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Prospectus Supplement to Prospectus Dated January 29, 2001

MBNA Master Credit Card Trust II  
Issuer  
MBNA America Bank, National Association  
Seller and Servicer

SERIES 2001-A

\$1,156,250,000 Floating Rate Asset Backed Certificates

The trust will issue--

		Class A certificates -----	Class B certificates -----
Consider carefully the risk factors beginning on page 10 in the prospectus.	Principal amount	\$1,062,500,000	\$93,750,000
	Certificate rate	One-Month LIBOR plus % annually	One-Month LIBOR plus % annually
	Interest paid	Monthly	Monthly
	First interest payment date	April 16, 2001	April 16, 2001
	Scheduled principal payment date	February 15, 2006	February 15, 2006
	Legal final maturity	July 15, 2008	July 15, 2008

A certificate is not a deposit and neither the certificates nor the underlying accounts or receivables are insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency.

Credit enhancement--

The Class B certificates are subordinated to the Class A certificates. Subordination of the Class B certificates provides credit enhancement for the Class A certificates.

The trust is also issuing a collateral interest in the amount of \$93,750,000 that is subordinated to the Class A certificates and the Class B certificates. Subordination of the collateral interest provides credit enhancement for both the Class A certificates and the Class B certificates.

The certificates will represent interests in the trust only and will not represent interests in or obligations of MBNA or any MBNA affiliate.

The Class B Certificates will not be offered by the underwriters, but will be sold directly to one or more affiliates of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated.

This prospectus supplement may be used to offer and sell the certificates only if accompanied by the prospectus.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved the certificates or determined that this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus is accurate or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Underwriters of the Class A certificates

Deutsche Banc Alex. Brown

Merrill Lynch & Co.

Credit Suisse First Boston

Lehman Brothers

JP Morgan

Salomon Smith Barney

January , 2001

Important Notice about Information Presented in this Prospectus Supplement and  
the Accompanying Prospectus

We provide information to you about the certificates in two separate documents: (a) the accompanying prospectus, which provides general information, some of which may not apply to your series of certificates and (b) this prospectus supplement, which describes the specific terms of your series of certificates.

If the terms of your series of certificates vary between this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on the information in this prospectus supplement.

We include cross-references in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus to captions in these materials where you can find further related discussions. The following Table of Contents and the Table of Contents included in the accompanying prospectus provide the pages on which these captions are located.

Parts of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus use defined terms. You can find a listing of the pages where definitions can be found under the caption "Index of Terms for Prospectus Supplement" beginning on page S-47 in this document and under the caption "Index of Terms for Prospectus" on page 59 in the accompanying prospectus.

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#### Summary of Terms

. This summary highlights selected information from this document and does not contain all of the information that you need to consider in making your investment decision. To understand all of the terms of the offering of the certificates, read carefully this entire document and the accompanying prospectus.

. This summary provides an overview of certain calculations, cash flows and other information to aid your understanding and is qualified by the full description of these calculations, cash flows and other information in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

#### Offered Securities

MBNA Master Credit Card Trust II is offering the Class A certificates and the Class B certificates as part of Series 2001-A. The Class A certificates and the Class B certificates represent an interest in the assets of the trust.

The Class B certificates are subordinated to the Class A certificates.

#### Interest Payments

The Class A certificates will accrue interest for each interest period at an annual rate equal to LIBOR plus %.

The Class B certificates will accrue interest for each interest period at an annual rate equal to LIBOR plus %.

Interest accrued during each interest period will be due on each distribution date. Any interest due but not paid on a distribution date will be payable on the next distribution date together with additional interest at the applicable certificate rate plus 2% per annum.

. A distribution date is the 15th day of each month, or if that day is not a business day, the next business day. The first distribution date is April 16, 2001.

. Each interest period begins on and includes a distribution date and ends on but excludes the next distribution date. However, the first interest period will begin on and include February , 2001, which is the closing date, and end on but exclude April 16, 2001, the first distribution date.

. LIBOR is the rate for deposits in U.S. dollars for a one-month period which appears on Telerate Page 3750 (or similar replacement page) as of 11:00 a.m., London time, on the related LIBOR determination date. In addition, see "Description of Series Provisions--Interest Payments" in this prospectus supplement for a discussion of the determination of LIBOR if that rate does not appear on Telerate Page 3750 (or similar replacement page).

- . LIBOR determination dates are:
- . February , 2001, for the period beginning on and including the closing date and ending on but excluding March 15, 2001;
- . March 13, 2001, for the period beginning on and including March 15, 2001 and ending on but excluding April 16, 2001; and
- . for each interest period beginning on or after April 16, 2001, the second London business day prior to the first day of each interest period, for each interest period following the first interest period.

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The following time line shows the relevant dates for the first two interest periods.

First Two Interest Periods			
Closing Date (2/_/01)		Interest Payment (4/16/01)	Interest Payment (5/15/01)
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LIBOR Set (2/_/01)	LIBOR Re-set (3/13/01)	LIBOR Re-set (4/11/01)	LIBOR Re-set (5/11/01)

Other interest periods will follow sequentially after the second interest period.

See "Description of Series Provisions--Interest Payments" in this prospectus supplement for a discussion of the determination of amounts available to pay interest and for the definition of business day and London business day.

You may obtain the certificate rates for the current and immediately preceding interest periods by telephoning The Bank of New York, the trustee, at (212) 815-5731.

#### Principal Payments

You are expected to receive payment of principal in full on February 15, 2006, or, if that date is not a business day, the next business day, which is called the scheduled payment date. However, principal could be paid earlier or later, or in reduced amounts. No principal will be paid to the Class B certificateholders until the Class A certificateholders are paid in full. For a discussion of how amounts are allocated and the timing of principal payments, see "Maturity Considerations" in this prospectus supplement and in the accompanying prospectus and "Description of Series Provisions--Allocation Percentages" in this prospectus supplement.

The final payment of principal and interest on the certificates will be made no later than July 15, 2008, or, if that date is not a business day, the next business day, which is called the Series 2001-A termination date.

See "Description of Series Provisions--Principal Payments" in this prospectus supplement for a discussion of amounts available to pay principal.

#### The Collateral Interest

The trust is also issuing an interest in the assets of the trust that is subordinated to the certificates, called the collateral interest. The initial size of the collateral interest is \$93,750,000, representing 7.5% of the sum of the initial aggregate principal amount of the certificates and the initial size of the collateral interest. As a subordinated interest, the collateral interest is a form of credit enhancement for the certificates. The collateral interest holder will have voting and certain other rights as if the collateral interest were a subordinated class of certificates.

#### Credit Enhancement

Credit enhancement for your series is for your series' benefit only, and you are not entitled to the benefits of any credit enhancement available to other series.

Subordination of the Class B certificates provides credit enhancement for the Class A certificates. Subordination of the collateral interest provides credit enhancement for the Class A certificates and the Class B certificates. The collateral interest and the interest of the Class B certificateholders must be

reduced to zero before the Class A certificateholders will suffer any loss of principal. The collateral interest must be reduced to zero before the Class B certificateholders will suffer any loss of principal. For a description of the events which may lead to a reduction of Class A, Class B and the collateral interest, see "Description of Series Provisions--Reallocation of Cash Flows," "--Application of Collections" and "--Defaulted Receivables; Investor Charge-Offs" in this prospectus supplement.

#### Other Interests in the Trust

##### Other Series of Certificates

The trust has issued other series of certificates and expects to issue additional series of certificates. When issued by the trust, the certificates of each of those series also represent an interest in the assets of the trust. You can review a summary of each series previously issued and currently outstanding under the caption "Annex I: Other Series Issued and

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Outstanding" included at the end of this prospectus supplement. The trust may issue additional series with terms that may be different from any other series without prior review or consent by any certificateholders.

##### The Seller Interest

MBNA will own the seller interest, which represents the remaining interest in the assets of the trust not represented by the certificates, the collateral interest and the other interests issued by the trust. The seller interest does not provide credit enhancement for your series or any other series.

##### Information about the Receivables

The trust assets include receivables from certain MasterCard(R) and VISA(R)\* revolving credit card accounts selected from MBNA's credit card account portfolio.

The receivables consist of both principal receivables and finance charge receivables.

Principal receivables are, generally, (a) amounts charged by cardholders for goods and services and (b) cash advances.

Finance charge receivables are (a) the related finance charges and credit card fees and (b) for your series, certain amounts of fees, called interchange, collected through MasterCard and VISA and annual membership fees collected from cardholders.

MBNA, as servicer, will collect payments on the receivables in the trust and will deposit those collections in a collection account. The servicer will keep track of those collections that are finance charge receivables and those collections that are principal receivables.

##### Allocations and Payments to You and Your Series

Each month, the servicer will allocate collections and the amount of receivables that are not collected and are written off as uncollectible, called the default amount, among:

- . your series, based on the size of your series's interest in the trust (initially \$1,250,000,000) called the investor interest;
- . other outstanding series, based on the size of their respective interests in the trust; and
- . MBNA, based on the size of the seller interest.

The trust assets allocated to your series will be allocated to the following, based on varying percentages:

- . holders of the Class A certificates, based on the portion of the investor interest represented by the Class A certificates (initially \$1,062,500,000) called the Class A investor interest;
- . holders of the Class B certificates, based on the portion of the investor interest represented by the Class B certificates (initially \$93,750,000) called the Class B investor interest; and
- . the holder of the collateral interest, based on the portion of the investor

interest represented by the collateral interest (initially \$93,750,000).

See the following chart and "Description of Series Provisions--Allocation Percentages" in this prospectus supplement.

The following chart illustrates the trust's general allocation structure only and does not reflect the relative percentages of collections or other amounts allocated to the seller interest, to any series, including your series, or to holders of the Class A certificates, the Class B certificates or the collateral interest.

Allocation Of Trust Assets



\* MasterCard(R) and VISA(R) are federally registered servicemarks of MasterCard International Inc. and Visa U.S.A., Inc., respectively.

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You are entitled to receive payments of interest and principal based upon allocations to your series. The investor interest, which is the basis for allocations to your series, is the sum of (a) the Class A investor interest, (b) the Class B investor interest and (c) the collateral interest. The Class A investor interest, the Class B investor interest and the collateral interest will initially equal the outstanding principal amount of the Class A certificates, the Class B certificates and the collateral interest. The investor interest will decline as a result of principal payments and may decline due to the writing off of charged-off receivables or other reasons. If your investor interest declines, amounts allocated and available for payment to your series and to you will be reduced. For a description of the events which may lead to these reductions, see "Description of Series Provisions--Reallocation of Cash Flows" in this prospectus supplement.

Allocations of Collections of Finance Charge Receivables

The chart on the following page demonstrates the manner in which collections of finance charge receivables are allocated and applied to your series. The chart is a simplified demonstration of certain allocation and payment provisions and is qualified by the full description of these provisions in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

Step 1: Collections of finance charge receivables for your series are allocated, based on varying percentages, among the Class A investor interest, the Class B investor interest and the collateral interest.

Step 2: Collections of finance charge receivables allocated to the Class A investor interest are applied to cover, in the following priority: the interest payment due to Class A, Class A's portion of the servicing fee due to the servicer and Class A's portion of the default amount.

Collections of finance charge receivables allocated to the Class B investor interest are applied to cover, in the following priority: the interest payment due to Class B and Class B's portion of the servicing fee due to the servicer.

Collections of finance charge receivables allocated to the collateral interest are applied, under certain circumstances, to cover the collateral interest's portion of the servicing fee due to the servicer.

Remaining collections of finance charge receivables allocated to the Class B investor interest and the collateral interest are applied in Step 3 because of their subordinated status.

Step 3: Collections of finance charge receivables allocated to your series and not used in Step 2 are treated as excess spread and applied, in the following priority, to cover:

. the interest payment due to Class A, Class A's portion of the servicing fee

due to the servicer and Class A's portion of the default amount, each to the extent not covered in Step 2;

- . reimbursement of certain reductions of the Class A investor interest;
- . the interest payment due to Class B and Class B's portion of the servicing fee due to the servicer, each to the extent not covered in Step 2;
- . Class B's portion of the default amount;
- . reimbursement of certain reductions of the Class B investor interest;
- . the interest payment due to the collateral interest;
- . the collateral interest's portion of the servicing fee due to the servicer, to the extent not covered in Step 2;
- . the collateral interest's portion of the default amount;
- . reimbursement of certain reductions of the collateral interest if it is below its minimum required amount; and
- . funding, if necessary, of a reserve account maintained to cover certain interest payment shortfalls, if any.

Remaining excess spread is then applied in accordance with the loan agreement.

See "Description of Series Provisions--Application of Collections" in this prospectus supplement.

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Allocations of Collections of Finance Charge Receivables

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 Collections of Finance Charge  
 Receivables Allocated to Your Series  
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Step 1	Class A Investor Interest	Class B Investor Interest	Collateral Interest
Step 2	1. Class A Interest Payment 2. Class A Servicing Fee 3. Class A Default Amount	1. Class B Interest Payment 2. Class B Servicing	1. Collateral Interest Servicing Fee
Step 3		Excess Spread	

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1. Class A Interest Payment
  2. Class A Servicing Fee
  3. Class A Default Amount
  4. Reimburse Class A Investor Interest
  5. Class B Interest Payment
  6. Class B Servicing Fee
  7. Class B Default Amount
  8. Reimburse Class B Investor Interest
  9. Apply Remaining Excess Spread to Collateral Interest and Other Items as Described Above in the Accompanying Text
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Allocations of Collections of Principal Receivables

The chart on the following page demonstrates the manner in which collections of principal receivables are allocated and applied to your series. The chart is a simplified demonstration of certain allocation and payment provisions and is qualified by the full descriptions of these provisions in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

Step 1: Collections of principal receivables for your series are allocated, based on varying percentages, among the Class A investor interest, the Class B investor interest and the collateral interest.

Step 2: Collections of principal receivables allocated to the collateral interest and the Class B investor interest may be reallocated and made available to pay amounts due to the Class A investor interest that have not been paid by either the Class A's share of collections of finance charge receivables or excess spread. If required Class A amounts are satisfied, the collateral interest also provides the same type of protection to the Class B investor interest. Certain collections which are reallocated for Class A or Class B will not be made part of collections available to pay principal.

Step 3: Collections of principal receivables allocated to your series and not used in Step 2 above are combined with shared principal collections from other series, to the extent necessary and available, and treated as collections available to pay principal.

Available investor principal collections may be paid, or accumulated and then paid, to you as payments of principal. The amount, priority and timing of your principal payments, if any, depend on whether your series is in the revolving period, the controlled accumulation period or the rapid amortization period, as described below.

The Class A certificates will be paid in full before the Class B certificates receive any payments of principal. As available investor principal

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collections are accumulated for the Class A certificates and the Class B certificates, the minimum required credit enhancement (i.e., the required collateral interest) will decrease and available investor principal collections will be paid to the holder of the collateral interest to the extent of this decrease.

See "Maturity Considerations" and "Description of Series Provisions--Application of Collections" in this prospectus supplement.

Step 4: Collections of principal receivables allocated to your series and not used in Steps 2 and 3 above may be paid to other series, to the extent necessary, or to the holder of the seller interest.

Allocations of Collections of Principal Receivables

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 Collections of Principal Receivables  
 Allocations to Your Series  
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Step 1	Class A Investor Interest	Class B Investor Interest	Collateral Interest
Step 2	Reallocation for Class A, if any	Reallocation for Class A & Class B, if any	
Step 3	Available Investor Principal Collections	Shared Principal Collections from Other Series	
	1. Class A Principal Payment 2. Class B Principal Payment 3. Collateral Interest Principal Payment		
Step 4	Shared Principal Collections to Other Series		

Revolving Period: Series 2001-A will have a period of time, called the revolving period, when the trust will not pay, or accumulate, principal for certificateholders. In general, during the revolving period the trust will pay available principal to other series or the holder of the seller interest. See "Description of Series Provisions--Principal Payments" and "--Application of Collections" in this prospectus supplement.

The revolving period starts on the closing date and ends on the earlier to begin of:

- . the controlled accumulation period; or
- . the rapid amortization period.

Controlled Accumulation Period: During the period called the controlled



accumulation period, each month the servicer will deposit a specified amount of principal collections in an account, called the principal funding account, in order to pay the certificates and the collateral interest in full on the scheduled payment date.

Each month, the trust will pay principal not required to be deposited in the principal funding account to other series or the holder of the seller interest. Each month, if the amount actually deposited in the principal funding account is less than the required deposit, the amount of this deficiency will be carried forward as a shortfall and included in the next month's required deposit.

See "Description of Series Provisions--Principal Payments" and "--Application of Collections" in this prospectus supplement. For information about

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the application of money on deposit in the principal funding account, including any net investment earnings, see "Description of Series Provisions--Principal Funding Account" in this prospectus supplement.

On the scheduled payment date, the trust will use the money on deposit in the principal funding account to pay (a) the Class A investor interest and (b) if the Class A investor interest is paid in full, the Class B investor interest.

You should be aware that there may not be sufficient amounts available to pay principal in full for the Class A investor interest and the Class B investor interest on the scheduled payment date. In addition, if the money on deposit in the principal funding account is insufficient to pay these amounts on the scheduled payment date or if a pay out event occurs, the rapid amortization period will begin and the timing of your principal payments could change. See "Maturity Considerations" in this prospectus supplement and in the accompanying prospectus.

The controlled accumulation period is scheduled to begin at the close of business on January 31, 2005, but in some cases may be delayed to no later than the close of business on December 31, 2005. See "Description of Series Provisions--Postponement of Controlled Accumulation Period" in this prospectus supplement.

The controlled accumulation period will end when any one of the following occurs:

- . the investor interest is paid in full;
- . the rapid amortization period begins; or
- . the Series 2001-A termination date.

**Rapid Amortization Period:** If a period called the rapid amortization period begins, the trust will use any available principal collections allocated to your series to pay (a) the Class A investor interest, (b) if the Class A investor interest is paid in full, the Class B investor interest and (c) if the Class B investor interest is paid in full, the collateral interest. These payments will begin on the distribution date in the month after the rapid amortization period begins.

The rapid amortization period will begin if a pay out event occurs. The rapid amortization period will end when any one of the following occurs:

- . the investor interest is paid in full;
- . the Series 2001-A termination date; or
- . the trust termination date.

**Pay Out Events:** Certain adverse events called pay out events might lead to the start of the rapid amortization period and the end of either of the revolving period or the controlled accumulation period.

The pay out events for your series are described in "Description of Series Provisions--Pay Out Events" in this prospectus supplement. In addition, see "Description of the Certificates--Pay Out Events" in the accompanying prospectus for a discussion of the consequences of an insolvency or receivership of the seller.

#### Shared Principal Collections

This series is included in a group of series designated as "group one." Each series identified under the caption "Annex I: Other Series Issued and Outstanding" included at the end of this prospectus supplement is, and other series in the future may be, included in group one. To the extent that collections of principal receivables allocated to your series are not needed to make payments or deposits to the principal funding account for your series,

these collections, called shared principal collections, will be applied to cover principal payments for other series within group one. Any reallocation for this purpose will not reduce your series's investor interest. In addition, you may receive the benefits of collections of principal receivables and certain other amounts allocated to other series in group one, to the extent those collections are not needed for those other series. See "Description of Series Provisions--Shared Principal Collections" in this prospectus supplement and "Description of the Certificates--Shared Principal Collections" in the accompanying prospectus.

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#### Denominations

Beneficial interests in the certificates will be offered in minimum denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of that amount.

