Information in the accompanying prospectus.

	As of December 31, 2008			
	A	Actual	As A	Adjusted
	(in millions)			
Current Liabilities:				
Short-term borrowings(1)	\$	287	\$	0
Long-term debt, classified as current:				
Current portion of long-term debt(2)		600		600
Current portion of energy recovery bonds(3)		370		370
Total long-term debt, classified as current	\$	1,257	\$	970
Capitalization:				
Long-term debt(4)	\$	9,321	\$	9,669
Energy recovery bonds(3)		1,213		1,213
Shareholders equity(5)		9,629		9,629
Total capitalization	\$	20,163	\$	20,511

- (1) Actual short-term borrowings consisted of \$287 million of commercial paper issued by the Utility, and as adjusted short-term borrowings takes into account the application of the net proceeds of the Utility s senior notes issued on March 6, 2009.
- (2) The entire \$600 million of current portion long-term debt matured on March 1, 2009.
- (3) PG&E Energy Recovery Funding LLC, or PERF, a legally separate but wholly-owned, consolidated subsidiary of the Utility, issued energy recovery bonds, or ERBs, supported by a dedicated rate component, or DRC, the proceeds of which were used to purchase from the Utility the right, known as recovery property, to be paid a specified amount from a DRC. DRC charges are collected by the Utility and remitted to PERF for payment of the ERBs principal, interest and miscellaneous associated expenses. The ERBs are secured solely by the recovery property. Our creditors and the Utility s creditors have no recourse to the assets of PERF and its creditors have no recourse to our or the Utility s assets.
- (4) Actual long-term debt consisted of \$1,563 million of pollution control bonds issued for the benefit of the Utility, \$7,478 million of senior notes issued by the Utility and \$280 million of our convertible subordinated 9.50% notes due 2010, and as adjusted long-term debt also includes \$543 million of senior notes issued by the Utility on March 6, 2009 and the senior notes offered hereby, in each case, net of any discounts and premiums.

(5) Includes \$252 million of preferred stock of the Utility.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SENIOR NOTES

General

You should read the following information in conjunction with the statements under Description of the Senior Notes in the accompanying prospectus.

As used in this section, the terms we, us and our refer to PG&E Corporation, and not to any of our subsidiaries.

The senior notes are being offered in an initial aggregate principal amount of \$350,000,000 and will mature on April 1, 2014.

We will issue the senior notes under an indenture dated as of March 12, 2009, between us and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as trustee, as supplemented by a supplemental indenture between us and the trustee. Please read the indenture because it, and not this description, defines your rights as holders of the senior notes. We filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 9, 2009 a copy of the form of indenture as an exhibit to a Form 8-K.

Pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, or the 1939 Act, if a default occurs on the senior notes, Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas may be required to resign as trustee under the indenture if it has a conflicting interest (as defined in the 1939 Act), unless the default is cured, duly waived or otherwise eliminated within 90 days.

We may without consent of the holders of the senior notes issue additional senior notes under the indenture, having the same terms in all respects to the senior notes (except for the public offering price and the issue date and, in some cases, the first interest payment date) so that those additional notes will be consolidated and form a single series with the other outstanding senior notes.

The senior notes will bear interest from March 12, 2009 at 5.75% per annum, payable semiannually on each April 1 and October 1, commencing on October 1, 2009, to holders of record on the 15th day prior to the interest payment date.

We will issue the senior notes in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess of \$2,000.

The senior notes will be redeemable at our option, in whole or in part, at any time as described under Optional Redemption below.

Interest on the senior notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. If any payment date falls on a day that is not a business day, the payment will be made on the next business day, but we will consider that payment as being made on the date that the payment was due to you. In that event, no interest will accrue on the amount payable for the period from and after the payment date.

We will issue the senior notes in the form of one or more global securities, which will be deposited with, or on behalf of, The Depository Trust Company, or DTC, and registered in the name of DTC s nominee. Information regarding DTC s book-entry system is set forth below under Book-Entry System; Global Notes.

