File No. 333-109802 PRICING SUPPLEMENT Rule 424(b)(3)

(To Prospectus Supplement and Prospectus dated

November 26, 2003)

Pricing Supplement Number: 2398

Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Medium Term Notes, Series C Due Nine Months or More from Date of Issue

Floating Rate Notes

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600,000,000 Principal Amount: Original Issue Date: October 19,

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2004

CUSIP Number: 59018YUM1 Stated Maturity Date: October 19,

2006

100% Issue Price:

Interest Calculation: Day Count Convention:

/ x / Regular Floating Rate Note / x / Actual/360

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Inverse Floating Rate Note / / 30/360 - --------

(Fixed Interest Rate): / / Actual/Actual

Interest Rate Basis: _ _____

/ x / LIBOR / / Commercial Paper Rate

- ----/ / CMT Rate / / Eleventh District Cost of Funds Rate

- ----

/ / Prime Rate / / CD Rate - ----

/ Federal Funds Rate / / Other (see attached)

/ / Treasury Rate

- ----Designated CMT Page:

CMT Moneyline Telerate Page:

Designated LIBOR Page: LIBOR Moneyline Telerate Page: 3750

LIBOR Reuters Page:

Index Maturity: Three Months Minimum Interest Rate: Not Applicable

Spread: + 0.06% Maximum Interest Rate: Not Applicable

Initial Interest Rate: Calculated as if the Original Issue Spread Multiplier: Not Applicable

Date was an Interest Reset Date

Quarterly, on the 19th of January, April, July and October, commencing on Interest Reset Dates:

January 19, 2005, subject to modified following Business Day convention.

Quarterly, on the 19th of January, April, July and October, commencing on Interest Payment Dates:

January 19, 2005, subject to modified following Business Day convention.

Repayment at the

Option of the Holder: The Notes cannot be repaid prior to the Stated Maturity Date.

Redemption at the

Option of the Company: The Notes cannot be redeemed prior to the Stated Maturity Date.

The Notes are being issued in fully registered book-entry form. Form:

Trustee: JPMorgan Chase Bank Underwriters:

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated ("MLPF&S"), Ramirez & Co., Inc. and & Siebert Capital Markets (the "Underwriters"), are acting as principals in this transaction. MLPF&S is acting as the Lead Underwriter.

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Pursuant to an agreement, dated October 13, 2004 (the "Agreement"), between Merrill

of

Co., Inc. (the "Company") and the Underwriters, the Company has agreed to sell to each

the Underwriters and each of the Underwriters has severally and not jointly agreed to purchase the principal amount of Notes set forth opposite its name below:

Underwriters Principal Amount of the Notes

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith \$588,000,000

Incorporated

Ramirez & Co., Inc. \$6,000,000
Siebert Capital Markets \$6,000,000

Total \$600,000,000

Pursuant to the Agreement, the obligations of the Underwriters are subject to certain conditions and the Underwriters are committed to take and pay for all of the Notes, if

any

are taken.

The Underwriters have advised the Company that they propose initially to offer all or

part

of the Notes directly to the public at the Issue Price listed above. After the initial

public offering, the Issue Price may be changed.

The Company has agreed to indemnify the Underwriters against certain liabilities,

including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Underwriting Discount:

0.175%

Dated: </TABLE>

October 13, 2004