#### Registration, Clearance and Settlement

Your certificates will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as the nominee of the Depository Trust Company. You will not receive a definitive certificate representing your interest, except in limited circumstances described in the accompanying prospectus when certificates in fully registered, certificated form are issued. See "Description of the Certificates--Definitive Certificates" in the accompanying prospectus.

You may elect to hold your certificates through DTC, in the United States, or Clearstream Banking, societe anonyme or the Euroclear System, in Europe. Transfers within DTC, Clearstream or Euroclear, as the case may be, will be made in accordance with the usual rules and operating procedures of those systems. Cross-market transfers between persons holding directly or indirectly through DTC and counterparties holding directly or indirectly through Clearstream or Euroclear will be made in DTC through the relevant depositaries of Clearstream or Euroclear. See "Description of the Certificates--Book-Entry Registration" in the accompanying prospectus.

We expect that the certificates will be delivered in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear on or about the closing date.

#### Tax Status

Special counsel to the seller is of the opinion that under existing law your certificates will be characterized as debt for federal income tax purposes. The seller has agreed, and, by the purchase of your certificates, you agree, to treat your certificates as debt for federal, state and local income tax purposes and franchise tax purposes. See "Federal Income Tax Consequences" in the accompanying prospectus for additional information concerning the application of federal income tax laws.

#### ERISA Considerations

Subject to important considerations described under "ERISA Considerations" in this prospectus supplement and in the accompanying prospectus, the Class A certificates are eligible for purchase by persons investing assets of employee benefit plans or individual retirement accounts.

For the reasons discussed under "ERISA Considerations" in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, the Class B certificates are not eligible for purchase by persons investing assets of employee benefit plans or individual retirement accounts other than an insurance company investing assets of its general account.

#### Certificate Ratings

The Class A certificates are required to be rated in the highest rating category by at least one nationally recognized rating organization.

The Class B certificates are required to be rated in one of the three highest rating categories by at least one nationally recognized rating organization. See "Certificate Ratings" in the accompanying prospectus for a discussion of the primary factors upon which the ratings are based.

#### Exchange Listing

We will apply to list the certificates on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange. We cannot guarantee that the application for the listing will be accepted. You should consult with Deutsche Bank Luxembourg S.A., the Luxembourg listing agent for the certificates, Boulevard Konrad Adenauer 2, L-1115 Luxembourg, phone number (352) 42 12 21, to determine whether or not the certificates are listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange.

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## Billing and Payments

MBNA, using MBNA Hallmark Information Services, Inc. as its service bureau, generates and mails to cardholders monthly statements summarizing account activity and processes cardholder monthly payments. Generally, cardholders must make a monthly minimum payment at least equal to the lesser of (i) the sum of all finance charges, bank imposed fees, a stated minimum amount (generally \$15) and past due amounts or (ii) 2.25% of the statement balance plus past due amounts, but generally not less than \$15. Certain eligible cardholders are given the option periodically to take a payment deferral.

The finance charges on purchases, which are assessed monthly, are calculated by multiplying the account's average daily purchase balance by the applicable daily periodic rate, and multiplying the result by the number of days in the billing cycle. Finance charges are calculated on purchases from the date of the purchase or the first day of the billing cycle in which the purchase is posted to the account, whichever is later. Monthly periodic finance charges are not assessed in most circumstances on new purchases if all balances shown on the previous billing statement are paid by the due date, which is generally at least 25 days after the billing date. Monthly periodic finance charges are not assessed in most circumstances on previous purchases if all balances shown on the two previous billing statements are paid by their respective due dates.

The finance charges, which are assessed monthly on cash advances (including balance transfers), are calculated by multiplying the account's average cash advance balance by the applicable daily periodic rate, and multiplying the result by the number of days in the billing cycle. Finance charges are calculated on cash advances (including balance transfers) from the date of the transaction. Currently, MBNA generally treats the day on which a cash advance check is deposited or cashed as the transaction date for such check.

MBNA offers fixed rate and variable rate credit card accounts. MBNA also offers temporary promotional rates.

MBNA assesses annual membership fees on certain accounts although under various marketing programs these fees may be waived or rebated. For most credit card accounts, MBNA also assesses late, overlimit and returned check charges. MBNA generally assesses a fee on cash advances and certain purchase transactions.

## Delinquencies and Collection Efforts

An account is contractually delinquent if the minimum payment is not received by the due date indicated on the customer's statement. Efforts to collect contractually delinquent credit card receivables currently are made by MBNA's Customer Assistance personnel. Collection activities include statement messages, telephone calls and formal collection letters. MBNA employs two principal computerized systems for collecting past due accounts. The Predictive Management System analyzes each cardholder's purchase and repayment habits and selects accounts for initial contact with the objective of contacting the highest risk accounts first. The accounts selected are queued to MBNA's proprietary Outbound Call Management System. This system sorts accounts by a number of factors, including time zone, degree of delinquency and dollar amount due, and automatically dials delinquent accounts in order of priority. Representatives are automatically linked to the cardholder's account information and voice line when a contact is established.

Accounts are worked continually at each stage of delinquency through the end of the month in which the account falls 180 days past due. As an account enters the 180 day delinquency level, it is classified as a potential charge-off. Accounts failing to make a payment by the end of the month in which the account falls 180 days past due are written off. Managers may defer a charge-off of an account for another month, pending continued payment activity or other special circumstances. Senior manager approval is required on all exceptions to charge-off. Accounts of cardholders in bankruptcy are currently charged-off no later than is consistent with this policy.

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In 1999, the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council published a revised policy statement on the classification of consumer loans. The revised policy establishes uniform guidelines for charge-off of loans to delinquent, bankrupt and deceased borrowers, for charge-off of fraudulent accounts, and for re-aging, extending, deferring or rewriting delinquent accounts. MBNA implemented the guidelines in December 2000. In doing so MBNA accelerated charge-off of some delinquent loans. The one time acceleration caused the reported charge-off rate for the month of December 2000 for the trust to increase by 5.34%.

## The Bank Portfolio

### Delinquency and Gross Charge-Off Experience

The following tables set forth the delinquency and gross charge-off experience for each of the periods shown for the portfolio of credit card accounts owned by the seller, referred to as the "bank portfolio." Any particular segment of the bank portfolio may have delinquency and gross charge-off characteristics different from those of the overall bank portfolio.

As of the beginning of the day on January 19, 2001, the receivables in the trust portfolio represented approximately 92% of the bank portfolio. Because the trust portfolio is only a portion of the bank portfolio, actual delinquency and gross charge-off experience with respect to the receivables in the trust may be different from that set forth below for the bank portfolio. We cannot assure you that the delinquency and gross charge-off experience for the receivables in the future will be similar to the historical experience of the bank portfolio set forth below.

Delinquency Experience  
Bank Portfolio  
(Dollars in Thousands)

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	December 31,					
	2000		1999		1998	
	Percentage of Total Receivables		Percentage of Total Receivables		Percentage of Total Receivables	
	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
Receivables Outstanding(1).....	\$63,463,974		\$56,810,333		\$46,946,483	
Receivables Delinquent:						
30-59 Days.....	\$ 1,081,925	1.70%	\$ 902,788	1.59%	\$ 842,557	1.79%
60-89 Days.....	619,526	0.98	525,253	0.92	459,367	0.98
90 or more.....	1,235,255	1.95	1,179,671	2.08	1,009,157	2.15
Total.....	\$ 2,936,706	4.63%	\$ 2,607,712	4.59%	\$ 2,311,081	4.92%
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(1) The receivables outstanding on the accounts consist of all amounts due from cardholders as posted to the accounts as of the end of the period shown.

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Gross Charge-Off Experience  
Bank Portfolio  
(Dollars in Thousands)

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	Year Ended December 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
	<C>	<C>	<C>
Average Receivables Outstanding(1).....	\$59,093,463	\$49,447,496	\$43,205,658
Total Gross Charge-Offs(2).....	3,505,071	2,891,449	2,415,466
Total Gross Charge-Offs as a percentage of Average Receivables Outstanding....	5.93%	5.85%	5.59%

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- (1) Average receivables outstanding is the average of the daily receivable balance during the period indicated.
- (2) Total gross charge-offs are total principal and interest charge-offs before recoveries and do not include the amount of any reductions in average receivables outstanding due to fraud, returned goods, customer disputes or other miscellaneous credit adjustments.

Revenue Experience

The gross revenues from finance charges and fees billed to accounts in the bank portfolio for each of the three calendar years contained in the period ended December 31, 2000 are set forth in the following table.

The historical yield figures in the following table are calculated on an accrual basis. Collections of receivables included in the trust will be on a cash basis and may not reflect the historical yield experience in the table. During periods of increasing delinquencies or periodic payment deferral programs, accrual yields may exceed cash amounts collected from cardholders. Conversely, cash yields may exceed accrual yields as amounts collected in a current period may include amounts accrued during prior periods.

However, the seller believes that during the three calendar years contained

in the period ended December 31, 2000, the yield on an accrual basis closely approximated the yield on a cash basis. The yield on both an accrual and a cash basis will be affected by numerous factors, including the monthly periodic finance charges on the receivables, the amount of the annual membership fees and other fees, changes in the delinquency rate on the receivables and the percentage of cardholders who pay their balances in full each month and do not incur monthly periodic finance charges. See "Risk Factors" in the accompanying prospectus.

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Revenue Experience  
Bank Portfolio

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	Year Ended December 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>
Average Account Monthly Accrued Finance Charges and Fees(1) (2).....	\$ 29.78	\$ 28.38	\$ 27.59
Average Account Balance(3).....	\$1,995.00	\$1,971.71	\$1,902.58
Yield from Finance Charges and Fees(4).....	17.91%	17.27%	17.40%
Yield from Interchange(5).....	1.70%	1.57%	1.32%
Yield from Finance Charges, Fees and Interchange.....	19.61%	18.84%	18.72%

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- (1) Finance charges and fees are comprised of monthly periodic finance charges and other credit card fees.
- (2) Average account monthly accrued finance charges and fees are presented net of adjustments made pursuant to MBNA's normal servicing procedures, including removal of incorrect or disputed monthly periodic finance charges.
- (3) Average account balance includes purchases, cash advances and accrued and unpaid monthly periodic finance charges and other charges and is calculated based on the average of the account balances during the periods shown for accounts with charging privileges.
- (4) Yield from finance charges and fees is the result of dividing the annualized average account monthly accrued finance charges and fees by the average account balance for the period.
- (5) Yield from interchange is the result of dividing annualized revenue attributable to interchange received during the period by the average account balance for the period. The amount of interchange for each of the periods indicated above has been estimated.

The revenue for the bank portfolio shown in the above table is comprised of monthly periodic finance charges, credit card fees and interchange. These revenues vary for each account based on the type and volume of activity for each account. Because the trust portfolio is only a portion of the bank portfolio, actual yield with respect to receivables in the trust may be different from that set forth above for the bank portfolio. See "MBNA's Credit Card Activities" in the accompanying prospectus.

Interchange

The seller will transfer to the trust a percentage of the interchange attributed to cardholder charges for goods and services in the accounts of the trust. Interchange will be allocated to the certificates and the Collateral Interest based on their portion of the Investor Interest and of cardholder charges for goods and services in the accounts of the trust relative to the total amount of cardholder charges for goods and services in the MasterCard and VISA credit card accounts owned by MBNA, as reasonably estimated by the seller.

MasterCard and VISA may from time to time change the amount of interchange reimbursed to banks issuing their credit cards. Interchange will be treated as collections of finance charge receivables for the purposes of determining the amount of finance charge receivables, allocating collections of finance charge receivables, making required monthly payments and calculating the Portfolio Yield. Under the circumstances described herein, interchange will be used to pay a portion of the Investor Servicing Fee required to be paid on each transfer date. See "Description of Series Provisions--Servicing Compensation and Payment of Expenses" in this prospectus supplement and "MBNA's Credit Card Activities--Interchange" in the accompanying prospectus.

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Payment Rates

The following table sets forth the highest and lowest cardholder monthly payment rates for the bank portfolio during any month in the periods shown and the average cardholder monthly payment rates for all months during the periods shown, in each case calculated as a percentage of total opening monthly account

balances during the periods shown. Payment rates shown in the table are based on amounts which would be deemed payments of principal receivables and finance charge receivables with respect to the accounts.

Cardholder Monthly Payment Rates Bank Portfolio

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	Year Ended December 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>
Lowest Month.....	13.38%	13.29%	12.26%
Highest Month.....	14.82%	14.59%	14.07%
Monthly Average.....	14.12%	14.09%	13.35%

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Generally, cardholders must make a monthly minimum payment at least equal to the lesser of (i) the sum of all finance charges, bank imposed fees, a stated minimum amount (generally \$15) and past due amounts or (ii) 2.25% of the statement balance plus past due amounts, but generally not less than \$15. Certain eligible cardholders are given the option periodically to take a payment deferral. We cannot assure you that the cardholder monthly payment rates in the future will be similar to the historical experience set forth above. In addition, the amount of collections of receivables may vary from month to month due to seasonal variations, general economic conditions and payment habits of individual cardholders.

The Trust Portfolio

The receivables conveyed to the trust arise in accounts selected from the bank portfolio on the basis of criteria set forth in the master agreement as applied on June 22, 1994, called the "cut-off date," and, with respect to additional accounts, as of the related date of their designation. The seller has the right, subject to certain limitations and conditions set forth therein, to designate from time to time additional accounts and to transfer to the trust all receivables of such additional accounts. Any additional accounts designated must be eligible accounts as of the date the seller designates such accounts as additional accounts. The seller has designated additional accounts and conveyed the receivables arising therein to the trust 29 times since the cut-off date. The aggregate total principal receivables added to the trust in those additions was approximately \$45.945 billion. Additionally, the seller expects to designate additional accounts and to convey the receivables arising therein to the trust on or prior to the closing date, in an amount that is anticipated to be approximately \$1.7 billion in total principal receivables.

The seller will be required to designate additional accounts, to the extent available:

(a) to maintain the Seller Interest so that, during any period of 30 consecutive days, the Seller Interest averaged over that period equals or exceeds the Minimum Seller Interest for the same period; and

(b) to maintain, for so long as certificates of any series (including the certificates for your series) remain outstanding, an aggregate amount of principal receivables equal to or greater than the Minimum Aggregate Principal Receivables.

"Minimum Seller Interest" for any period means 4% of the average principal receivables for such period. The seller may reduce the Minimum Seller Interest to not less than 2% of the average principal receivables for such period upon satisfaction of the Rating Agency Condition and certain other conditions to be set forth in the master agreement.

"Minimum Aggregate Principal Receivables" means, with respect to all series then outstanding, unless otherwise provided in the related series supplement, an amount equal to the sum of the numerators used in the calculation of the Investor Percentages with respect to principal receivables for all outstanding series on such date, except that:

- . with respect to any series in its rapid accumulation period, or such other period as designated in the related series supplement, with an Investor Interest (as defined in the prospectus) as of such date of determination equal to the principal funding account balance relating to such series, taking into account any deposit to be made to the principal funding account relating to such series on the transfer date following such date of determination, the numerator used in the calculation of the Investor Percentage with respect to principal receivables relating to such series will, solely for the purpose of the definition of Minimum Aggregate Principal Receivables, be deemed to equal zero; and

- . the Minimum Aggregate Principal Receivables may be reduced to a lesser amount at any time if the Rating Agency Condition is satisfied.

"Rating Agency Condition" means the notification in writing by each selected rating agency to the seller, the servicer and the trustee that a proposed action will not result in any rating agency reducing or withdrawing its then existing rating of the investor certificates of any outstanding series or class of a series with respect to which it is a rating agency.

The seller has the right, subject to certain limitations and conditions, to designate certain removed accounts and to require the trustee to reconvey all receivables in such removed accounts to the seller. Once an account is removed, receivables existing or guaranteed under that account are not transferred to the trust.

As of the beginning of the day on January 19, 2001:

- . the trust portfolio included \$56,601,388,738 of principal receivables and \$1,506,492,609 of finance charge receivables;
- . the accounts had an average principal receivable balance of \$1,470 and an average credit limit of \$12,149;
- . the percentage of the aggregate total receivable balance to the aggregate total credit limit was 12.42%;
- . the average age of the accounts was approximately 55 months;
- . cardholders whose accounts are included in the trust portfolio had billing addresses in all 50 States and the District of Columbia;
- . 29.5% of the accounts were standard accounts and 70.5% were premium accounts; and
- . the aggregate principal receivable balances of standard accounts and premium accounts, as a percentage of the total aggregate principal receivables, were 20.0% and 80.0%, respectively.

The following tables summarize the trust portfolio by various criteria as of the beginning of the day on January 19, 2001. Because the future composition of the trust portfolio may change over time, these tables do not describe the composition of the trust portfolio at any future time.

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Composition by Account Balance Trust Portfolio

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	Number of Accounts	Percentage of Total Number of Accounts	Receivables	Percentage of Total Receivables
Account Balance Range				
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Credit Balance.....	544,598	1.4%	\$ (67,622,243)	(0.1)%
No Balance.....	22,978,594	59.7	0	0.0
\$.01-\$ 5,000.00.....	10,754,799	27.9	15,066,500,134	25.9
\$ 5,000.01-\$10,000.00...	2,730,780	7.1	19,252,622,942	33.1
\$10,000.01-\$15,000.00...	891,927	2.3	10,765,307,739	18.5
\$15,000.01-\$20,000.00...	336,842	0.9	5,779,669,930	10.0
\$20,000.01-\$25,000.00...	158,694	0.4	3,548,586,572	6.1
\$25,000.01 or More.....	110,520	0.3	3,762,816,273	6.5
Total.....	38,506,754	100.0%	\$58,107,881,347	100.0%

Composition by Credit Limit  
Trust Portfolio

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	Number of Accounts	Percentage of Total Number of Accounts	Receivables	Percentage of Total Receivables
Credit Limit Range				
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
Less than or equal to				
\$5,000.00.....	7,236,915	18.8%	\$ 4,667,491,041	8.0%
\$ 5,000.01-\$10,000.00..	11,294,823	29.3	15,923,663,146	27.4
\$10,000.01-\$15,000.00...	8,819,138	22.9	13,140,419,153	22.6
\$15,000.01-\$20,000.00...	5,160,899	13.4	8,861,434,623	15.3
\$20,000.01-\$25,000.00...	4,241,483	11.0	8,746,350,412	15.1

\$25,000.01 or More.....	1,753,496	4.6	6,768,522,972	11.6
Total.....	38,506,754	100.0%	\$58,107,881,347	100.0%
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Composition by Period of Delinquency  
Trust Portfolio

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Period of Delinquency  
(Days Contractually  
Delinquent)

	Number of Accounts	Percentage of Total Number of Accounts	Receivables	Percentage of Total Receivables
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
Not Delinquent.....	37,119,591	96.4%	\$50,469,259,230	86.9%
Up to 29 Days.....	840,909	2.2	4,452,106,670	7.7
30 to 59 Days.....	221,086	0.6	1,241,313,641	2.1
60 to 89 Days.....	105,283	0.3	605,356,223	1.0
90 or More Days.....	219,885	0.5	1,339,845,583	2.3
Total.....	38,506,754	100.0%	\$58,107,881,347	100.0%
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Composition by Account Age Trust Portfolio

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	Number of Accounts	Percentage of Total Number of Accounts	Receivables	Percentage of Total Receivables
Account Age				
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
Not More Than 6 Months.....	1,433,698	3.7%	\$ 1,697,377,397	2.9%
Over 6 Months to 12 Months.....	2,804,481	7.3	3,901,957,744	6.7
Over 12 Months to 24 Months.....	5,609,328	14.6	7,431,376,649	12.8
Over 24 Months to 36 Months.....	5,212,006	13.5	5,998,084,371	10.3
Over 36 Months to 48 Months.....	6,158,511	16.0	7,253,175,785	12.5
Over 48 Months to 60 Months.....	5,210,430	13.5	6,874,294,959	11.8
Over 60 Months to 72 Months.....	3,470,946	9.0	5,483,785,597	9.5
Over 72 Months.....	8,607,354	22.4	19,467,828,845	33.5
Total	38,506,754	100.0%	\$58,107,881,347	100.0%
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Geographic Distribution of Accounts Trust Portfolio

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	Number of Accounts	Percentage of Total Number of Accounts	Receivables	Percentage of Total Receivables
State				
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
California.....	3,939,579	10.2%	\$ 6,731,375,362	11.6%
New York.....	2,876,748	7.5	4,063,366,411	7.0
Texas.....	2,250,759	5.8	3,943,084,653	6.8
Florida.....	2,328,315	6.0	3,661,575,648	6.3
Pennsylvania.....	2,268,527	5.9	2,899,106,088	5.0
New Jersey.....	1,501,401	3.9	2,366,484,942	4.1
Illinois.....	1,637,396	4.3	2,306,252,533	4.0
Ohio.....	1,675,208	4.4	2,119,465,864	3.6
Michigan.....	1,430,529	3.7	2,123,537,351	3.6
Virginia.....	1,224,301	3.2	1,905,815,900	3.3
Other.....	17,373,991	45.1	25,987,816,595	44.7
Total.....	38,506,754	100.0%	\$58,107,881,347	100.0%
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## Maturity Considerations

You are expected to receive payment of principal in full on February 15, 2006, the "scheduled payment date." You may, however, receive payments of principal earlier than the scheduled payment date if a Pay Out Event occurs and the Rapid Amortization Period begins. The holders of the Class B certificates will not begin to receive principal payments until the final principal payment on the Class A certificates has been made.