Ranking

The senior notes will be our direct, unsecured and unsubordinated obligations and will rank equally with all our other existing and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations. The senior notes will be effectively subordinated to all our secured debt. We are a holding company that conducts our business principally through the Utility. Thus, as a practical matter, the senior notes will be effectively subordinated to all existing and future obligations, including trade payable and other unsecured debt, of the Utility, as well as to all existing and future obligations of our other direct and indirect subsidiaries. As of March 9, 2009, our subsidiaries had approximately \$9.6 billion of long-term debt outstanding that effectively ranks senior to our senior notes.

As of December 31, 2008, we did not have any outstanding secured debt for borrowed money. The indenture contains no restrictions on the amount of additional indebtedness that may be incurred by us.

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Optional Redemption

We may, at our option, redeem the senior notes in whole or in part at any time at a redemption price equal to the greater of:

100% of the principal amount of the senior notes to be redeemed; or

as determined by the Quotation Agent, the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest on the senior notes to be redeemed (not including any portion of payments of interest accrued as of the redemption date) discounted to the redemption date on a semiannual basis at the Adjusted Treasury Rate plus 50 basis points,

plus, in either case, accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date.

The redemption price will be calculated assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

We will mail notice of any redemption at least 30 days but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each registered holder of the senior notes to be redeemed.

Unless we default in payment of the redemption price, on and after the redemption date, interest will cease to accrue on the senior notes or portions of the senior notes called for redemption.

Adjusted Treasury Rate means, with respect to any redemption date, the rate per annum equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, assuming a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for the redemption date.

Business Day means any day that is not a day on which banking institutions in New York City are authorized or required by law or regulation to close.

Comparable Treasury Issue means the United States Treasury security selected by the applicable Quotation Agent as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term of the senior notes to be redeemed that would be used, 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 senior notes to be redeemed.

Comparable Treasury Price means, with respect to any redemption date:

the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for that redemption date, after excluding the highest and lowest of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations; or

if we obtain fewer than four Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations so received.

Quotation Agent means the Reference Treasury Dealer appointed by us for the senior notes.

Reference Treasury Dealer means (1) each of BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co. and their respective successors, unless any of them ceases to be a primary dealer in certain U.S. government securities (Primary Treasury Dealer), in which case we shall substitute another Primary Treasury Dealer; and (2) any other Primary Treasury Dealer selected by us.

Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any redemption date, the average, as determined by us, 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 us by that Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third Business Day preceding that redemption date.

If we redeem only some of the senior notes, DTC s practice is to choose by lot the amount to be redeemed from the senior notes held by each of its participating institutions. DTC will give notice to these participants, and these participants will give notice to any street name holders of any indirect interests in the senior notes to be redeemed according to arrangements among them. These notices may be subject to statutory or regulatory requirements. We will not be responsible for giving notice of a redemption of the senior notes to

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be redeemed to anyone other than the registered holders of the seniors notes to be redeemed, which is currently DTC. If senior notes to be redeemed are no longer held through DTC and fewer than all the senior notes are to be redeemed, selection of senior notes for redemption will be made by the trustee in any manner the trustee deems fair and appropriate.

Subject to the foregoing and to applicable law (including, without limitation, United States federal securities laws), we or our affiliates may, at any time and from time to time, purchase outstanding senior notes by tender, in the open market or by private agreement.

No Sinking Fund

There is no provision for a sinking fund for the senior notes.

Covenants

The indenture restricts us from securing any indebtedness with a lien on any shares of the common stock of any of our significant subsidiaries, except in certain circumstances. The accompanying prospectus describes this covenant (see Limitation on Liens in the accompanying prospectus) and other covenants contained in the indenture in greater detail and should be read prior to investing.

Book-Entry System; Global Notes

Except as set forth below, the senior notes will initially be issued in the form of one or more global notes. The senior notes will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC s partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered security certificate will be issued for the senior notes in the aggregate principal amount of such series, and will be deposited with DTC or the trustee on behalf of DTC. If, however, the aggregate principal amount of the senior notes exceeds \$500 million, one certificate will be issued with respect to each \$500 million of principal amount and an additional certificate will be issued with respect to any remaining principal amount of senior notes. Investors may hold their beneficial interests in a global note directly through DTC or indirectly through organizations which are participants in the DTC system.

Unless and until they are exchanged in whole or in part for certificated notes, the global notes may not be transferred except as a whole by DTC or its nominee.