## Controlled Accumulation Period

Series 2001-A will have a period of time, called the "Controlled Accumulation Period" when payments of principal are deposited in the principal funding account to pay the certificates and Collateral Interest in full on the scheduled payment date. The Controlled Accumulation Period is scheduled to begin at the close of business on January 31, 2005, but in some cases may be delayed to no later than the close of business on December 31, 2005. The Controlled Accumulation Period will end when any one of the following occurs:

- .the Investor Interest is paid in full;
- .the Rapid Amortization Period begins; or
- .the Series 2001-A Termination Date.

On each transfer date during the Controlled Accumulation Period, an amount equal to, for each monthly period, the least of:

(a) the Available Investor Principal Collections;

(b) the applicable Controlled Deposit Amount, which is equal to the sum of the applicable Controlled Accumulation Amount for such monthly period and the applicable Accumulation Shortfall, if any; and

(c) the sum of the Class A Adjusted Investor Interest and the Class B Adjusted Investor Interest prior to any deposits on such day;

will be deposited in the principal funding account established by the trustee until the principal funding account balance equals the sum of the Class A Investor Interest and the Class B Investor Interest. Amounts in the principal funding account are expected to be available to pay in full the Class A Investor Interest and, after the payment of the Class A Investor Interest in full, the Class B Investor Interest on the scheduled payment date. If Available Investor Principal Collections for any monthly period during the Controlled Accumulation Period exceed the Controlled Deposit Amount, any such excess will be paid to the Collateral Interest holder on the related transfer date, to the extent that the Collateral Interest exceeds the Required Collateral Interest. After the Class A Investor Interest and the Class B Investor Interest have each been paid in full, Available Investor Principal Collections, to the extent required, will be distributed to the Collateral Interest holder on each related transfer date until the earlier of the date on which the Collateral Interest has been paid in full and the Series 2001-A Termination Date.

We cannot assure you that collections of principal receivables in the trust portfolio will be similar to the payment rate experience shown in the table under "MBNA's Credit Card Portfolio--The Bank Portfolio--Payment Rates" in this prospectus supplement, or that, therefore, deposits into the principal funding account will equal the Controlled Accumulation Amount. In addition, as described under "Description of Series Provisions--Postponement of Controlled Accumulation Period" in this prospectus supplement, the servicer may shorten the Controlled Accumulation Period and, in such event, we cannot assure you that there will be sufficient time to accumulate all amounts necessary to pay the Investor Interest on the scheduled payment date. See "Maturity Considerations" and "Risk Factors" in the accompanying prospectus. If the amount required to pay the Class A Investor Interest and the Class B Investor Interest in full is not available on the scheduled payment date, a Pay Out Event will occur and the Rapid Amortization Period will commence.

## Rapid Amortization Period

A Pay Out Event occurs, either automatically or after specified notice, if one of the adverse events described in "Description of Series Provisions--Pay Out Events" in this prospectus supplement occurs. If a Pay Out Event occurs during either the Revolving Period or the Controlled Accumulation Period, the "Rapid Amortization Period" will commence. If a Pay Out Event occurs during the Controlled Accumulation Period,

any amount on deposit in the principal funding account will be paid to the Class A certificateholders and, after the Class A Investor Interest has been paid in full, the Class B certificateholders on the first distribution date with respect to the Rapid Amortization Period.

During the Rapid Amortization Period, Available Investor Principal Collections will be paid to the Class A certificateholders on each distribution date until the earliest of:

- (a) the date on which the Class A certificates are paid in full;
- (b) the Series 2001-A Termination Date; and
- (c) the Trust Termination Date.

After the Class A certificates have been paid in full and if the Series 2001-A Termination Date or the Trust Termination Date has not occurred, Available Investor Principal Collections will be paid to the Class B certificateholders on each distribution date until the earliest of:

- (a) the date on which the Class B certificates are paid in full;
- (b) the Series 2001-A Termination Date; and
- (c) the Trust Termination Date.

#### MBNA and MBNA Corporation

MBNA America Bank, National Association, a national banking association located in Wilmington, Delaware, conducts nationwide consumer lending programs principally comprised of credit card related activities. MBNA has two wholly owned foreign bank subsidiaries, MBNA International Bank Limited located in the United Kingdom and MBNA Canada Bank, located in Canada. On a managed basis, including loans originated by MBNA International Bank Limited and MBNA Canada Bank, MBNA maintained loan accounts with aggregate outstanding balances of \$87.7 billion as of December 31, 2000. Of this amount, \$69.6 billion were MasterCard and VISA credit card loans originated in the United States. As of December 31, 2000, the premium credit card portfolio in the United States accounted for 72% of MBNA's domestic MasterCard and VISA credit card accounts with outstanding balances and 80% of MBNA's outstanding domestic MasterCard and VISA credit card loans.

MBNA conducts all direct customer contact processes with respect to the cardholder. This involves a 24 hour, 365 day per year Customer Service telephone staff, Credit Decisions, Correspondence Resolution, Security and Collection Operations. As of September 30, 2000, MBNA had assets of \$34.3 billion, deposits of \$22.6 billion and capital and surplus accounts of \$5.2 billion.

MBNA is a wholly-owned subsidiary of MBNA Corporation. MBNA was established in January 1991 in connection with a restructuring of the former MBNA America Bank, N.A., a wholly-owned subsidiary of MNC Financial, Inc. MBNA Corporation is a bank holding company organized under the laws of Maryland in 1990 and registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended. As of December 31, 2000, MBNA Corporation had consolidated assets of \$38.7 billion, consolidated deposits of \$24.3 billion and capital and surplus accounts of \$6.6 billion. The principal asset of MBNA Corporation is the capital stock of MBNA.

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#### Description of Series Provisions

The following statements summarize the material terms of your series, called Series 2001-A, and are subject to, and are qualified in their entirety by reference to, all of the provisions of the master agreement and the Series 2001-A supplement. You should review "Description of the Certificates" in the accompanying prospectus for additional information concerning the certificates, the Collateral Interest, the Series 2001-A supplement and the master agreement.

#### Interest Payments

The Class A certificates will accrue interest from and including the closing date through but excluding March 15, 2001, from and including March 15, 2001 through but excluding April 16, 2001 and with respect to each interest period thereafter, at a rate of % per annum above LIBOR prevailing on the related LIBOR determination date with respect to each such period.

The Class B certificates will accrue interest from and including the closing date through but excluding March 15, 2001, from and including March 15, 2001 through but excluding April 16, 2001 and with respect to each interest period thereafter, at a rate of % per annum above LIBOR prevailing on the related LIBOR determination date with respect to each such period.

The trustee will determine LIBOR on February , 2001 for the period from and including the closing date through but excluding March 15, 2001, on March 13, 2001 for the period from and including March 15, 2001 through but excluding

April 16, 2001 and, for each interest period thereafter, on the second London business day prior to the distribution date on which such interest period commences. We refer to each such determination date as a "LIBOR determination date." For purposes of calculating LIBOR, a "London business day" is any business day (as defined below) on which dealings in deposits in United States dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

An "interest period" begins on and includes a distribution date and ends on but excludes the next distribution date. However, the first interest period will begin on and include the closing date and end on but exclude the first distribution date.

"LIBOR" means, as of any LIBOR determination date, the rate for deposits in United States dollars for a one-month period which appears on Telerate Page 3750 as of 11:00 a.m., London time, on such date. If such rate does not appear on Telerate Page 3750, the rate for that LIBOR determination date will be determined on the basis of the rates at which deposits in United States dollars are offered by four major banks selected by the servicer at approximately 11:00 a.m., London time, on that day to prime banks in the London interbank market for a one-month period. The trustee will request the principal London office of each of such banks to provide a quotation of its rate. If at least two such quotations are provided, the rate for that LIBOR determination date will be the arithmetic mean of such quotations. If fewer than two quotations are provided, the rate for that LIBOR determination date will be the arithmetic mean of the rates quoted by major banks in New York City, selected by the servicer, at approximately 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on that day for loans in United States dollars to leading European banks for a one-month period.

"Telerate Page 3750" means the display page currently so designated on the Bridge Telerate Market Report (or such other page as may replace that page on that service for the purpose of displaying comparable rates or prices).

The Class A certificate rate and the Class B certificate rate applicable to the then current and immediately preceding interest period may be obtained by telephoning the trustee at (212) 815-5731.

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Interest on the certificates will be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days in the related interest period and a 360-day year.

Interest will be paid on each "distribution date" which will be April 16, 2001 and the 15th day of each month thereafter (or, if such 15th day is not a business day, the next succeeding business day). For purposes of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, a "business day" is, unless otherwise indicated, any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which banking institutions in New York, New York or Newark, Delaware are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to be closed.

Interest payments on the Class A certificates and the Class B certificates on any distribution date will be calculated on the outstanding principal balance of the Class A certificates and the outstanding principal balance of the Class B certificates, as applicable, as of the preceding record date, which will be the last business day of the calendar month preceding such distribution date. However, interest for the first distribution date will accrue at the applicable certificate rate on the initial outstanding principal balance of the Class A certificates and the initial outstanding principal balance of the Class B certificates, as applicable, from the closing date.

Interest due on the certificates but not paid on any distribution date will be payable on the next succeeding distribution date together with additional interest on such amount at the applicable certificate rate plus 2% per annum. Such amount with respect to the Class A certificates is called the "Class A Additional Interest," and such amount with respect to the Class B certificates is called "Class B Additional Interest." Such additional interest will accrue on the same basis as interest on the certificates, and will accrue from the distribution date such overdue interest became due, to but excluding the distribution date on which such additional interest is paid.

Interest payments on the Class A certificates on any distribution date will be paid from Class A Available Funds for the related monthly period and, to the extent such Class A Available Funds are insufficient to pay such interest, from Excess Spread and Reallocated Principal Collections (to the extent available) for such monthly period. Interest payments on the Class B certificates on any distribution date will be paid from Class B Available Funds for the related monthly period and, to the extent such Class B Available Funds are insufficient to pay such interest, from Excess Spread and Reallocated Collateral Principal Collections (to the extent available) remaining after certain other payments have been made with respect to the Class A certificates.

"Class A Available Funds" means, with respect to any monthly period, an amount equal to the sum of:

(a) the Class A Floating Allocation of collections of finance charge receivables and annual membership fees allocated to the Investor Interest

and deposited in the finance charge account with respect to such monthly period (excluding the portion of collections of finance charge receivables attributable to interchange that is allocable to Servicer Interchange);

(b) the net investment earnings, if any, in the principal funding account which are required to be treated as Class A Available Funds pursuant to the Series 2001-A supplement, in an amount not to exceed the portion of the Covered Amount with respect to the Class A certificates with respect to the related transfer date; and

(c) amounts, if any, to be withdrawn from the reserve account which are required to be included in Class A Available Funds pursuant to the Series 2001-A supplement with respect to such transfer date.

"Class B Available Funds" means, with respect to any monthly period, an amount equal to the sum of:

(a) the Class B Floating Allocation of collections of finance charge receivables and annual membership fees allocated to the Investor Interest and deposited in the finance charge account with respect to such monthly period (excluding the portion of collections of finance charge receivables attributable to interchange that is allocable to Servicer Interchange);

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(b) the net investment earnings, if any, in the principal funding account which are required to be treated as Class B Available Funds pursuant to the Series 2001-A supplement, in an amount not to exceed the portion of the Covered Amount with respect to the Class B certificates with respect to the related transfer date; and

(c) amounts, if any, to be withdrawn from the reserve account which are required to be included in Class B Available Funds pursuant to the Series 2001-A supplement with respect to such transfer date.

#### Principal Payments

##### Revolving Period

Series 2001-A will have a period of time, called the "Revolving Period," when the trust will not pay, or accumulate, principal for certificateholders. The Revolving Period starts on the closing date and ends on the earlier to begin of:

- . the Controlled Accumulation Period; or
- . the Rapid Amortization Period.

On each transfer date during the Revolving Period, unless a reduction in the Required Collateral Interest has occurred, collections of principal receivables allocable to the Investor Interest will be treated as Shared Principal Collections, subject to certain limitations, including the allocation of any Reallocated Principal Collections with respect to the related monthly period to pay the Class A Required Amount and the Class B Required Amount.

##### Controlled Accumulation Period

On each "transfer date" (which is the business day preceding a distribution date) relating to the Controlled Accumulation Period, the trustee will deposit in the principal funding account an amount equal to the least of:

(a) Available Investor Principal Collections with respect to such transfer date;

(b) the applicable Controlled Deposit Amount; and

(c) the sum of the Class A Adjusted Investor Interest and the Class B Adjusted Investor Interest prior to any deposits on such date.

Unless a Pay Out Event has occurred, amounts in the principal funding account will be paid:

- . first to Class A certificateholders (in an amount not to exceed the Class A Investor Interest) on the scheduled payment date; and
- . then to Class B certificateholders (to the extent such funds exceed the Class A Investor Interest and in an amount not to exceed the Class B Investor Interest) on the scheduled payment date.

On each transfer date, if a reduction in the Required Collateral Interest has occurred, a portion of collections of principal receivables allocable to the Investor Interest will be applied in accordance with the loan agreement among

the seller, the trustee, the servicer and the Collateral Interest holder (referred to in this prospectus supplement as the loan agreement) to reduce the Collateral Interest to the Required Collateral Interest.

During the Controlled Accumulation Period, the portion of Available Investor Principal Collections not applied to Class A Monthly Principal, Class B Monthly Principal or Collateral Monthly Principal on a transfer date will generally be treated as Shared Principal Collections. If funds on deposit in the principal funding

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account are insufficient to pay in full the Investor Interest on the scheduled payment date, the Rapid Amortization Period will commence.

"Available Investor Principal Collections" means, with respect to any monthly period, an amount equal to the sum of:

(a) (i) collections of principal receivables received during such monthly period and certain other amounts allocable to the Investor Interest; minus

(ii) the amount of Reallocated Principal Collections with respect to such monthly period used to fund the Class A Required Amount and the Class B Required Amount; plus

(b) any Shared Principal Collections with respect to other series in group one that are allocated to the Series 2001-A.

#### Rapid Amortization Period

On each distribution date with respect to the Rapid Amortization Period, the Class A certificateholders will be entitled to receive Available Investor Principal Collections for the related monthly period in an amount up to the Class A Investor Interest until the earliest of the date the Class A certificates are paid in full, the Series 2001-A Termination Date and the Trust Termination Date.

After payment in full of the Class A Investor Interest, the Class B certificateholders will be entitled to receive, on each distribution date with respect to the Rapid Amortization Period, Available Investor Principal Collections for the related monthly period in an amount up to the Class B Investor Interest until the earliest of the date the Class B certificates are paid in full, the Series 2001-A Termination Date and the Trust Termination Date.

After payment in full of the Class B Investor Interest, the Collateral Interest holder will be entitled to receive on each transfer date (other than the transfer date prior to the Series 2001-A Termination Date) and on the Series 2001-A Termination Date, Available Investor Principal Collections until the earliest of the date the Collateral Interest is paid in full, the Series 2001-A Termination Date and the Trust Termination Date.

#### Postponement of Controlled Accumulation Period

Upon written notice to the trustee, the servicer may elect to postpone the commencement of the Controlled Accumulation Period, and extend the length of the Revolving Period, subject to certain conditions including those set forth below. The servicer may make such election only if the Accumulation Period length (determined as described below) is less than twelve months.

On the determination date immediately preceding the January 2005 distribution date, and each determination date thereafter, until the Controlled Accumulation Period begins, the servicer will determine the "Accumulation Period Length," which is the number of whole months expected to be required to fully fund the principal funding account no later than the scheduled payment date, based on:

(a) the expected monthly collections of principal receivables expected to be distributable to the certificateholders of all series (excluding certain other series), assuming a principal payment rate no greater than the lowest monthly principal payment rate on the receivables for the preceding twelve months; and

(b) the amount of principal expected to be distributable to certificateholders of all series (excluding certain other series) which are not expected to be in their revolving periods during the Controlled Accumulation Period.

The calculation of Accumulation Period Length may be changed at any time if the Rating Agency Condition is satisfied. If the Accumulation Period Length is less than twelve months, the servicer may, at its

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option, postpone the commencement of the Controlled Accumulation Period such

that the number of months included in the Controlled Accumulation Period will be equal to or exceed the Accumulation Period Length. The effect of the foregoing calculation is to permit the reduction of the length of the Controlled Accumulation Period based on the Investor Interest of certain other series which are scheduled to be in their revolving periods during the Controlled Accumulation Period and on increases in the principal payment rate occurring after the closing date. The length of the Controlled Accumulation Period will not be determined to be less than one month.

#### Subordination

The Class B certificates and the Collateral Interest will be subordinated to the extent necessary to fund certain payments with respect to the Class A certificates. In addition, the Collateral Interest will be subordinated to the extent necessary to fund certain payments with respect to the Class B certificates. Certain principal payments otherwise allocable to the Class B certificateholders may be reallocated to cover amounts in respect of the Class A certificates, and the Class B Investor Interest may be reduced if the Collateral Interest is equal to zero. Similarly, certain principal payments allocable to the Collateral Interest may be reallocated to cover amounts in respect of the Class A certificates and the Class B certificates, and the Collateral Interest may be reduced.

To the extent the Class B Investor Interest is reduced, the percentage of collections of finance charge receivables allocated to the Class B certificates in subsequent monthly periods will be reduced. Moreover, to the extent the amount of such reduction in the Class B Investor Interest is not reimbursed, the amount of principal distributable to, and the amounts available to be distributed with respect to interest on, the Class B certificateholders will be reduced. See "--Allocation Percentages," "--Reallocation of Cash Flows" and "--Application of Collections--Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement.