DTC has advised us as follows:

DTC 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 under the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instrument from over 100 countries that DTC s direct participants deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among direct participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between direct participants—accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation, or DTCC. DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing

Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others, such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a direct participant, either directly or indirectly. DTC has Standard & Poor s highest rating: AAA. The DTC rules applicable to its direct and indirect participants are on file with the SEC. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com and www.dtc.org.

Purchases of the senior notes under the DTC system must be made by or through direct participants, which will receive a credit for the senior notes on DTC s records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each senior note, or the beneficial owner, is, in turn, to be recorded on the direct and indirect participants

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records. Beneficial owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the direct or indirect participant through which the beneficial owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the senior notes are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of direct and indirect participants acting on behalf of beneficial owners. Beneficial owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in senior notes, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the senior notes is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all senior notes deposited by direct participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC s partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of senior notes with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual beneficial owners of the senior notes; DTC s records reflect only the identity of the direct participants to whose accounts the senior notes are credited, which may or may not be the beneficial owners. The direct and indirect participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC 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. Beneficial owners of the senior notes may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the senior notes, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults and proposed amendments to the senior note documents. For example, beneficial owners of senior notes may wish to ascertain whether the nominee holding the senior notes for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to beneficial owners. In the alternative, beneficial owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the senior notes are being redeemed, DTC s practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each direct participant in the senior notes to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to senior notes unless authorized by a direct participant in accordance with DTC s MMI procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an omnibus proxy to the issuer as soon as possible after the record date. The omnibus proxy assigns Cede & Co. s consenting or voting rights to those direct participants to whose accounts senior notes are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the omnibus proxy).

Redemption proceeds, distributions and dividend payments on the senior notes will be made to Cede & Co. or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC s practice is to credit direct participants accounts upon DTC s receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the issuer or the agent on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC s records. 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 the participant and not of DTC nor its nominee, agent or the issuer, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the issuer or agent, disbursement of the payments to direct participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the beneficial owners will be the responsibility of direct and indirect participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depositary with respect to the senior notes at any time by giving reasonable notice to the issuer or the agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depositary is not obtained, senior note certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

We may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depositary). In that event, senior note certificates will be printed and delivered.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC s book-entry system has been obtained from sources that we believe to be reliable but we take no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

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CERTAIN UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES

The following summary describes certain United States federal income tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of the senior notes as of the date hereof. This summary is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, as well as final, temporary and proposed Treasury regulations and administrative and judicial decisions. Legislative, judicial and administrative changes may occur, possibly with retroactive effect, that could affect the accuracy of the statements described herein. This summary generally is addressed only to original purchasers of the senior notes, deals only with senior notes held as capital assets and does not purport to address all United States federal income tax matters that may be relevant to investors in special tax situations, such as insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, financial institutions, dealers in securities or currencies, traders in securities that elect to mark to market, holders of senior notes that are held as a hedge or as part of a hedging, straddle or conversion transaction, certain former citizens or residents of the United States, or United States holders (as defined below) whose functional currency is not the United States dollar. **Persons considering the purchase of the senior notes should consult their own tax advisors concerning the application of United States federal income tax laws, as well as the laws of any state, local or foreign taxing jurisdictions, to their particular situations.**

If a partnership (including an entity treated as a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes) is a beneficial owner of a senior note, the treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend upon the status of the partner and upon the activities of the partnership. A beneficial owner of a senior note that is a partnership, and partners in such a partnership, should consult their tax advisors about the United States federal income tax consequences of holding and disposing of the senior notes.

United States Holders

This section describes the tax consequences to a United States holder. A United States holder is a beneficial owner of a senior note that is (i) a citizen or resident of the United States, (ii) a corporation (including an entity treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes) created or organized in the United States or any state (including the District of Columbia), (iii) an estate whose income is subject to United States federal income tax on a net income basis in respect of the senior note, or (iv) a trust if a United States court can exercise primary supervision over the trust s administration and one or more United States persons are authorized to control all substantial decisions of the trust (or certain trusts that have made a valid election to be treated as a United States person).

If you are not a United States holder, this section does not apply to you. See Non-United States Holders below.