#### Allocation Percentages

The servicer will allocate among the Investor Interest for Series 2001-A, the Investor Interest for all other series issued and outstanding and the Seller Interest, all amounts collected on finance charge receivables, all amounts collected on principal receivables and all default amounts with respect to each monthly period. Each "monthly period" will be the period from and including the first day of a calendar month to and including the last day of such calendar month (other than the initial monthly period, which will commence on and include the closing date and end on and include March 31, 2001).

#### Floating Allocation Definitions

Collections of finance charge receivables and default amounts at any time and collections of principal receivables during the Revolving Period will be allocated to the Investor Interest based on the Floating Investor Percentage. The "Floating Investor Percentage" means, with respect to any monthly period, the percentage equivalent of a fraction:

- . the numerator of which is the Adjusted Investor Interest as of the close of business on the last day of the preceding monthly period (or with respect to the first monthly period, the initial Investor Interest); and
- . the denominator of which is the greater of:

(x) the aggregate amount of principal receivables as of the close of business on the last day of the preceding monthly period (or with respect to the first calendar month in the first monthly period, the aggregate amount of principal receivables as of the close of business on the day immediately preceding the closing date and with respect to the second calendar month in the first monthly period, the aggregate amount of principal receivables as of the close of business on the last day of the first calendar month in the first monthly period); and

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(y) the sum of the numerators used to calculate the Investor Percentages for allocations with respect to finance charge receivables, default amounts or principal receivables, as applicable, for all outstanding series on such date of determination.

However, with respect to any monthly period in which an addition of accounts occurs or in which a removal of accounts occurs on a date on which, if any series has been paid in full, principal receivables in an aggregate amount approximately equal to the initial Investor Interest of such series are removed from the trust, the amount in clause (x) above shall be:

(i) the aggregate amount of principal receivables in the trust as of the close of business on the last day of the prior monthly period for the period from and including the first day of such monthly period to but excluding the related addition date or removal date; and

(ii) the aggregate amount of principal receivables in the trust as of the

beginning of the day on the related addition date or removal date after adjusting for the aggregate amount of principal receivables added to or removed from the trust on the related addition date or removal date, as the case may be, for the period from and including the related addition date or removal date to and including the last day of such monthly period.

Such amounts so allocated will be further allocated between the Class A certificateholders, the Class B certificateholders and the Collateral Interest holder based on the Class A Floating Allocation, the Class B Floating Allocation and the Collateral Floating Allocation, respectively.

The "Class A Floating Allocation" means, with respect to any monthly period, the percentage equivalent (which percentage shall never exceed 100%) of a fraction:

- . the numerator of which is equal to the Class A Adjusted Investor Interest as of the close of business on the last day of the preceding monthly period (or with respect to the first monthly period, as of the closing date); and
- . the denominator of which is equal to the Adjusted Investor Interest as of the close of business on such day.

The "Class B Floating Allocation" means, with respect to any monthly period, the percentage equivalent (which percentage shall never exceed 100%) of a fraction:

- . the numerator of which is equal to the Class B Adjusted Investor Interest as of the close of business on the last day of the preceding monthly period (or with respect to the first monthly period, as of the closing date); and
- . the denominator of which is equal to the Adjusted Investor Interest as of the close of business on such day.

The "Collateral Floating Allocation" means, with respect to any monthly period, the percentage equivalent (which percentage shall never exceed 100%) of a fraction:

- . the numerator of which is equal to the Collateral Interest as of the close of business on the last day of the preceding monthly period (or with respect to the first monthly period, as of the closing date); and
- . the denominator of which is equal to the Adjusted Investor Interest as of the close of business on such day.

#### Fixed Allocation Definitions

Collections of principal receivables during the Controlled Accumulation Period and the Rapid Amortization Period will be allocated to the Investor Interest based on the Fixed Investor Percentage. The

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"Fixed Investor Percentage" means, with respect to any monthly period, the percentage equivalent of a fraction:

- . the numerator of which is the Investor Interest as of the close of business on the last day of the Revolving Period; and
- . the denominator of which is the greater of:
  - (x) the aggregate amount of principal receivables as of the close of business on the last day of the prior monthly period; and
  - (y) the sum of the numerators used to calculate the Investor Percentages for allocations with respect to principal receivables for all outstanding series for such monthly period.

However, with respect to any monthly period in which an addition of accounts occurs or in which a removal of accounts occurs on a date on which, if any series has been paid in full, principal receivables in an aggregate amount approximately equal to the initial Investor Interest of such series are removed from the trust, the amount in clause (x) above shall be:

(i) the aggregate amount of principal receivables in the trust as of the close of business on the last day of the prior monthly period for the period from and including the first day of such monthly period to but excluding the related addition date or removal date; and

(ii) the aggregate amount of principal receivables in the trust at the beginning of the day on the related addition date or removal date after adjusting for the aggregate amount of principal receivables added to or

removed from the trust on the related addition date or removal date, as the case may be, for the period from and including the related addition date or removal date to and including the last day of such monthly period.

Such amounts so allocated will be further allocated between the Class A certificateholders, the Class B certificateholders and the Collateral Interest holder based on the Class A Fixed Allocation, the Class B Fixed Allocation and the Collateral Fixed Allocation, respectively.

The "Class A Fixed Allocation" means, with respect to any monthly period, the percentage equivalent (which percentage shall never exceed 100%) of a fraction:

- . the numerator of which is equal to the Class A Investor Interest as of the close of business on the last day of the Revolving Period; and
- . the denominator of which is equal to the Investor Interest as of the close of business on the last day of the Revolving Period.

The "Class B Fixed Allocation" means, with respect to any monthly period, the percentage equivalent (which percentage shall never exceed 100%) of a fraction:

- . the numerator of which is equal to the Class B Investor Interest as of the close of business on the last day of the Revolving Period; and
- . the denominator of which is equal to the Investor Interest as of the close of business on the last day of the Revolving Period.

The "Collateral Fixed Allocation" means, with respect to any monthly period, the percentage equivalent (which percentage shall never exceed 100%) of a fraction:

- . the numerator of which is equal to the Collateral Interest as of the close of business on the last day of the Revolving Period; and
- . the denominator of which is equal to the Investor Interest as of the close of business on the last day of the Revolving Period.

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#### Investor Interest Definitions

"Class A Investor Interest" for any date means an amount equal to:

- (a) the aggregate initial principal amount of the Class A certificates; minus
- (b) the aggregate amount of principal payments made to Class A certificateholders prior to such date; minus
- (c) the excess, if any, of the aggregate amount of Class A Investor Charge-Offs for all transfer dates preceding such date over the aggregate amount of any reimbursements of Class A Investor Charge-Offs for all transfer dates preceding such date;

provided, however, that the Class A Investor Interest may not be reduced below zero.

"Class B Investor Interest" for any date means an amount equal to:

- (a) the aggregate initial principal amount of the Class B certificates; minus
- (b) the aggregate amount of principal payments made to Class B certificateholders prior to such date; minus
- (c) the aggregate amount of Class B Investor Charge-Offs for all prior transfer dates; minus
- (d) the aggregate amount of Reallocated Class B Principal Collections for all prior transfer dates for which the Collateral Interest has not been reduced; minus
- (e) the aggregate amount by which the Class B Investor Interest has been reduced to fund the Class A Investor Default Amount on all prior transfer dates as described under "--Defaulted Receivables; Investor Charge-Offs" in this prospectus supplement; plus
- (f) the aggregate amount of Excess Spread allocated and available on all prior transfer dates for the purpose of reimbursing amounts deducted pursuant to the foregoing clauses (c), (d) and (e);

provided, however, that the Class B Investor Interest may not be reduced below zero.

"Collateral Interest" for any date means an amount equal to:



(a) \$93,750,000; minus

(b) the aggregate amount of principal payments made to the Collateral Interest holder prior to such date; minus

(c) the aggregate amount of Collateral Charge-Offs for all prior transfer dates; minus

(d) the aggregate amount of Reallocated Principal Collections for all prior transfer dates; minus

(e) the aggregate amount by which the Collateral Interest has been reduced to fund the Class A Investor Default Amount and the Class B Investor Default Amount on all prior transfer dates as described under "-- Defaulted Receivables; Investor Charge-Offs" in this prospectus supplement; plus

(f) the aggregate amount of Excess Spread allocated and available on all prior transfer dates for the purpose of reimbursing amounts deducted pursuant to the foregoing clauses (c), (d) and (e);

provided, however, that the Collateral Interest may not be reduced below zero.

"Investor Interest," for any date of determination, means an amount equal to the sum of (a) the Class A Investor Interest, (b) the Class B Investor Interest and (c) the Collateral Interest.

"Class A Adjusted Investor Interest," for any date of determination, means an amount equal to the Class A Investor Interest, minus the funds on deposit in the principal funding account on such date (up to the Class A Investor Interest).

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"Class B Adjusted Investor Interest," for any date of determination, means an amount equal to the Class B Investor Interest, minus the funds on deposit in the principal funding account in excess of the Class A Investor Interest on such date (up to the Class B Investor Interest).

"Adjusted Investor Interest," for any date of determination, means the sum of (a) the Class A Adjusted Investor Interest, (b) the Class B Adjusted Investor Interest and (c) the Collateral Interest.

#### Reallocation of Cash Flows

##### Class A Required Amount

For each transfer date, the servicer will determine the "Class A Required Amount," which will be equal to:

(a) Class A Monthly Interest due on the related distribution date and overdue Class A Monthly Interest and Class A Additional Interest, if any; plus

(b) the Class A Servicing Fee for the related monthly period and overdue Class A Servicing Fee, if any; plus

(c) the Class A Investor Default Amount, if any, for the related monthly period; minus

(d) the Class A Available Funds for the related monthly period.

If the Class A Required Amount is greater than zero, the following reallocations will occur:

. Excess Spread allocated to Series 2001-A and available for such purpose will be used to fund the Class A Required Amount with respect to such transfer date;

. if such Excess Spread is insufficient to fund the Class A Required Amount, first, Reallocated Collateral Principal Collections and, then, Reallocated Class B Principal Collections will be used to fund the remaining Class A Required Amount; and

. if Reallocated Principal Collections with respect to the related monthly period, together with Excess Spread, are insufficient to fund the remaining Class A Required Amount for such related monthly period, then the Collateral Interest (after giving effect to reductions for any Collateral Charge-Offs and Reallocated Principal Collections on such transfer date) will be reduced by the amount of such excess (but not by more than the Class A Investor Default Amount for such monthly period).

In the event that such reduction would cause the Collateral Interest to be a negative number, the Collateral Interest will be reduced to zero, and the Class

B Investor Interest (after giving effect to reductions for any Class B Investor Charge-Offs and any Reallocated Class B Principal Collections for which the Collateral Interest was not reduced on such transfer date) will be reduced by the amount by which the Collateral Interest would have been reduced below zero (but not by more than the excess of the Class A Investor Default Amount, if any, for such monthly period over the amount of such reduction, if any, of the Collateral Interest with respect to such monthly period).

In the event that such reduction would cause the Class B Investor Interest to be a negative number, the Class B Investor Interest will be reduced to zero and the Class A Investor Interest will be reduced by the amount by which the Class B Investor Interest would have been reduced below zero (but not by more than the excess, if any, of the Class A Investor Default Amount for such monthly period over the amount of the reductions, if any, of the Collateral Interest and the Class B Investor Interest with respect to such monthly period). Any such reduction in the Class A Investor Interest will have the effect of slowing or reducing the return of principal and interest to the Class A certificateholders. In such case, the Class A certificateholders will bear directly the credit and other risks associated with their interests in the trust. See "--Defaulted Receivables; Investor Charge-Offs" in this prospectus supplement.

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#### Class B Required Amount

For each transfer date, the servicer will determine the "Class B Required Amount," which will be equal to:

(a) the amount, if any, equal to:

(i) Class B Monthly Interest due on the related distribution date and overdue Class B Monthly Interest and Class B Additional Interest, if any; plus

(ii) the Class B Servicing Fee for the related monthly period and overdue Class B Servicing Fee, if any; minus

(iii) the Class B Available Funds for the related monthly period; plus

(b) the Class B Investor Default Amount, if any, for the related monthly period.

If the Class B Required Amount is greater than zero, the following reallocations will occur:

- . Excess Spread allocated to Series 2001-A not required to pay the Class A Required Amount or to reimburse Class A Investor Charge-Offs will be used to fund the Class B Required Amount with respect to such transfer date;
- . if such Excess Spread is insufficient to fund the Class B Required Amount, Reallocated Collateral Principal Collections not required to fund the Class A Required Amount for the related monthly period will be used to fund the remaining Class B Required Amount; and
- . if such Reallocated Collateral Principal Collections with respect to the related monthly period are insufficient to fund the remaining Class B Required Amount, then the Collateral Interest (after giving effect to reductions for any Collateral Charge-Offs and Reallocated Principal Collections on such transfer date and after any adjustments made thereto for the benefit of the Class A certificateholders) will be reduced by the amount of such deficiency (but not by more than the Class B Investor Default Amount for such monthly period).

In the event that such a reduction would cause the Collateral Interest to be a negative number, the Collateral Interest will be reduced to zero, and the Class B Investor Interest will be reduced by the amount by which the Collateral Interest would have been reduced below zero (but not by more than the excess of the Class B Investor Default Amount for such monthly period over the amount of such reduction of the Collateral Interest), and the Class B certificateholders will bear directly the credit and other risks associated with their interests in the trust. See "--Defaulted Receivables; Investor Charge-Offs" in this prospectus supplement.

Reductions of the Class A Investor Interest or Class B Investor Interest described above shall be reimbursed by, and the Class A Investor Interest or Class B Investor Interest increased to the extent of, Excess Spread available for such purposes on each transfer date. See "--Application of Collections-- Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement. When such reductions of the Class A Investor Interest and Class B Investor Interest have been fully reimbursed, reductions of the Collateral Interest shall be reimbursed until reimbursed in full in a similar manner.

"Reallocated Class B Principal Collections" for any monthly period means

collections of principal receivables allocable to the Class B Investor Interest for such monthly period in an amount not to exceed the amount applied to fund the Class A Required Amount, if any; provided that such amount will not exceed the Class B Investor Interest after giving effect to any Class B Investor Charge-Offs for the related transfer date.

"Reallocated Collateral Principal Collections" for any monthly period means collections of principal receivables allocable to the Collateral Interest for such monthly period in an amount not to exceed the amount applied to fund the Class A Required Amount and the Class B Required Amount, if any; provided that such amount will not exceed the Collateral Interest after giving effect to any Collateral Charge-Offs for the related transfer date.

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"Reallocated Principal Collections" for any monthly period means the sum of (a) the Reallocated Class B Principal Collections for such monthly period, if any, and (b) the Reallocated Collateral Principal Collections for such monthly period, if any.

#### Application of Collections

##### Payment of Interest, Fees and Other Items

The trustee, acting pursuant to the servicer's instructions, will apply the Class A Available Funds, Class B Available Funds and Collateral Available Funds in the finance charge account on each transfer date in the following priority:

(a) An amount equal to the Class A Available Funds will be distributed in the following priority:

(i) an amount equal to Class A Monthly Interest for the related distribution date, plus the amount of any overdue Class A Monthly Interest and Class A Additional Interest thereon, if any, will be deposited into the distribution account for distribution to Class A certificateholders on such distribution date;

(ii) an amount equal to the Class A Servicing Fee for the related monthly period, plus the amount of any overdue Class A Servicing Fee, will be paid to the servicer;

(iii) an amount equal to the Class A Investor Default Amount, if any, for the related monthly period will be treated as a portion of Available Investor Principal Collections and deposited into the principal account for such transfer date; and

(iv) the balance, if any, will constitute a portion of Excess Spread and will be allocated and distributed as described under "--Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement.

(b) An amount equal to the Class B Available Funds will be distributed in the following priority:

(i) an amount equal to Class B Monthly Interest for the related distribution date, plus the amount of any overdue Class B Monthly Interest and Class B Additional Interest thereon, if any, will be deposited into the distribution account for distribution to Class B certificateholders on such distribution date;

(ii) an amount equal to the Class B Servicing Fee for the related monthly period, plus the amount of any overdue Class B Servicing Fee, will be paid to the servicer; and

(iii) the balance, if any, will constitute a portion of Excess Spread and will be allocated and distributed as described under "--Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement.

(c) An amount equal to the Collateral Available Funds will be distributed in the following priority:

(i) if MBNA or The Bank of New York is no longer the servicer, an amount equal to the Collateral Interest Servicing Fee, plus the amount of any overdue Collateral Interest Servicing Fee, for the related monthly period will be paid to the servicer; and

(ii) the balance, if any, will constitute a portion of Excess Spread and will be allocated and distributed as described under "--Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement.

"Class A Monthly Interest" for any distribution date will equal the product of:

(a) the Class A certificate rate for the related interest period,

(b) the actual number of days in such interest period divided by 360, and

(c) the outstanding principal balance of the Class A certificates as of the related record date.

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However, for the first distribution date, Class A Monthly Interest will be equal to the interest accrued on the initial outstanding principal balance of the Class A certificates at the Class A certificate rate for the period from and including the closing date through but excluding April 16, 2001.

"Class B Monthly Interest" for any distribution date will equal the product of:

- (a) the Class B certificate rate for the related interest period,
- (b) the actual number of days in such interest period divided by 360, and
- (c) the outstanding principal balance of the Class B certificates as of the related record date.

However, for the first distribution date, Class B Monthly Interest will be equal to the interest accrued on the initial outstanding principal balance of the Class B certificates at the Class B certificate rate for the period from and including the closing date through but excluding April 16, 2001.

"Collateral Available Funds" means, for any monthly period, an amount equal to the Collateral Floating Allocation of collections of finance charge receivables and annual membership fees allocated to the Investor Interest with respect to such monthly period (excluding the portion of collections of finance charge receivables attributable to interchange that is allocable to Servicer Interchange).

"Excess Spread" means, for any transfer date, an amount equal to the sum of the amounts described in clause (a) (iv), clause (b) (iii) and clause (c) (ii) above.

#### Excess Spread

On each transfer date, the trustee, acting pursuant to the servicer's instructions, will apply Excess Spread for the related monthly period, to make the following distributions in the following priority:

(a) an amount equal to the Class A Required Amount, if any, for such transfer date will be used to fund the Class A Required Amount, and if the Class A Required Amount for such transfer date exceeds the amount of Excess Spread, such Excess Spread will be applied:

- . first to pay amounts described in clause (a) (i) above under "-- Payment of Interest, Fees and Other Items,"
- . second to pay amounts described in clause (a) (ii) above under "-- Payment of Interest, Fees and Other Items," and
- . third to pay amounts described in clause (a) (iii) above under "-- Payment of Interest, Fees and Other Items;"

(b) an amount equal to the aggregate amount of Class A Investor Charge-Offs which have not been previously reimbursed will be deposited into the principal account and treated as a portion of Available Investor Principal Collections for such transfer date as described under "--Payments of Principal" below;

(c) an amount equal to the Class B Required Amount, if any, for such transfer date will be used to fund the Class B Required Amount and will be applied:

- . first to pay amounts described in clause (b) (i) above under "-- Payment of Interest, Fees and Other Items,"
- . second to pay amounts described in clause (b) (ii) above under "-- Payment of Interest, Fees and Other Items," and
- . third, the amount remaining, up to the Class B Investor Default Amount, will be deposited into the principal account and treated as a portion of Available Investor Principal Collections for such transfer date as described under "--Payments of Principal" below;

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(d) an amount equal to the aggregate amount by which the Class B Investor Interest has been reduced below the initial Class B Investor Interest for reasons other than the payment of principal to the Class B certificateholders (but not in excess of the aggregate amount of such reductions which have not been previously reimbursed) will be deposited

into the principal account and treated as a portion of Available Investor Principal Collections for such transfer date as described under "--Payments of Principal" below;

(e) an amount equal to Collateral Monthly Interest for such transfer date, plus the amount of any Collateral Monthly Interest previously due but not distributed to the Collateral Interest holder on a prior transfer date, will be distributed to the Collateral Interest holder for distribution in accordance with the loan agreement;

(f) if MBNA or The Bank of New York is the servicer, an amount equal to the Collateral Interest Servicing Fee, plus the amount of any overdue Collateral Interest Servicing Fee, for the related monthly period will be paid to the servicer;

(g) an amount equal to the aggregate Collateral Default Amount, if any, for such transfer date will be deposited into the principal account and treated as a portion of Available Investor Principal Collections for such transfer date as described under "--Payments of Principal" below;

(h) an amount equal to the aggregate amount by which the Collateral Interest has been reduced below the Required Collateral Interest for reasons other than the payment of principal to the Collateral Interest holder (but not in excess of the aggregate amount of such reductions which have not been previously reimbursed) will be deposited into the principal account and treated as a portion of Available Investor Principal Collections for such transfer date as described under "--Payments of Principal" below;

(i) on each transfer date from and after the funding of the reserve account, but prior to the date on which the reserve account terminates as described under "--Reserve Account" in this prospectus supplement, an amount up to the excess, if any, of the Required Reserve Account Amount over the amount available to be withdrawn from the reserve account shall be deposited into the reserve account; and

(j) the balance, if any, after giving effect to the payments made pursuant to subparagraphs (a) through (i) above shall be applied in accordance with the loan agreement.

"Collateral Monthly Interest" for any transfer date will equal the product of:

(a) an amount equal to the London interbank offered rate for one-month United States dollar deposits plus % per annum or such lesser amount as may be designated in the loan agreement;

(b) the actual number of days in the related interest period divided by 360; and

(c) the Collateral Interest as of the related record date or, with respect to the first transfer date, the Collateral Interest as of the closing date.

#### Payments of Principal

On each transfer date, the trustee, acting pursuant to the servicer's instructions, will distribute Available Investor Principal Collections on deposit in the principal account in the following priority:

(a) during the Revolving Period, all such Available Investor Principal Collections will be distributed or deposited in the following priority:

(i) an amount equal to the Collateral Monthly Principal will be paid to the Collateral Interest holder in accordance with the loan agreement; and

(ii) the balance will be treated as Shared Principal Collections and applied as described under "Description of Series Provisions--Shared Principal Collections" in this prospectus supplement and "Description of the Certificates--Shared Principal Collections" in the accompanying prospectus;

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(b) during the Controlled Accumulation Period or the Rapid Amortization Period, all such Available Investor Principal Collections will be distributed or deposited in the following priority:

(i) an amount equal to Class A Monthly Principal will be deposited in the principal funding account (during the Controlled Accumulation Period) or distributed (on the related distribution date) to the Class A certificateholders (during the Rapid Amortization Period);

(ii) an amount equal to Class B Monthly Principal will be:

(x) after an amount equal to the Class A Investor Interest has been deposited in the principal funding account (taking into account deposits to be made on such transfer date), deposited in the principal funding account (during the Controlled Accumulation Period); or

(y) after the Class A Investor Interest has been paid in full (taking into account payments to be made on the related distribution date), distributed on the related distribution date to the Class B certificateholders (during the Rapid Amortization Period);

(c) on each transfer date with respect to the Controlled Accumulation Period and the Rapid Amortization Period in which a reduction in the Required Collateral Interest has occurred, Available Investor Principal Collections not applied to Class A Monthly Principal or Class B Monthly Principal will be applied to reduce the Collateral Interest to the Required Collateral Interest; and

(d) during the Controlled Accumulation Period and the Rapid Amortization Period, the balance of Available Investor Principal Collections not applied pursuant to (b) and (c) above, if any, will be treated as Shared Principal Collections and applied as described under "--Shared Principal Collections" in this prospectus supplement and "Description of the Certificates--Shared Principal Collections" in the accompanying prospectus.

The final payment of principal and interest on the certificates will be made no later than July 15, 2008, or, if that date is not a business day, the next business day (such date, the "Series 2001-A Termination Date").

"Class A Monthly Principal" for any transfer date relating to (a) the Controlled Accumulation Period, prior to the deposit in full of an amount equal to the Class A Investor Interest in the principal funding account, or (b) the Rapid Amortization Period, prior to the payment in full of the Class A Investor Interest, will equal the least of:

(i) the Available Investor Principal Collections on deposit in the principal account for such transfer date;

(ii) for each transfer date with respect to the Controlled Accumulation Period, the Controlled Deposit Amount for such transfer date; and

(iii) the Class A Adjusted Investor Interest prior to any deposits on such transfer date.

"Class B Monthly Principal" for any transfer date relating to (a) the Controlled Accumulation Period, beginning with the transfer date on which an amount equal to the Class A Investor Interest has been deposited in the principal funding account (after taking into account deposits to be made on such transfer date), or (b) the Rapid Amortization Period, beginning with the transfer date immediately preceding the distribution date on which the Class A certificates will be paid in full (after taking into account payments to be made on the related distribution date), will equal the least of:

(i) the Available Investor Principal Collections on deposit in the principal account with respect to such transfer date (minus the portion of such Available Investor Principal Collections applied to Class A Monthly Principal on such transfer date);

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(ii) for each transfer date with respect to the Controlled Accumulation Period, the Controlled Deposit Amount for such transfer date (minus the Class A Monthly Principal for such transfer date); and

(iii) the Class B Adjusted Investor Interest prior to any deposits on such transfer date.

"Collateral Monthly Principal" means:

(a) with respect to any transfer date relating to the Revolving Period following any reduction of the Required Collateral Interest pursuant to clause (4) of the proviso in the definition thereof, an amount equal to the lesser of:

(i) the excess, if any, of the Collateral Interest (after giving effect to reductions for any Collateral Charge-Offs and Reallocated Principal Collections on such transfer date and after giving effect to any adjustments thereto for the benefit of Class A certificateholders and Class B certificateholders on such transfer date) over the Required Collateral Interest on such transfer date, and

(ii) the Available Investor Principal Collections on such transfer date, or

(b) with respect to any transfer date relating to the Controlled Accumulation Period or the Rapid Amortization Period, an amount equal to the lesser of:

(i) the excess, if any, of the Collateral Interest (after giving effect to reductions for any Collateral Charge-Offs and Reallocated Principal Collections on such transfer date and after giving effect to any adjustments thereto for the benefit of Class A certificateholders and Class B certificateholders on such transfer date) over the Required Collateral Interest on such transfer date, and

(ii) the excess, if any, of (A) the Available Investor Principal Collections on such transfer date over (B) the sum of the Class A Monthly Principal and the Class B Monthly Principal for such transfer date.

"Controlled Deposit Amount" means for any transfer date during the Controlled Accumulation Period, the sum of the applicable Controlled Accumulation Amount and the applicable Accumulation Shortfall.

"Controlled Accumulation Amount" means for any transfer date during the Controlled Accumulation Period, \$96,354,166.67. However, if the commencement of the Controlled Accumulation Period is delayed as described above under "-- Postponement of Controlled Accumulation Period," the Controlled Accumulation Amount may be higher than the amount stated above for each transfer date with respect to the Controlled Accumulation Period and will be determined by the servicer in accordance with the master agreement based on the principal payment rates for the accounts of the trust and on the Investor Interests of other series (other than certain excluded series) which are scheduled to be in their revolving periods and then scheduled to create Shared Principal Collections during the Controlled Accumulation Period.

"Accumulation Shortfall" means:

(a) on the first transfer date during the Controlled Accumulation Period, the excess, if any, of the Controlled Accumulation Amount for such transfer date over the amount deposited in the principal funding account on such transfer date; and

(b) on each subsequent transfer date during the Controlled Accumulation Period, the excess, if any, of the applicable Controlled Accumulation Amount for such subsequent transfer date plus any Accumulation Shortfall for the prior transfer date over the amount deposited in the principal funding account on such subsequent transfer date.

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#### Shared Principal Collections

Collections of principal receivables for any monthly period allocated to the Investor Interest will first be used to cover:

(a) during the Controlled Accumulation Period, deposits of the applicable Controlled Deposit Amount to the principal funding account; and

(b) during the Rapid Amortization Period, payments to the certificateholders and then under certain circumstances payments to the Collateral Interest holder.

The servicer will determine the amount of collections of principal receivables for any monthly period allocated to the Investor Interest remaining after covering required payments to the certificateholders and the Collateral Interest holder and any similar amount remaining for any other series in group one, called "Shared Principal Collections." The servicer will allocate the Shared Principal Collections to cover any scheduled or permitted principal distributions to certificateholders and deposits to principal funding accounts, if any, for any series in group one which have not been covered out of the collections of principal receivables allocable to such series and certain other amounts for such series. If these principal shortfalls exceed Shared Principal Collections for any monthly period, Shared Principal Collections will be allocated pro rata among the applicable series in group one based on the relative amounts of principal shortfalls. To the extent that Shared Principal Collections exceed principal shortfalls, the balance will, subject to certain limitations, be paid to the holder of the Seller Interest.

#### Required Collateral Interest

The "Required Collateral Interest" with respect to any transfer date means:

(i) initially \$93,750,000, and

(ii) thereafter on each transfer date an amount equal to 7.5% of the sum of the Class A Adjusted Investor Interest and the Class B Adjusted Investor Interest on such transfer date, after taking into account funds on deposit in the principal funding account on such transfer date and payments to be

made on the related distribution date, and the Collateral Interest on the prior transfer date after any adjustments made on such prior transfer date, but not less than \$25,000,000; provided, however, that:

(1) notwithstanding clause (2) below, if the amount on deposit in the principal funding account equals the Class A Investor Interest (taking into account any deposits to be made on such transfer date) and the Class B Investor Interest will be reduced to zero on the related distribution date, the Required Collateral Interest for any transfer date will be zero,

(2) if certain reductions in the Collateral Interest are made or if a Pay Out Event occurs, the Required Collateral Interest for such transfer date shall equal the Required Collateral Interest for the transfer date immediately preceding the occurrence of such reduction or Pay Out Event,

(3) in no event shall the Required Collateral Interest exceed the unpaid principal amount of the certificates as of the last day of the monthly period preceding such transfer date after taking into account payments to be made on the related distribution date, and

(4) the Required Collateral Interest may be reduced to a lesser amount at any time if the Rating Agency Condition is satisfied.

With respect to any transfer date, if the Collateral Interest is less than the Required Collateral Interest, certain Excess Spread, if available, will be allocated to increase the Collateral Interest to the extent of such shortfall. Any of such Excess Spread not required to be so allocated or deposited into the reserve account with respect to any transfer date will be applied in accordance with the loan agreement. See "--Application of Collections--Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement.

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#### Defaulted Receivables; Investor Charge-Offs

On or before each transfer date, the servicer will calculate the Aggregate Investor Default Amount for the preceding monthly period. The term "Aggregate Investor Default Amount" means, for any monthly period, the sum of the Investor Default Amounts for such monthly period. The term "Investor Default Amount" means, for any receivable, the product of:

(a) the Floating Investor Percentage on the day the applicable account became a defaulted account; and

(b) the "Default Amount," which is the aggregate amount of principal receivables (other than ineligible receivables) in such account on the day such account became a defaulted account.

A portion of the Aggregate Investor Default Amount will be allocated to the Class A certificateholders on each transfer date. This allocable amount is called the "Class A Investor Default Amount," and is equal to the product of the Class A Floating Allocation applicable during the related monthly period and the Aggregate Investor Default Amount for such monthly period.

A portion of the Aggregate Investor Default Amount will be allocated to the Class B certificateholders on each transfer date. This allocable amount is called the "Class B Investor Default Amount," and is equal to the product of the Class B Floating Allocation applicable during the related monthly period and the Aggregate Investor Default Amount for such monthly period.

A portion of the Aggregate Investor Default Amount will be allocated to the Collateral Interest holder on each transfer date. This allocable amount is called the "Collateral Default Amount," and is equal to the product of the Collateral Floating Allocation applicable during the related monthly period and the Aggregate Investor Default Amount for such monthly period.

#### Class A Investor Default Amount

On each transfer date, if the Class A Investor Default Amount for such transfer date exceeds the amount of Class A Available Funds, Excess Spread and Reallocated Principal Collections available to fund such amount with respect to the monthly period immediately preceding such transfer date as described under "--Application of Collections--Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement, the Collateral Interest (after giving effect to reductions for any Collateral Charge-Offs and any Reallocated Principal Collections on such transfer date) will be reduced by the amount of such excess, but not more than the lesser of the Class A Investor Default Amount and the Collateral Interest (after giving effect to reductions for any Collateral Charge-Offs and any Reallocated Principal Collections on such transfer date) for such transfer date.

In the event that such reduction would cause the Collateral Interest to be a negative number, the Collateral Interest will be reduced to zero, and the Class B Investor Interest (after giving effect to reductions for any Class B Investor Charge-Offs and any Reallocated Class B Principal Collections on such transfer date for which the Collateral Interest is not reduced) will be reduced by the



amount by which the Collateral Interest would have been reduced below zero.

In the event that such reduction would cause the Class B Investor Interest to be a negative number, the Class B Investor Interest will be reduced to zero, and the Class A Investor Interest will be reduced by the amount by which the Class B Investor Interest would have been reduced below zero, but not more than the Class A Investor Default Amount for such transfer date. This reduction in the Class A Investor Interest is called a "Class A Investor Charge-Off."

If the Class A Investor Interest has been reduced by the amount of any Class A Investor Charge-Offs, it will be reimbursed on any transfer date (but not by an amount in excess of the aggregate Class A Investor Charge-Offs) by the amount of Excess Spread allocated and available for such purpose as described under "--Application of Collections--Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement.

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#### Class B Investor Default Amount

On each transfer date, if the Class B Investor Default Amount for such transfer date exceeds the amount of Excess Spread and Reallocated Collateral Principal Collections which are allocated and available to fund such amount with respect to the monthly period preceding such transfer date as described under "--Application of Collections--Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement, the Collateral Interest (after giving effect to reductions for any Collateral Charge-Offs and any Reallocated Principal Collections on such transfer date and after giving effect to any adjustments with respect thereto as described in the preceding paragraph) will be reduced by the amount of such excess. Such reduction, however will not be more than the lesser of the Class B Investor Default Amount and the Collateral Interest (after giving effect to reductions for any Collateral Charge-Offs and any Reallocated Principal Collections on such transfer date and after giving effect to any adjustments with respect thereto as described in "--Class A Investor Default Amount" above) for such transfer date.

In the event that such reduction would cause the Collateral Interest to be a negative number, the Collateral Interest will be reduced to zero and the Class B Investor Interest will be reduced by the amount by which the Collateral Interest would have been reduced below zero, but not more than the Class B Investor Default Amount for such transfer date. This reduction in the Class B Investor Interest is called a "Class B Investor Charge-Off."

The Class B Investor Interest will also be reduced by the amount of Reallocated Class B Principal Collections in excess of the Collateral Interest (after giving effect to reductions for any Collateral Charge-Offs and any Reallocated Collateral Principal Collections on such transfer date) and the amount of any portion of the Class B Investor Interest allocated to the Class A certificates to avoid a reduction in the Class A Investor Interest. The Class B Investor Interest will thereafter be reimbursed (but not in excess of the unpaid principal balance of the Class B certificates) on any transfer date by the amount of Excess Spread allocated and available for that purpose as described under "--Application of Collections--Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement.

#### Collateral Default Amount

On each transfer date, if the Collateral Default Amount for such transfer date exceeds the amount of Excess Spread which is allocated and available to fund such amount as described under "--Application of Collections--Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement, the Collateral Interest will be reduced by the amount of such excess, but not more than the lesser of the Collateral Default Amount and the Collateral Interest for such transfer date. This reduction in the Collateral Interest is called a "Collateral Charge-Off."

The Collateral Interest will also be reduced by the amount of Reallocated Principal Collections and the amount of any portion of the Collateral Interest allocated to the Class A certificates to avoid a reduction in the Class A Investor Interest or to the Class B certificates to avoid a reduction in the Class B Investor Interest. The Collateral Interest will thereafter be reimbursed on any transfer date by the amount of Excess Spread allocated and available for that purpose as described under "--Application of Collections--Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement.

#### Principal Funding Account

The trustee will establish and maintain with a Qualified Institution the principal funding account as a segregated trust account held for the benefit of the certificateholders and the Collateral Interest holder. During the Controlled Accumulation Period, the trustee at the direction of the servicer will transfer collections in respect of principal receivables (other than Reallocated Principal Collections) and Shared Principal Collections from other series, if any, allocated to the Series 2001-A certificates from the principal account to the principal funding account as described under "--Application of Collections" in this prospectus supplement.

Funds on deposit in the principal funding account will be invested to the following transfer date by the trustee at the direction of the servicer in Permitted Investments. During the Controlled Accumulation Period,

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investment earnings (net of investment losses and expenses) on funds on deposit in the principal funding account will be deposited in the finance charge account and included in Class A Available Funds and Class B Available Funds. If, for any transfer date, these amounts are less than the Covered Amount, the amount of such deficiency shall be withdrawn, to the extent required and available, from the reserve account and deposited in the finance charge account and included as Class A Available Funds or Class B Available Funds, as applicable, for such transfer date. See "--Reserve Account" in this prospectus supplement.

"Covered Amount" means, with respect to any transfer date, the sum of:

(a) with respect to the Class A certificates, the product of:

(i) the Class A certificate rate for the related interest period;

(ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the actual number of days in the related interest period, and the denominator of which is 360; and

(iii) the aggregate amount on deposit in the principal funding account with respect to Class A Monthly Principal as of the record date immediately preceding such transfer date; and

(b) with respect to the Class B certificates, the product of:

(i) the Class B certificate rate for the related interest period;

(ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the actual number of days in the related interest period, and the denominator of which is 360; and

(iii) the aggregate amount on deposit in the principal funding account with respect to Class B Monthly Principal as of the record date immediately preceding such transfer date.

#### Reserve Account

The trustee will establish and maintain with a Qualified Institution the reserve account as a segregated trust account held for the benefit of the certificateholders. The reserve account is established to assist with the subsequent distribution of interest on the certificates during the Controlled Accumulation Period and on the first transfer date for the Rapid Amortization Period. On each transfer date from and after the transfer date on which funding of the reserve account begins, but prior to the termination of the reserve account, the trustee, acting pursuant to the servicer's instructions, will apply Excess Spread allocated to the certificates (to the extent described above under "--Application of Collections--Excess Spread" in this prospectus supplement) to increase the amount on deposit in the reserve account (to the extent such amount is less than the Required Reserve Account Amount). The reserve account will begin to be funded no later than three months prior to the commencement of the Controlled Accumulation Period, or such earlier date as the servicer may determine.

The "Required Reserve Account Amount" for any transfer date will be equal to (a) 0.5% of the outstanding principal balance of the Class A certificates or (b) any other amount designated by the seller, except that if such designation is of a lesser amount, the seller will provide the servicer, the Collateral Interest holder and the trustee with evidence that the Rating Agency Condition has been satisfied, and the seller will deliver to the trustee a certificate of an authorized officer of the seller to the effect that, based on the facts known to such officer at such time, in the reasonable belief of the seller, such designation will not cause a Pay Out Event or an event that, after the giving of notice or the lapse of time, would cause a Pay Out Event to occur with respect to Series 2001-A.