Payment of Interest

We do not believe that the senior notes will be issued with more than a *de minimis* amount of original issue discount, if any. Interest on a senior note will therefore be taxable to a United States holder as ordinary interest income at the time it accrues or is received, in accordance with the United States holder s method of accounting for United States federal income tax purposes.

Sale, Exchange or Retirement of Senior Notes

Upon the sale, exchange or retirement of a senior note, a United States holder will recognize taxable gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized from the sale, exchange, retirement or other disposition (other than amounts attributable to accrued interest not previously included in income, which will be taxable as ordinary interest income) and the United States holder s adjusted tax basis in the senior note. A United States holder s adjusted tax basis

in a senior note will generally equal the cost of the senior note to such holder (excluding amounts attributable to pre-issuance accrued interest) increased by the amount of any accrued but unpaid interest previously included in income. Such gain or loss generally will be capital gain or loss, and will be long-term capital gain or loss if the senior note has been held for more than one year. Capital losses are subject to certain limitations.

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Non-United States Holders

This section describes the tax consequences to a non-United States holder. You are a non-United States holder if you are the beneficial owner of a senior note (other than a partnership) and are not a United States holder for United States federal income tax purposes.

Payment of Interest

A non-United States holder generally will not be subject to United States federal withholding tax with respect to payments of principal and interest on the senior notes, provided that (i) the non-United States holder does not actually or constructively own 10 percent or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of our stock entitled to vote, (ii) the non-United States holder is not for United States federal income tax purposes a controlled foreign corporation related to us (directly or indirectly) through stock ownership, and (iii) the beneficial owner of the senior notes certifies to us or the fiscal and paying agent (on Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or applicable form) under penalties of perjury as to its status as a non-United States holder and complies with applicable identification procedures. Special rules apply to partnerships, estates and trusts and, in certain circumstances, certifications as to foreign status and other matters may be required to be provided by partners and beneficiaries thereof.

Sale, Exchange or Retirement of Senior Notes

A non-United States holder of a senior note generally will not be subject to United States federal income tax on any gain realized upon the sale, exchange, retirement or other disposition of a senior note, unless the non-United States holder is an individual who is present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year of sale, exchange, retirement or other disposition and certain other conditions are met. In such case, the non-United States holder generally will be subject to a 30% tax on any capital gain recognized on the disposition of the senior notes, after being offset by certain United States source capital losses.

United States Trade or Business

If a non-United States holder of a senior note is engaged in a trade or business in the United States and income or gain from the senior note is effectively connected with the conduct of such trade or business, the non-United States holder will be exempt from withholding tax if appropriate certification has been provided, but will generally be subject to regular United States federal income tax on such income and gain in the same manner as if it were a United States holder. In addition, if such non-United States holder is a foreign corporation, it may be subject to a branch profits tax equal to 30 percent (or lower applicable treaty rate) of its effectively connected earnings and profits for the taxable year, subject to adjustments.

Backup Withholding and Information Reporting

In general, payments of interest and the proceeds of sale, exchange, retirement or other disposition of the senior notes payable by a United States paying agent or other United States intermediary will be subject to information reporting. With respect to a non-United States holder, we must report annually to the Internal Revenue Service and to each non-United States holder the amount of any interest paid to such holder regardless of whether any tax was actually withheld. Copies of the information returns reporting such interest payments to a non-United States holder and the amount of any tax withheld also may be made available to the tax authorities in the country in which the non-United States holder resides under the provisions of an applicable income tax treaty. In addition, backup withholding at the then applicable rate (currently 28%) will generally apply to these payments if:

in the case of a United States holder, the holder fails to provide an accurate taxpayer identification number, fails to certify that the holder is not subject to backup withholding or fails to report all interest and dividends required to be shown on its United States federal income tax returns; or

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in the case of a non-United States holder, the holder fails to provide the certification on Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN described above or otherwise does not provide evidence of exempt status.

Certain United States holders (including, among others, corporations) are not subject to information reporting or backup withholding. Any amount paid as backup withholding will be creditable against the holder s United States federal income tax liability and may entitle the holder to a refund, provided that the required information is timely furnished to the Internal Revenue Service. Holders of the senior notes should consult their tax advisors as to their qualification for exemption from backup withholding and the procedure for obtaining such an exemption.