On each transfer date, after giving effect to any deposit to be made to, and any withdrawal to be made from, the reserve account on such transfer date, the trustee will withdraw from the reserve account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the amount on deposit in the reserve account over the Required Reserve Account Amount and will distribute such excess to the Collateral Interest holder for application in accordance with the loan agreement.

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So long as the reserve account is not terminated as described below, all amounts on deposit in the reserve account on any transfer date (after giving effect to any deposits to, or withdrawals from, the reserve account to be made on such transfer date) will be invested to the following transfer date by the

trustee at the direction of the servicer in Permitted Investments. The interest and other investment income (net of investment expenses and losses) earned on such investments will be retained in the reserve account (to the extent the amount on deposit is less than the Required Reserve Account Amount) or deposited in the finance charge account and treated as Class A Available Funds.

On or before each transfer date for the Controlled Accumulation Period and on the first transfer date for the Rapid Amortization Period, a withdrawal will be made from the reserve account, and the amount of such withdrawal will be deposited in the finance charge account and included as Class A Available Funds or Class B Available Funds, as provided in the Series 2001-A supplement. However, the amount of such withdrawal will be reduced to the extent that funds otherwise would be available to be deposited in the reserve account on such transfer date.

The reserve account will be terminated upon the earliest to occur of:

- (a) the termination of the trust pursuant to the master agreement;
- (b) the first transfer date for the Rapid Amortization Period; and
- (c) the transfer date immediately preceding the scheduled payment date.

Upon the termination of the reserve account, all amounts on deposit therein (after giving effect to any withdrawal from the reserve account on such date as described above) will be distributed to the Collateral Interest holder for application in accordance with the loan agreement. Any amounts withdrawn from the reserve account and distributed to the Collateral Interest holder will not be available for distribution to the certificateholders.

#### Pay Out Events

The Revolving Period will continue through January 31, 2005 (unless such date is postponed as described under "--Postponement of Controlled Accumulation Period" in this prospectus supplement), unless a Pay Out Event occurs prior to such date. A "Pay Out Event" refers to any of the following events:

(a) failure on the part of the seller:

(i) to make any payment or deposit on the date required under the master agreement or the Series 2001-A supplement (or within the applicable grace period which shall not exceed five days); or

(ii) to observe or perform in any material respect any other covenants or agreements of the seller set forth in the master agreement or the Series 2001-A supplement, which failure has a material adverse effect on the certificateholders (which determination shall be made without reference to whether any funds are available under the Collateral Interest) and which continues unremedied for a period of 60 days after written notice of such failure, requiring the same to be remedied, and continues to materially and adversely affect the interests of the certificateholders (which determination shall be made without reference to whether any funds are available under the Collateral Interest) for such period;

(b) any representation or warranty made by the seller in the master agreement or the Series 2001-A supplement, or any information required to be given by the seller to the trustee to identify the accounts, proves to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or delivered and which continues to be incorrect in any material respect for a period of 60 days after written notice of such failure, requiring the same to be remedied, and as a result of which the interests of the certificateholders are materially and adversely affected (which determination shall be made without reference to whether any funds are available under the Collateral Interest) and continue to be materially and adversely affected for such

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period, except that a Pay Out Event pursuant to this subparagraph (b) will not occur if the seller has accepted reassignment of the related receivable or all such receivables, if applicable, during such period (or such longer period as the trustee may specify) in accordance with the provisions of the master agreement;

(c) the average of the Portfolio Yields for any three consecutive monthly periods is less than the average of the Base Rates for such period;

(d) a failure by the seller to convey receivables arising under additional accounts, or participations, to the trust when required by the master agreement;

(e) any servicer default occurs which would have a material adverse effect on the certificateholders;

(f) insufficient moneys available to pay the Class A Investor Interest

and the Class B Investor Interest on the scheduled payment date;

(g) certain events of insolvency, conservatorship or receivership relating to the seller;

(h) the seller becomes unable for any reason to transfer receivables to the trust in accordance with the provisions of the master agreement; or

(i) the trust becomes an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

The term "Base Rate" means, with respect to any monthly period, the annualized percentage equivalent of a fraction:

- . the numerator of which is the sum of Class A Monthly Interest, Class B Monthly Interest and Collateral Monthly Interest, each for the related interest period, and the Investor Servicing Fee and the Servicer Interchange, each for such monthly period; and
- . the denominator of which is the Investor Interest as of the close of business on the last day of such monthly period.

The term "Portfolio Yield" means, with respect to any monthly period, the annualized percentage equivalent of a fraction:

- . the numerator of which is the sum of collections of finance charge receivables, annual membership fees, principal funding account investment earnings and amounts withdrawn from the reserve account, and allocable to the Class A certificates, the Class B certificates and the Collateral Interest for such monthly period, calculated on a cash basis after subtracting the Aggregate Investor Default Amount for such monthly period; and
- . the denominator of which is the Investor Interest as of the close of business on the last day of such monthly period.

In the case of any event described in clause (a), (b) or (e) above, a Pay Out Event will occur only if, after any applicable grace period, either the trustee or the certificateholders and the Collateral Interest holder evidencing interests aggregating not less than 50% of the Investor Interest, by written notice to the seller and the servicer (and to the trustee if given by the certificateholders) declare that a Pay Out Event has occurred as of the date of such notice.

In the case of any event described in clause (g), (h) or (i), a Pay Out Event with respect to all series then outstanding, and in the case of any event described in clause (c), (d) or (f), a Pay Out Event with respect to only the certificates of Series 2001-A will occur without any notice or other action on the part of the trustee or the certificateholders immediately upon the occurrence of such event.

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On the date on which a Pay Out Event occurs, the Rapid Amortization Period will commence.

See "Description of the Certificates--Pay Out Events" in the accompanying prospectus for an additional discussion of the consequences of an insolvency, conservatorship or receivership of the seller.

#### Servicing Compensation and Payment of Expenses

The share of the servicing fee allocable to the Investor Interest for any transfer date, called the "Investor Servicing Fee," will equal one-twelfth of the product of (a) 2.0% and (b) the Adjusted Investor Interest as of the last day of the monthly period preceding such transfer date, except that for the first transfer date, the Investor Servicing Fee will be equal to \$ . On each transfer date, if MBNA or The Bank of New York is the servicer, Servicer Interchange for the related monthly period that is on deposit in the finance charge account will be withdrawn from the finance charge account and paid to the servicer in payment of a portion of the Investor Servicing Fee for such monthly period.

The "Servicer Interchange" for any monthly period for which MBNA or The Bank of New York is the servicer will be an amount equal to the portion of collections of finance charge receivables allocated to the Investor Interest for such monthly period that is attributable to interchange. However, Servicer Interchange for a monthly period will not exceed one-twelfth of the product of (i) the Adjusted Investor Interest, as of the last day of such monthly period and (ii) 0.75%; except that for the first transfer date, the Servicer Interchange may equal but shall not exceed \$ . In the case of any insufficiency of Servicer Interchange on deposit in the finance charge account, a portion of the Investor Servicing Fee with respect to such monthly period will not be paid to the extent of such insufficiency and in no event shall the trust, the trustee, the certificateholders or the Collateral Interest holder be

liable for the share of the Servicing Fee to be paid out of Servicer Interchange.

The "Class A Servicing Fee" is the share of the Investor Servicing Fee allocable to the Class A certificateholders for any transfer date and is equal to one-twelfth of the product of (a) the Class A Floating Allocation, (b) 1.25%, or if MBNA or The Bank of New York is not the servicer, 2.0% (the "Net Servicing Fee Rate") and (c) the Adjusted Investor Interest as of the last day of the monthly period preceding such transfer date; except that for the first transfer date the Class A Servicing Fee will be equal to \$ .

The "Class B Servicing Fee" is the share of the Investor Servicing Fee allocable to the Class B certificateholders for any transfer date and is equal to one-twelfth of the product of (a) the Class B Floating Allocation, (b) the Net Servicing Fee Rate and (c) the Adjusted Investor Interest as of the last day of the monthly period preceding such transfer date; except that for the first transfer date the Class B Servicing Fee will be equal to \$ .

The "Collateral Interest Servicing Fee" is the share of the Investor Servicing Fee allocable to the Collateral Interest holder for any transfer date and is equal to one-twelfth of the product of (a) the Collateral Floating Allocation, (b) the Net Servicing Fee Rate and (c) the Adjusted Investor Interest as of the last day of the monthly period preceding such transfer date; except that for the first transfer date the Collateral Interest Servicing Fee will be equal to \$ .

The remainder of the servicing fee will be paid by the holder of the Seller Interest or other series (as provided in the related series supplements) or, to the extent of any insufficiency of Servicer Interchange as described above, not be paid. In no event shall the trust, the trustee, the certificateholders or the Collateral Interest holder be liable for the share of the servicing fee to be paid out of Servicer Interchange. The Class A Servicing Fee and the Class B Servicing Fee will be payable to the servicer solely to the extent amounts are available for distribution in respect thereof as described under "--Application of Collections--Payment of Interest, Fees and Other Items" in this prospectus supplement.

The servicer will pay from its servicing compensation certain expenses incurred in connection with servicing the receivables including, without limitation, payment of the fees and disbursements of the trustee and

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independent certified public accountants and other fees which are not expressly stated in the master agreement to be payable by the trust, the certificateholders or the Collateral Interest holder other than federal, state and local income and franchise taxes, if any, of the trust.

#### Amendments

In addition to being subject to amendment as described in "Description of the Certificates--Amendments" in the accompanying prospectus, the Series 2001-A supplement may be amended by the seller without the consent of the servicer, the trustee or any certificateholder if the seller provides the trustee with (a) an opinion of counsel to the effect that such amendment or modification would reduce the risk that the trust would be treated as taxable as a publicly traded partnership pursuant to Section 7704 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and (b) a certificate that such amendment or modification would not materially and adversely affect any certificateholder, except that no such amendment shall be deemed effective without the trustee's consent, if the trustee's rights, duties and obligations under the Series 2001-A supplement are thereby modified. Promptly after the effectiveness of any such amendment, the seller shall deliver a copy of such amendment to each of the servicer, the trustee and each rating agency described in the Series 2001-A supplement.

#### ERISA Considerations

##### General

Subject to the consideration described below and in the prospectus, the Class A certificates may be purchased by, on behalf of, or with "plan assets" of any employee benefit or other plan that is subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Any plan fiduciary that proposes to cause a plan to acquire any of the Class A certificates should consult with its counsel with respect to the potential consequences under ERISA and the Internal Revenue Code of the plan's acquisition and ownership of such Class A certificates. See "ERISA Considerations" in the accompanying prospectus.

The Class B certificates may not be acquired or held by any plan other than an insurance company investing assets of its general account. By its acceptance of a Class B certificate, each Class B certificateholder will be deemed to have represented and warranted that either (i) it is not and will not be a plan or (ii) it is an insurance company, it acquired and will hold the Class B certificates solely with assets of its general account, and such acquisition

and holding satisfies the conditions applicable under Sections I and III of Department of Labor Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption 95-60.

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The Department of Labor has issued an individual exemption, Prohibited Transaction Exemption 98-13 (Exemption Application No. D-10304), 63 Fed. Reg. 17,020 (April 7, 1998), to MBNA relating to (1) the initial purchase, the holding and the subsequent resale by plans of senior certificates representing an undivided interest in a credit card trust with respect to which MBNA is the sponsor; and (2) the servicing, operation and management of such trust, provided that the general conditions and certain other conditions set forth in the exemption are satisfied. The exemption will apply to the acquisition, holding and resale of the Class A certificates by, on behalf of, or with "plan assets" of a plan, provided that certain conditions, including the conditions described in "ERISA Considerations" in the accompanying prospectus, are met.

The seller believes that the MBNA exemption will apply to the acquisition and holding of the Class A certificates by plans and that all conditions of the exemption, other than those within the control of the investors, will be met.

Any plan fiduciary considering whether to purchase any Class A certificates on behalf of, or with "plan assets" of, a plan should consult with its counsel regarding the applicability of the fiduciary responsibility and

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prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code to such investment. Among other things, before purchasing any Class A certificates, a plan fiduciary should make its own determination as to the availability of the relief provided in the MBNA exemption and also consider the availability of any other prohibited transaction exemptions.

#### Underwriting

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the underwriting agreement as supplemented by a terms agreement relating to the Class A certificates between the seller and the underwriters named below, the seller has agreed to sell to the underwriters, and each of the underwriters has severally agreed to purchase, the principal amount of the Class A certificates set forth opposite its name:

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Class A Underwriters -----	Principal Amount of Class A Certificates -----
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Deutsche Banc Alex. Brown Inc.....	\$ 177,083,334
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated.....	177,083,334
Chase Securities Inc.....	177,083,333
Credit Suisse First Boston Corporation.....	177,083,333
Lehman Brothers Inc.....	177,083,333
Salomon Smith Barney Inc.....	177,083,333
Total.....	----- \$1,062,500,000 =====

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In the underwriting agreement, the underwriters have agreed, subject to the terms and conditions set forth therein, to purchase all of the Class A certificates offered hereby if any of the Class A certificates are purchased. Some of the underwriters may sell certificates to trusts or other investment vehicles with respect to which an underwriter or its affiliates acts as depositor or provides other services in the ordinary course of business.

The underwriters propose initially to offer the Class A certificates to the public at % of their principal amount and to certain dealers at such price less concessions not in excess of % of the principal amount of the Class A certificates. The underwriters may allow, and such dealers may reallow, concessions not in excess of % of the principal amount of the Class A certificates to certain brokers and dealers. After the initial public offering, the public offering price and other selling terms may be changed by the underwriters.

The seller and one or more affiliates of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated have entered into a Class B purchase agreement. Pursuant to the Class B purchase agreement, the seller has agreed to sell to one or more Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated affiliates the total principal amount of the Class B certificates.

The purchasers under the Class B purchase agreement have agreed to purchase the Class B certificates from the seller at % of their principal amount. The

seller has agreed to pay a placement fee of % of the principal amount of the Class B certificates to Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated for acting as placement agent.

The seller will indemnify the placement agent against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or contribute to payments the placement agent may be required to make in respect thereof.

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We will receive proceeds of approximately \$ from the sale of the certificates (representing % of the principal amount of each Class A certificate and % of the principal amount of each Class B certificate) after paying the sum of the underwriting discount plus the placement fee, which equals \$ (representing % of the principal amount of each Class A certificate and % of the principal amount of each Class B certificate). Additional offering expenses are estimated to be \$800,000.

Each underwriter has represented and agreed that:

(a) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the Financial Services Act 1986 with respect to anything done by it in relation to the certificates in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom;

(b) it has only issued or passed on and will only issue or pass on in the United Kingdom any document received by it in connection with the issue or sale of the certificates to a person who is of a kind described in Article 11(3) of the Financial Services Act 1986 (Investment Advertisements) (Exemptions) Order 1996 or is a person to whom such document may otherwise lawfully be issued or passed on;

(c) if it is an authorized person under Chapter III of part I of the Financial Services Act 1986, it has only promoted and will only promote (as that term is defined in Regulation 1.02(2) of the Financial Services (Promotion of Unregulated Schemes) Regulations 1991) to any person in the United Kingdom the scheme described in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus if that person is of a kind described either in Section 76(2) of the Financial Services Act 1986 or in Regulation 1.04 of the Financial Services (Promotion of Unregulated Schemes) Regulations 1991; and

(d) it is a person of a kind described in Article 11(3) of the Financial Services Act 1986 (Investment Advertisements) (Exemptions) Order 1996.

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

The underwriters may engage in over-allotment transactions, stabilizing transactions, syndicate covering transactions and penalty bids with respect to the certificates in accordance with Regulation M under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Over-allotment transactions involve syndicate sales in excess of the offering size, which creates a syndicate short position. Stabilizing transactions permit bids to purchase the certificates so long as the stabilizing bids do not exceed a specified maximum. Syndicate covering transactions involve purchases of the certificates in the open market after the distribution has been completed in order to cover syndicate short positions. Penalty bids permit the underwriters to reclaim a selling concession from a syndicate member when the certificates originally sold by such syndicate member are purchased in a syndicate covering transaction. Such over-allotment transactions, stabilizing transactions, syndicate covering transactions and penalty bids may cause the prices of the certificates to be higher than they would otherwise be in the absence of such transactions. Neither the seller nor the underwriters represent that the underwriters will engage in any such transactions or that such transactions, once commenced, will not be discontinued without notice at any time.

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1. Series 1994-C

<TABLE>  
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 Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$870,000,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.25% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$45,000,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.45% per annum  
 Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$72,500,000\*  
 Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....October 2001 Distribution Date  
 Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....November 2001 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$85,000,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B Certificates  
 Series 1994-C Termination Date.....March 2004 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....October 26, 1994  
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2. Series 1994-E

<TABLE>  
 <S><C>  
 Initial Investor Interest.....\$500,000,000  
 Current Investor Interest as of December 31, 2000.....\$450,000,000  
 Maximum Investor Interest.....\$450,000,000  
 Certificate Rate.....Commercial Paper Index  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Cash Collateral Amount.....\$20,000,000  
 Series Issuance Date.....December 15, 1994  
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3. Series 1995-A

<TABLE>  
 <S><C>  
 Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$500,250,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.27% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$25,875,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.45% per annum  
 Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$41,687,500\*  
 Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....August 2004 Distribution Date  
 Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....September 2004 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$48,875,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B Certificates  
 Series 1995-A Termination Date.....January 2007 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....March 22, 1995  
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4. Series 1995-C

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 Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$500,250,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....6.45% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$25,875,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.42% per annum  
 Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$41,687,500\*  
 Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....June 2005 Distribution Date  
 Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....July 2005 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$48,875,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B Certificates  
 Series 1995-C Termination Date.....February 2008 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....June 29, 1995  
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5. Series 1995-E

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 Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$435,000,000

Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.22% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$22,500,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.32% per annum  
Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$36,250,000\*  
Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....August 2002 Distribution Date  
Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....September 2002 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$42,500,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
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Series 1995-E Termination Date.....January 2005 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....August 2, 1995  
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6.Series 1995-G

<TABLE>  
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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$435,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.21% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$22,500,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.33% per annum  
Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$36,250,000\*  
Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....October 2002 Distribution Date  
Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....November 2002 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$42,500,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1995-G Termination Date.....March 2005 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....September 27, 1995  
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7.Series 1995-J

<TABLE>  
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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$435,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.23% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$22,500,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.35% per annum  
Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$36,250,000\*  
Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....November 2002 Distribution Date  
Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....December 2002 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$42,500,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
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Series 1995-J Termination Date.....April 2005 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....November 21, 1995  
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8.Series 1996-A

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$609,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.21% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$31,500,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.34% per annum  
Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$50,750,000\*  
Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....February 2003 Distribution Date  
Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....March 2003 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$59,500,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
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Series 1996-A Termination Date.....July 2005 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....February 28, 1996  
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9.Series 1996-B

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$435,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.26% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$22,500,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.37% per annum  
Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$36,250,000\*  
Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....March 2006 Distribution Date  
Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....April 2006 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum

Initial Collateral Interest.....\$42,500,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
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 Series 1996-B Termination Date.....August 2008 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....March 26, 1996  
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10.Series 1996-C

<TABLE>  
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 Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$435,000,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.14% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$22,500,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.28% per annum  
 Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$36,250,000\*  
 Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....March 2001 Distribution Date  
 Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....April 2001 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$42,500,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
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 Series 1996-C Termination Date.....August 2003 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....March 27, 1996  
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11.Series 1996-D