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UNDERWRITING

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in an underwriting agreement between us and the underwriters named below, for whom BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co. are acting as representatives, we have agreed to sell to each of the underwriters, and each of the underwriters has severally and not jointly agreed to purchase from us, the principal amount of senior notes set forth opposite its name below.

Underwriter	Principal Amount of Senior Notes		
BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC	\$ 105,000,000		
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.	105,000,000		
Goldman, Sachs & Co.	105,000,000		
The Williams Capital Group, L.P.	19,250,000		
Samuel A. Ramirez & Company, Inc.	12,250,000		
Utendahl Capital Partners, L.P.	3,500,000		
Total	\$ 350,000,000		

The underwriters have agreed, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the underwriting agreement, to purchase all of the senior notes if any of the senior notes are purchased. The offering of the senior notes by the underwriters is subject to receipt and acceptance of the senior notes from us and subject to the underwriters—right to reject any order in whole or in part.

The underwriters propose to offer the senior notes directly to the public at the public offering price specified on the cover page to this prospectus supplement and may also offer the senior notes to certain dealers at the public offering price less a concession not to exceed 0.35% of the principal amount of the senior notes. The underwriters may allow, and these dealers may reallow, a concession not to exceed 0.25% of the principal amount of the senior notes to certain brokers and dealers. After the initial offering of the senior notes, the underwriters may change the offering price and concession.

The senior notes have no established trading market. We currently have no intention to list the senior notes on any securities exchange or automated dealer quotation system. The underwriters may make a market in the senior notes after completion of the offering, but will not be obligated to make a market in the senior notes and may discontinue such market making at any time without notice. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of the trading market for the senior notes or that an active public market for the senior notes will develop. If an active public trading market for the senior notes does not develop, the market price and liquidity of the senior notes may be adversely affected.

We will agree to indemnify the underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or to contribute to payments which the underwriters may be required to make in respect thereof.

We estimate the expenses for this offering, other than the underwriting commission, to be approximately \$486,000.

We will agree with the underwriters not to, during the period three days from the date of the underwriting agreement, sell, offer to sell, grant any option for the sale of, or otherwise dispose of any debt securities other than the senior

notes, without the prior written consent of each of BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co. This agreement will not apply to issuances of commercial paper or other debt securities with scheduled maturities of less than one year.

In order to facilitate the offering, the underwriters may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the price of the senior notes. Specifically, the underwriters may over-allot in connection with the offering, creating short positions in the senior notes for their own accounts. In addition, to cover over-allotments or to stabilize the price of the senior notes, the underwriters may bid for, and purchase, senior notes in the open market. The underwriters may reclaim selling concessions allowed to an underwriter or dealer for distributing senior notes in the offering, if the underwriters repurchase previously distributed senior notes in transactions to cover short positions, in stabilization transactions or otherwise. Any of these activities may stabilize or maintain the market price of the senior notes above independent market levels. The underwriters are not required to engage in these activities, and may end any of these activities at any time without notice.

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In general, purchases of a security for the purpose of stabilization or to reduce a short position could cause the price of the security to be higher than it might be in the absence of such purchases. The imposition of a penalty bid might also have an effect on the price of a security to the extent that it were to discourage resales of the security.

Neither we nor any underwriter makes any representation or prediction as to the direction or magnitude of any effect that the transactions described above may have on the price of the senior notes. In addition, neither we nor any underwriter makes any representation that the underwriters will engage in such transactions or that such transactions once commenced will not be discontinued without notice.

Certain of the underwriters and their affiliates have engaged and may in the future engage in transactions with, and, from time to time, have performed and may perform investment banking and/or commercial banking services for, us and certain of our affiliates in the ordinary course of business, for which they have received and will receive customary compensation.

Sales of the senior notes by BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC will be effected by Broadpoint Capital, Inc., as distribution agent.

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a Relevant Member State), each underwriter has represented and agreed that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the Relevant Implementation Date) it has not made and will not make an offer of senior notes to the public in that Relevant Member State prior to the publication of a prospectus in relation to the senior notes which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State, all in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, except that it may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of senior notes to the public in that Relevant Member State at any time:

- (a) to legal entities which are authorised or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorised or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities;
- (b) to any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than 43,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than 50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts:
- (c) to fewer than 100 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive) subject to obtaining the prior consent of the representatives for any such offe