<TABLE>  
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 Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$850,000,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.15% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$75,000,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.29% per annum  
 Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$70,833,333.33\*  
 Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....April 2001 Distribution Date  
 Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....May 2001 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$75,000,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
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 Series 1996-D Termination Date.....September 2003 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....May 1, 1996  
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12.Series 1996-E

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 Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.17% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.31% per annum  
 Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$53,125,000\*  
 Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....May 2003 Distribution Date  
 Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....June 2003 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
 Certificates  
 Series 1996-E Termination Date.....October 2005 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....May 21, 1996  
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13.Series 1996-F

<TABLE>  
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 Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$705,000,000  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$45,000,000  
 Current Investor Interest as of December 31, 2000 .....\$744,681,000  
 Maximum Investor Interest.....\$1,000,000,000  
 Certificate Rate.....Commercial Paper Index  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Series Issuance Date.....June 25, 1996  
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14.Series 1996-G

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....	\$425,000,000
Class A Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.18% per annum
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....	\$37,500,000
Class B Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.35% per annum
Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....	\$35,416,666.67*
Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....	July 2006 Distribution Date
Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....	August 2006 Distribution Date
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....	2.0% per annum
Initial Collateral Interest.....	\$37,500,000
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....	Subordination of Class B Certificates
Series 1996-G Termination Date.....	December 2008 Distribution Date
Series Issuance Date.....	July 17, 1996

15.Series 1996-H

Initial Class A Investor Interest.....	\$1,020,000,000
Class A Certificate Rate.....	Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.10% per annum
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....	\$90,000,000
Class B Certificate Rate.....	Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.27% per annum
Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....	\$85,000,000*
Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....	August 2001 Distribution Date
Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....	September 2001 Distribution Date
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....	2.0% per annum
Initial Collateral Interest.....	\$90,000,000
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....	Subordination of Class B Certificates
Series 1996-H Termination Date.....	January 2004 Distribution Date
Series Issuance Date.....	August 14, 1996

16.Series 1996-I

Initial Class A Deutsche Mark ("DM") Investor Interest.....	DM 1,000,000,000
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....	\$666,444,518.49
Class A Certificate Rate.....	Three-Month DM LIBOR plus 0.09% per annum
Class A Floating Dollar Rate.....	Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.115% per annum
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....	\$58,804,000
Class B Certificate Rate.....	Not to Exceed Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.50% per annum
Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....	\$55,537,043.21*
Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....	September 19, 2001
Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....	October 2001 Distribution Date
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....	2.0% per annum
Initial Collateral Interest.....	\$58,804,000
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....	Subordination of Class B Certificates
Series 1996-I Termination Date.....	February 18, 2004
Series Issuance Date.....	September 25, 1996

17.Series 1996-J

Initial Class A Investor Interest.....	\$850,000,000
Class A Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.15% per annum
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....	\$75,000,000
Class B Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.36% per annum
Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....	\$70,833,333.33*
Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....	September 2003 Distribution Date
Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....	October 2003 Distribution Date
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....	2.0% per annum
Initial Collateral Interest.....	\$75,000,000
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....	Subordination of Class B Certificates
Series 1996-J Termination Date.....	February 2006 Distribution Date
Series Issuance Date.....	September 19, 1996

18.Series 1996-K

Initial Class A Investor Interest.....	\$850,000,000
Class A Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.13% per annum
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....	\$75,000,000
Class B Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.35% per annum

Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$70,833,333.34\*  
Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....October 2003 Distribution Date  
Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....November 2003 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$75,000,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
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Series 1996-K Termination Date.....March 2006 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....October 24, 1996  
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19.Series 1996-M

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$425,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.13% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$37,500,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.35% per annum  
Class A Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$35,416,666.67\*  
Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....November 2006 Distribution Date  
Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....December 2006 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$37,500,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
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Series 1996-M Termination Date.....April 2009 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....November 26, 1996  
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20.Series 1997-B

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$850,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.16% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$75,000,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.35% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$83,333,333.34\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....March 2012 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Class C Investor Interest.....\$75,000,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1997-B Termination Date.....August 2014 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....February 27, 1997  
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21.Series 1997-C

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.11% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.30% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$57,812,500\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....March 2004 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1997-C Termination Date.....August 2006 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....March 26, 1997  
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22.Series 1997-D

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$387,948,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.05% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$34,231,000  
Class B Certificate Rate..Not to Exceed Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.50% per  
annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$38,034,166.67\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....May 2007 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Class C Investor Interest.....\$34,231,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1997-D Termination Date.....October 2009 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....May 22, 1997

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23.Series 1997-E

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.08% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.28% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$57,812,500\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....April 2002 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1997-E Termination Date.....September 2004 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....May 8, 1997

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24.Series 1997-F

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$600,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....6.60% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$53,000,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.29% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$54,416,666.67\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....June 2002 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$53,000,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1997-F Termination Date.....November 2004 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....June 18, 1997

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25.Series 1997-G

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$460,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.15% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$40,600,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.36% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$41,716,666.67\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....June 2004 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$40,600,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1997-G Termination Date.....November 2006 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....June 18, 1997

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26.Series 1997-H

<TABLE>

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$507,357,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.07% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$44,770,000  
Class B Certificate Rate..Not to Exceed Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.50% per  
annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$49,741,416.67\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....September 2007 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Class C Investor Interest.....\$44,770,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1997-H Termination Date.....February 2010 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....August 6, 1997

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27.Series 1997-I

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....6.55% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.31% per annum

Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$57,812,500\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....August 2004 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1997-I Termination Date.....January 2007 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....August 26, 1997  
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28.Series 1997-J

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.12% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.30% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$57,812,500\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....September 2004 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1997-J Termination Date.....February 2007 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....September 10, 1997  
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29.Series 1997-K

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.12% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.32% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$57,812,500\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....November 2005 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1997-K Termination Date.....April 2008 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....October 22, 1997  
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30.Series 1997-L

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$511,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR minus 0.01% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$45,100,000  
Class B Certificate Rate..Not to Exceed Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.50% per  
annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$46,341,666.67\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....November 2002 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$45,100,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1997-L Termination Date.....April 2005 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....November 13, 1997  
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31.Series 1997-M

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.11% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.27% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$57,812,500\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....October 2002 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1997-M Termination Date.....March 2005 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....November 6, 1997  
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## 32.Series 1997-0

<TABLE>	
<S><C>	
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....	\$425,000,000
Class A Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.17% per annum
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....	\$37,500,000
Class B Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.35% per annum
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....	\$38,541,666.67*
Scheduled Payment Date.....	December 2007 Distribution Date
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....	2.0% per annum
Initial Collateral Interest.....	\$37,500,000
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....	Subordination of Class B Certificates
Series 1997-0 Termination Date.....	May 2010 Distribution Date
Series Issuance Date.....	December 23, 1997

## 33.Series 1998-A

<TABLE>	
<S><C>	
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....	\$637,500,000
Class A Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.11% per annum
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....	\$56,250,000
Class B Certificate Rate.....	Not to Exceed One-Month LIBOR plus 0.50% per annum
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....	\$57,812,500*
Scheduled Payment Date.....	March 2003 Distribution Date
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....	2.0% per annum
Initial Collateral Interest.....	\$56,250,000
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....	Subordination of Class B Certificates
Series 1998-A Termination Date.....	August 2005 Distribution Date
Series Issuance Date.....	March 18, 1998

## 34.Series 1998-B

<TABLE>	
<S><C>	
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....	\$550,000,000
Class A Certificate Rate.....	Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.09% per annum
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....	\$48,530,000
Class B Certificate Rate.....	Not to Exceed Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.50% per annum
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....	\$49,877,500*
Scheduled Payment Date.....	April 2008 Distribution Date
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....	2.0% per annum
Initial Collateral Interest.....	\$48,530,000
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....	Subordination of Class B Certificates
Series 1998-B Termination Date.....	September 2010 Distribution Date
Series Issuance Date.....	April 14, 1998

## 35.Series 1998-C

<TABLE>	
<S><C>	
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....	\$637,500,000
Class A Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.08% per annum
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....	\$56,250,000
Class B Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.25% per annum
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....	\$62,500,000*
Scheduled Payment Date.....	June 2003 Distribution Date
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....	2.0% per annum
Initial Collateral Interest.....	\$56,250,000
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....	Subordination of Class B Certificates
Series 1998-C Termination Date.....	November 2005 Distribution Date
Series Issuance Date.....	June 24, 1998

## 36.Series 1998-D

<TABLE>	
<S><C>	
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....	\$475,000,000
Class A Certificate Rate.....	5.80% per annum
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....	\$42,000,000
Class B Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.25% per annum



Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$46,583,333.33\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....July 2003 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$42,000,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1998-D Termination Date.....December 2005 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....July 30, 1998  
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37.Series 1998-E

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$750,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.145% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$66,200,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.33% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$73,533,333.33\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....April 2008 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$66,200,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1998-E Termination Date.....September 2010 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....August 11, 1998  
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38.Series 1998-F

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$425,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.10% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$37,500,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.28% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$41,666,666.67\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....September 2005 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$37,500,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1998-F Termination Date.....February 2008 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....August 26, 1998  
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39.Series 1998-G

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.13% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.40% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$57,812,500\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....September 2006 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1998-G Termination Date.....February 2009 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....September 10, 1998  
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40.Series 1998-H

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$470,000,000  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$30,000,000  
Current Investor Interest as of December 31, 2000.....\$500,000,000  
Maximum Investor Interest.....\$500,000,000  
Certificate Rate.....Commercial Paper Index  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Series Issuance Date.....September 29, 1998  
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41.Series 1998-I

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-month LIBOR plus 0.26% per annum

Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate.....One-month LIBOR plus 0.51% per annum  
 Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$57,812,500\*  
 Scheduled Payment Date.....October 2001 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
 Certificates  
 Series 1998-I Termination Date.....October 2003 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....October 22, 1998

42.Series 1998-J

Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$660,000,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....5.25% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$45,000,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate.....5.65% per annum  
 Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$58,750,000\*  
 Scheduled Payment Date.....September 2003 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$45,000,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
 Certificates  
 Series 1998-J Termination Date.....February 2006 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....October 29, 1998

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43.Series 1998-K

<TABLE>

<S><C>

Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.24% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.49% per annum  
 Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$57,812,500\*  
 Scheduled Payment Date.....August 2002 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
 Certificates  
 Series 1998-K Termination Date.....January 2005 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....November 24, 1998

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44.Series 1998-L

<TABLE>

<S><C>

Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$231,250,000  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$18,750,000  
 Current Investor Interest as of December 31, 2000.....\$250,000,000  
 Maximum Investor Interest.....\$250,000,000  
 Certificate Rate.....Commercial Paper Index  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Series Issuance Date.....December 22, 1998

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45.Series 1999-A

<TABLE>

<S><C>

Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$425,000,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.14% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$37,500,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.37% per annum  
 Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$41,666,666,67\*  
 Scheduled Payment Date.....February 2004 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$37,500,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
 Certificates  
 Series 1999-A Termination Date.....July 2006 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....March 25, 1999

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46.Series 1999-B

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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....5.90% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000

Class B Certificate Rate.....6.20% per annum  
 Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$62,500,000\*  
 Scheduled Payment Date.....March 2009 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
 Certificates  
 Series 1999-B Termination Date.....August 2011 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....March 26, 1999  
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47.Series 1999-C

<TABLE>  
 <S><C>  
 Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$799,500,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.19% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$70,550,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate..Not to Exceed Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.50% per  
 annum  
 Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$78,383,333.33\*  
 Scheduled Payment Date.....May 2004 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$70,550,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
 Certificates  
 Series 1999-C Termination Date.....October 2006 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....May 18, 1999  
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48.Series 1999-D

<TABLE>  
 <S><C>  
 Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$425,000,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.19% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$37,500,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate.....6.50% per annum  
 Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$41,666,666.67\*  
 Scheduled Payment Date.....June 2006 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$37,500,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
 Certificates  
 Series 1999-D Termination Date.....November 2008 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....June 3, 1999  
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49.Series 1999-E

<TABLE>  
 <S><C>  
 Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$850,000,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.125% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$75,000,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.32% per annum  
 Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$83,333,333.33\*  
 Scheduled Payment Date.....June 2002 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$75,000,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
 Certificates  
 Series 1999-E Termination Date.....June 2004 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....July 7, 1999  
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50.Series 1999-F

<TABLE>  
 <S><C>  
 Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$509,400,000  
 Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR minus 0.125% per annum  
 Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$44,950,000  
 Class B Certificate Rate..Not to Exceed Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.50% per  
 annum  
 Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$49,941,666.67\*  
 Scheduled Payment Date.....August 2004 Distribution Date  
 Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
 Initial Collateral Interest.....\$44,950,000  
 Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
 Certificates  
 Series 1999-F Termination Date.....January 2007 Distribution Date  
 Series Issuance Date.....August 3, 1999

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51.Series 1999-G

<TABLE>

<S><C>

Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....6.35% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....6.60% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$62,500,000\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....July 2004 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1999-G Termination Date.....December 2006 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....July 29, 1999

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52.Series 1999-H

<TABLE>

<S><C>

Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$850,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.21% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$75,000,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.48% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$83,333,333.33\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....April 2004 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$75,000,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1999-H Termination Date.....September 2006 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....August 18, 1999

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53.Series 1999-I

<TABLE>

<S><C>

Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....6.40% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....6.70% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$62,500,000\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....August 2002 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1999-I Termination Date.....January 2005 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....September 8, 1999

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54.Series 1999-J

<TABLE>

<S><C>

Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$850,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....7.00% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$75,000,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....7.40% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$83,333,333.33\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....September 2009 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$75,000,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1999-J Termination Date.....February 2012 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....September 23, 1999

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55.Series 1999-K

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Maximum Class A Adjusted Investor Interest (subject to in-  
crease).....\$2,300,000,000  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$200,000,000  
Scheduled Payment Date.....October 2002 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....2.0% per annum

Series 1999-K Termination Date.....March 2005 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....October 27, 1999  
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56.Series 1999-L

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.25% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.53% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$62,500,000\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....October 2006 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1999-L Termination Date.....March 2009 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....November 5, 1999  
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57.Series 1999-M

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$425,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....6.60% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$37,500,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....6.80% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$41,666,666.67\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....November 2004 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$37,500,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 1999-M Termination Date.....April 2007 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....December 1, 1999  
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58.Series 2000-A

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....7.35% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....7.55% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$62,500,000\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....February 2005 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 2000-A Termination Date.....July 2007 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....March 8, 2000  
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59.Series 2000-B

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$637,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.115% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.30% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$62,500,000\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....February 2003 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 2000-B Termination Date.....July 2005 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....March 28, 2000  
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60.Series 2000-C

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$1,275,000,000

Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.16% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$112,500,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.375% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$125,000,000\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....February 2005 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$112,500,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 2000-C Termination Date.....July 2007 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....April 13, 2000  
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61.Series 2000-D

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$722,500,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.20% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$63,750,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.43% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$70,833,333.33\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....April 2007 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$63,750,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 2000-D Termination Date.....September 2009 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....May 11, 2000  
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62.Series 2000-E

<TABLE>  
<S><C>  
Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$500,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....7.80% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$45,000,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....8.15% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$49,166,666.67\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....May 2010 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$45,000,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
Certificates  
Series 2000-E Termination Date.....October 2012 Distribution Date  
Series Issuance Date.....June 1, 2000  
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63.Series 2000-F

<TABLE>  
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Initial Class A Investor Interest.....\$750,000,000  
Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.125% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$66,200,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.35% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$73,533,333.33\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....June 2005 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$66,200,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
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Class A Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.13% per annum  
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Class B Certificate Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.40% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$62,500,000\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....July 2005 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$56,250,000  
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Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.60% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$58,333,333.33\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....August 2010 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$52,500,000  
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Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$75,000,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....7.15% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$83,333,333.33\*  
Scheduled Payment Date.....August 2005 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$75,000,000  
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....Subordination of Class B  
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67.Series 2000-J

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Class A Floating Dollar Rate.....Three-Month LIBOR plus 0.21% per annum  
Initial Class B Investor Interest.....\$50,250,000  
Class B Certificate Rate.....One-Month LIBOR plus 0.44% per annum  
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....\$55,790,837\*  
Class A Scheduled Payment Date.....October 17, 2007  
Class B Scheduled Payment Date.....October 2007 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee.....2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest.....\$50,250,000  
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Controlled Accumulation Amount ..... \$62,500,000\*  
Scheduled Payment Date ..... October 2005 Distribution Date  
Annual Servicing Fee ..... 2.0% per annum  
Initial Collateral Interest ..... \$56,250,000  
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Class A Certificate Rate.....	6.50% per annum
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Class B Certificate Rate.....	One-Month LIBOR plus 0.50% per annum
Controlled Accumulation Amount.....	\$38,541,666.67*
Scheduled Payment Date.....	November 2007 Distribution Date
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....	2.0% per annum
Initial Collateral Interest.....	\$37,500,000
Other Enhancement for the Class A Certificates.....	Subordination of Class B Certificates
Series 2000-L Termination Date.....	April 2010 Distribution Date
Series Issuance Date.....	December 13, 2000

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70.Series 2000-Z

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Initial Class B Investor Interest.....	\$0
Current Investor Interest as of December 31, 2000.....	\$0
Maximum Investor Interest.....	\$837,988,827
Certificate Rate.....	Commercial Paper Index
Annual Servicing Fee Percentage.....	2.0% per annum
Series Issuance Date.....	March 30, 2000

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\* Subject to change if the commencement of the accumulation period or controlled accumulation period, as applicable, is delayed.

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Prospectus

MBNA Master Credit Card Trust II  
Issuer

MBNA America Bank, National Association  
Seller and Servicer

Asset Backed Certificates

The trust--

Consider carefully the risk factors beginning on page 10 in this prospectus.

- . may periodically issue asset backed certificates in one or more series with one or more classes; and
- . will own--

A certificate is not a deposit and neither the certificates nor the underlying accounts or receivables are insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency.

- . receivables in a portfolio of consumer revolving credit card accounts;
- . payments due on those receivables; and
- . other property described in this prospectus and in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

The certificates--

- . will represent interests in the trust and will be paid only from the trust assets;
- . offered with this prospectus will be rated in one of the four highest rating categories by at least one nationally recognized rating organization;

The certificates will represent interests in the trust only and will not represent interests in or obligations of MBNA or any MBNA affiliate.

- . may have one or more forms of enhancement; and
- . will be issued as part of a designated series which may include one or more classes of certificates and enhancement.

The certificateholders--

- . will receive interest and principal payments from a varying percentage of credit card account collections.

This prospectus may be used to offer and sell any series of certificates only if accompanied by



the prospectus supplement for that series.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved these certificates or determined that this prospectus is accurate or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

January 29, 2001

Important Notice about Information Presented in this Prospectus and the Accompanying Prospectus Supplement

We provide information to you about the certificates in two separate documents that progressively provide more detail: (a) this prospectus, which provides general information, some of which may not apply to a particular series of certificates, including your series, and (b) the accompanying prospectus supplement, which will describe the specific terms of your series of certificates, including:

- . the timing of interest and principal payments;
- . financial and other information about the receivables;
- . information about enhancement for each class;
- . the ratings for each class; and
- . the method for selling the certificates.

If the terms of a particular series of certificates vary between this prospectus and the prospectus supplement, you should rely on the information in the prospectus supplement.

You should rely only on the information provided in this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement including the information incorporated by reference. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. We are not offering the certificates in any state where the offer is not permitted. We do not claim the accuracy of the information in this prospectus or the accompanying prospectus supplement as of any date other than the dates stated on their respective covers.

We include cross-references in this prospectus and in the accompanying prospectus supplement to captions in these materials where you can find further related discussions. The following Table of Contents and the Table of Contents included in the accompanying prospectus supplement provide the pages on which these captions are located.

Parts of this prospectus use defined terms. You can find a listing of the pages where definitions can be found under the caption "Index of Terms for Prospectus" on page 59 in this prospectus.

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#### Prospectus Summary

. This summary highlights selected information from this document and does not contain all of the information that you need to consider in making your investment decision. To understand all of the terms of an offering of the certificates, read carefully this entire document and the accompanying prospectus supplement.

. This summary provides an overview of certain calculations, cash flows and other information to aid your understanding and is qualified by the full description of these calculations, cash flows and other information in this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement.

#### The Trust and the Trustee

MBNA Master Credit Card Trust II was formed on August 4, 1994 under a master agreement between MBNA America Bank, National Association, as seller and as servicer of the receivables, and The Bank of New York, as trustee. The trust is a master trust under which one or more series will be issued through a series supplement to the master agreement. Any class or series may not be offered by this prospectus; for example, they may be offered in a private placement.

#### Trust Assets

MBNA has transferred to the trust the receivables from certain MasterCard(R) and VISA(R)\* revolving credit card accounts. All new receivables generated in the accounts will be transferred automatically to the trust. The total amount of receivables in the trust will fluctuate daily as new receivables are generated and payments are received on existing accounts. Additional similar assets may be transferred to the trust. See "The Receivables" and "Description of the Certificates--Addition of Trust Assets" in this prospectus.

The trust assets also include payments due on the receivables and other proceeds of the receivables and of related credit insurance policies. However, the trust assets will exclude payments on receivables written off as uncollectible.

Additional trust assets may include:

- . rights to certain fees MBNA receives through VISA and MasterCard called interchange;
- . monies deposited in certain of the trust's bank accounts and investments of those monies; and
- . enhancements, including any credit enhancement, guaranteed rate agreement, maturity liquidity facility, interest rate cap agreement, interest rate swap agreement, currency swap agreement, or other similar arrangement.

MBNA may remove, subject to certain limitations and conditions, receivables that it transferred to the trust. See "Description of the Certificates--Removal of Accounts" in this prospectus.

Information about the Receivables

The receivables arise in accounts selected from MBNA's credit card portfolio based on criteria established in the master agreement and applied on the date of their selection.

The receivables consist of both principal receivables and finance charge receivables.

Principal receivables are, generally, (a) amounts charged by cardholders for goods and services and (b) cash advances.

Finance charge receivables are the related finance charges and credit card fees.

Interchange fees collected through MasterCard and VISA and annual membership fees collected from cardholders generally are treated as collections of

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\* MasterCard(R) and VISA(R) are federally registered servicemarks of MasterCard International Inc. and Visa U.S.A., Inc., respectively.

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finance charge receivables. See "MBNA's Credit Card Activities--Interchange" and "Description of the Certificates--Transfer of Annual Membership Fees" in this prospectus.

#### Collections by the Servicer

MBNA services the receivables under the master agreement. In limited cases, MBNA may resign or be removed and either the trustee or a third party may be appointed as the new servicer. MBNA, or any new servicer, is called the servicer. The servicer receives a servicing fee from the trust for each series. See "MBNA and MBNA Corporation" in this prospectus.

The servicer receives collections on the receivables, deposits those collections in a collection account and keeps track of those collections for finance charge receivables and principal receivables. The servicer then allocates those collections as summarized below.

#### Allocation of Trust Assets

The trust assets will be allocated to the holders of certificates and other interests of each series and to the holder of the seller interest. The remaining interest in the assets of the trust not represented by the certificates and other interests issued by the trust is called the seller interest, and, on any date, is equal to the aggregate amount of principal receivables in the trust not allocated to each series. If there is more than one class in a series, there may be a further allocation of trust assets among each class.

The servicer will allocate (a) collections of finance charge receivables and principal receivables and (b) receivables in accounts written off as uncollectible, to each series based on a varying percentage, called the investor percentage, as described in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

The aggregate amount of principal receivables allocated to a series establishes that series's investor interest.

Certificateholders are only entitled to amounts allocated to their series equal to the interest and principal payments on their certificates. See "Description of the Certificates--General" and "--Investor Percentage and Seller Percentage" in this prospectus.

#### Interest Payments on the Certificates

Each certificate of a series will represent the right to receive payments of interest as described in the accompanying prospectus supplement. If a series of certificates consists of one or more classes, each class may differ in, among other things, priority of payments, payment dates, interest rates, method for computing interest, and rights to enhancement.

Each class of certificates may have fixed, floating or any other type of interest rate. Generally, interest will be paid monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or on other scheduled dates over the life of the certificates, each called a "distribution date."

If interest is paid less frequently than monthly, collections of finance charge receivables may be deposited monthly in one or more trust accounts and invested under guidelines established by the rating agencies until paid to certificateholders. Interest payments for any series of certificates will be funded from collections of finance charge receivables allocated to the series, any applicable enhancement and, if and to the extent specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, monies earned while collections were invested pending payment to certificateholders. See "Description of the Certificates--Application of Collections," "--Shared Excess Finance Charge Collections" and "Credit Enhancement" in this prospectus.

## Principal Payments on the Certificates

Each certificate of a series will represent the right to receive payments of principal as described in the accompanying prospectus supplement. If a series of certificates consists of one or more classes, each class may differ in, among other things, the amounts allocated for principal payments, priority of payments, payment dates, maturity, and rights to enhancement.

### Revolving Period

Each class of certificates will begin with a period called a "revolving period" during which the trust

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will not pay, or accumulate, principal for the related certificateholders. The trust, subject to certain limitations, will pay available principal to the holder of the seller interest but may pay amounts due to holders of certificates of other series. The revolving period for a class starts on the date that class is issued and ends at the start of an amortization period or an accumulation period.

Following the revolving period, each class of certificates will have one or a combination of the following periods in which:

- . principal is accumulated in specified amounts and paid on a scheduled date (a "controlled accumulation period");
- . principal is paid in fixed amounts at scheduled intervals (a "controlled amortization period");
- . principal is paid in varying amounts at scheduled intervals (a "principal amortization period");
- . principal is accumulated in varying amounts following certain adverse events and paid on a scheduled date (a "rapid accumulation period"); or
- . principal is paid in varying amounts each month following certain adverse events (a "rapid amortization period").

### Controlled Accumulation Period

If a class of certificates has a controlled accumulation period, the trust is expected to pay available principal to those certificateholders on a date specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement called the "scheduled payment date." If the series has more than one class, each class may have a different priority for payment. For a period of time prior to the scheduled payment date, the trust is scheduled to deposit available principal in a trust account in specified amounts plus any specified amounts not previously deposited. If amounts sufficient to pay the investor interest for a class have not been accumulated by the scheduled payment date for that class, a pay out event will occur and the rapid amortization period will begin. The controlled accumulation period for a class starts on a date specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement and ends when any one of the following occurs:

- . the investor interest for the class is paid in full;
- . a rapid amortization period or, if it applies, a rapid accumulation period starts; or
- . the latest date by which principal and interest for the series of certificates can be paid, called the "series termination date."

### Controlled Amortization Period

If a class of certificates has a controlled amortization period, the trust will pay available principal to those certificateholders on each distribution date during the controlled amortization period in a fixed amount plus any amounts not previously paid. If the series has more than one class, each class may have a different priority for payment. The controlled amortization period for a class starts on the date specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement and ends when any one of the following occurs:

- . the investor interest for the class is paid in full;
- . a rapid amortization period starts; or
- . the series termination date.

### Principal Amortization Period

If a class of certificates has a principal amortization period, the trust will pay available principal to those certificateholders on each distribution date during the principal amortization period. If a series has more than one class, each class may have a different priority for payment. The principal

amortization period for a class starts on the date specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement and ends when any one of the following occurs:

- . the investor interest for the class is paid in full;
- . a rapid amortization period starts; or
- . the series termination date.

#### Rapid Accumulation Period

If a class of certificates has a controlled accumulation period, it may also have a rapid accumulation period. During a rapid accumulation period, the trust will periodically deposit available principal in a trust account prior to the scheduled

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payment date. The rapid accumulation period for a class starts as specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement on a day on or after a designated pay out event has occurred, but in no event later than the scheduled payment date, and ends when any one of the following occurs:

- . the investor interest for the class is paid in full;
- . a rapid amortization period starts; or
- . the scheduled payment date.

#### Rapid Amortization Period

If a class of certificates is in a rapid amortization period, the trust will pay available principal to those certificateholders on each distribution date. If the series has more than one class, each class may have a different priority for payment. For a class without a rapid accumulation period, the rapid amortization period starts on the day a pay out event occurs. For a class with a rapid accumulation period, the rapid amortization period starts as specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement on a day on or after a pay out event occurs, but in no event later than the scheduled payment date for that class. The rapid amortization period ends when any of the following occurs:

- . the investor interest for the class is paid in full;
- . the series termination date; or
- . the trust termination date.

#### Pay Out Events

A pay out event for any series of certificates will include certain adverse events described in the accompanying prospectus supplement, including the following:

- . certain events of insolvency or receivership relating to the seller;
- . the seller is unable to transfer receivables to the trust as required under the master agreement; or
- . the trust becomes an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

See "Description of the Certificates--Pay Out Events" in this prospectus.

#### Shared Excess Finance Charge Collections

Any series may be included in a group of series. If specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, to the extent that collections of finance charge receivables allocated to any series are not needed for that series, those collections may be applied to certain shortfalls of another series in the same group. See "Description of the Certificates--Shared Excess Finance Charge Collections," "--Applications of Collections" and "--Defaulted Receivables; Rebates and Fraudulent Charges; Investor Charge-Offs" in this prospectus.

#### Shared Principal Collections

If specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, to the extent that collections of principal receivables and certain other amounts that are allocated to the investor interest for any series are not needed for that series, those collections may be applied to cover principal payments for another series in the same group. Any reallocation for this purpose will not reduce the investor interest for the series to which those collections were initially allocated. See "Description of the Certificates--Shared Principal Collections" in this prospectus.

## Credit Enhancement

Each class of a series may be entitled to credit enhancement. Credit enhancement provides additional payment protection to investors in each class of certificates that has credit enhancement.

Credit enhancement for the certificates of any class may take the form of one or more of the following:

- . subordination
- . collateral interest
- . insurance policy
- . cash collateral guaranty or account
- . letter of credit
- . surety bond
- . spread account
- . reserve account

The type, characteristics and amount of any credit enhancement will be:

- . based on several factors, including the characteristics of the receivables and accounts at the time a series of certificates is issued and

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- . established based on the requirements of each rating agency rating one or more classes of the certificates of that series.

See "Credit Enhancement" and "Certificate Ratings" in this prospectus.

## Optional Repurchase

MBNA has the option to repurchase any series of certificates once the investor interest for the series is reduced to 5% or less of the initial investor interest. See "Description of the Certificates--Final Payment of Principal; Termination" in this prospectus.

## Tax Status

For information concerning the application of the federal income tax laws, including whether the certificates will be characterized as debt for federal income tax purposes, see "Federal Income Tax Consequences" in this prospectus and "Summary of Terms--Tax Status" in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

## Certificate Ratings

Any certificate offered by this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement will be rated in one of the four highest rating categories by at least one nationally recognized rating organization. Any nationally recognized rating organization selected by the seller to rate any series and identified as such in the related series supplement is called a "rating agency."

A rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be revised or withdrawn at any time by the assigning rating agency. Each rating should be evaluated independently of any other rating. See "Certificate Ratings" in this prospectus.

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## Risk Factors

You should consider the following risk factors in deciding whether to purchase the certificates.

It may not be possible to find an investor to purchase your certificates.

The underwriters may assist in resales of the certificates but they are not required to do so. A secondary market for any certificates may not develop. If a secondary market does develop, it might not continue or it might not be sufficiently liquid to allow you to resell any of your certificates.

Recharacterization of the transfer from MBNA to the trust could delay or reduce payments to you.

The seller has documented the transfer of the receivables to the trust as a sale. However, a court could conclude that the seller still owns the receivables subject to a security interest in favor of the trust in the receivables. The seller has taken steps to give the trustee a "first priority perfected security interest" in the receivables in the event a court concludes the seller still owns the

receivables. If a court concludes that the transfer to the trust is only a grant by the seller of a security interest in the receivables, a tax or government lien (or other lien imposed under applicable state or federal law without the consent of the seller) on the seller's property arising before new receivables come into existence may be senior to the trust's interest in the receivables. Also, if the seller became insolvent or the FDIC was appointed conservator or receiver of the seller, the FDIC's administrative expenses might be paid from the receivables before the trust received any payments on the receivables. If these events occur, payments to you could be delayed or reduced. See "Certain Legal Aspects of the Receivables--Transfer of Receivables" and "Description of the Certificates--Representations and Warranties" in this prospectus.

If a conservator or receiver were appointed for the seller, payments to you could be delayed or reduced.

The seller is chartered as a national banking association and is regulated and supervised by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, which is authorized to appoint the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation as conservator or receiver for the seller if certain events occur relating to the seller's financial condition or the propriety of its actions. In addition, the FDIC could appoint itself as conservator or receiver for the seller.

Although the seller will treat its transfer of the receivables to the trust as a sale for accounting purposes, the transfer may constitute the grant of a security interest under general applicable law. Nevertheless, the FDIC has issued regulations surrendering certain rights under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, as amended by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989, to reclaim, recover, or recharacterize a bank's transfer of financial assets such as the receivables if (i) the transfer involved a securitization of the financial assets and meets specified conditions for treatment as a sale under relevant accounting principles, (ii) the bank received adequate consideration for the transfer, (iii) the parties intended that the transfer constitute a sale for accounting purposes, and

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(iv) the financial assets were not transferred fraudulently, in contemplation of the bank's insolvency, or with the intent to hinder, delay, or defraud the bank or its creditors. The master agreement and the transfer of the receivables by the seller to the trust are intended to satisfy all of these conditions.

If a condition required under the FDIC's regulations were found not to have been met, however, the FDIC could reclaim, recover, or recharacterize the seller's transfer of the receivables. FDIC staff positions taken prior to the passage of the 1989 amendment to the FDIA do not suggest that the FDIC would interrupt the timely transfer to the trust of payments collected on the receivables. If the FDIC were to assert a different position, the FDIA would limit the trust's damages in this event to its "actual direct compensatory damages" determined as of the date that the FDIC was appointed as conservator or receiver for the seller. The FDIC, moreover, could delay its decision whether to reclaim, recover, or recharacterize the seller's transfer of the receivables for a reasonable period following its appointment as conservator or receiver for the seller. Therefore, if the FDIC were to reclaim, recover, or recharacterize the seller's transfer of the receivables, payments to certificateholders could be delayed or reduced.

Even if the conditions set forth in the regulations were satisfied and the FDIC did not reclaim, recover, or recharacterize the seller's transfer of the receivables, certificateholders could suffer a loss



on their investment if (i) the master agreement or the seller's transfer of the receivables were found to violate the regulatory requirements of the FDIA, (ii) the trustee were required to comply with the claims process established under the FDIA in order to collect payments on the receivables, (iii) the FDIC were to request a stay of any action by the trust or the trustee to enforce the master agreement or the certificates, or (iv) the FDIC were to repudiate other parts of the master agreement, such as any obligation to collect payments on or otherwise service the receivables.

In addition, regardless of the terms of the master agreement or the instructions of those authorized to direct the trustee's actions, the FDIC may have the power (i) to prevent or require the commencement of a rapid amortization period or rapid accumulation period, (ii) to prevent, limit, or require the early liquidation of the receivables and termination of the trust, or (iii) to require, prohibit, or limit the continued transfer of receivables to the trust. The FDIC, moreover, could prevent the trustee or the certificateholders from appointing a successor servicer under the master agreement. If any of these events were to occur, payments to certificateholders could be delayed or reduced. See "Certain Legal Aspects of the Receivables--Certain Matters Relating to Conservatorship or Receivership" in this prospectus.

The seller may change the terms of the accounts in a way that reduces collections.

The seller transfers the receivables to the trust but continues to own the accounts. As owner of the accounts, the seller retains the right to change various account terms (including finance charges and other fees it charges and the required monthly minimum payment). A pay out event could occur if the seller reduced the finance charges and other fees it charges and a corresponding decrease in the collection of finance charges and fees resulted. In addition, changes in the account terms may alter payment patterns. If

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payment rates decrease significantly at a time when you are scheduled to receive principal, you might receive principal more slowly than planned.

The seller will not reduce the interest rate it charges on the receivables or other fees if that action would result in a pay out event unless the seller is required by law or determines it is necessary to maintain its credit card business, based on its good faith assessment of its business competition.

The seller will not change the terms of the accounts or its servicing practices (including the reduction of the required minimum monthly payment and the calculation of the amount or the timing of finance charges, other fees and charge-offs) unless the seller reasonably believes a pay out event would not occur for any series and takes the same action on its other substantially similar accounts, to the extent permitted by those accounts.

The seller has no restrictions on its ability to change the terms of the accounts except as described above or in the accompanying prospectus supplement. Changes in relevant law, changes in the marketplace or prudent business practices could cause the seller to change account terms.

The effect on certificateholders of certain litigation against the seller is unclear.

In May 1996, Andrew B. Spark filed a lawsuit against MBNA Corporation, MBNA and certain of its officers and its subsidiary, MBNA Marketing Systems, Inc. The case is pending in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware. This suit is a

purported class action. The plaintiff alleges that MBNA's advertising of its cash promotional annual percentage rate program was fraudulent and deceptive. The plaintiff seeks unspecified damages including actual, treble and punitive damages and attorneys' fees for an alleged breach of contract, violation of the Delaware Deceptive Trade Practices Act and the federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act. In February 1998, a class was certified. In September 2000, the court gave preliminary approval to a settlement of this suit. This case should have no effect with respect to the certificateholders' interests. In October 1998, Gerald D. Broder filed a lawsuit against MBNA Corporation and MBNA in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York. This suit is a purported class action. The plaintiff alleges that MBNA's advertising of its cash promotional annual percentage rate program was fraudulent and deceptive. The plaintiff seeks unspecified damages including actual, treble and punitive damages and attorneys' fees for an alleged breach of contract, common law fraud and violation of New York consumer protection statutes. In April 2000, summary judgment was granted to MBNA Corporation on the common law fraud claim and a class was certified by the court. In May 2000, MBNA Corporation filed an appeal from the order certifying a class and denying part of defendants' motion for summary judgment. MBNA Corporation believes that its advertising practices are proper under applicable federal and state law and intends to defend this action vigorously. It is not clear at this point in time what effect, if any, this case will have with respect to the certificateholders' interests. See "Description of the Certificates--Representations and Warranties" in this prospectus.

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Changes to consumer protection laws may impede collection efforts or reduce collections.

Federal and state consumer protection laws regulate the creation and enforcement of consumer loans. Congress and the states could further regulate the credit card and consumer credit industry in ways that make it more difficult for the servicer to collect payments on the receivables or that reduce the finance charges and other fees that the seller can charge on credit card account balances. For example, if the seller were required to reduce its finance charges and other fees, resulting in a corresponding decrease in the accounts' effective yield, this could lead to a pay out event, resulting in the payment of principal sooner than expected. See "Description of the Certificates--Pay Out Events" in this prospectus.

The seller makes representations and warranties relating to the validity and enforceability of the receivables. Subject to certain conditions described under "Description of the Certificates--Representations and Warranties" in this prospectus, the seller must accept reassignment of each receivable that does not comply in all material respects with all requirements of applicable law. However, we do not anticipate that the trustee will make any examination of the receivables or the related records for the purpose of determining the presence or absence of defects, compliance with representations and warranties, or for any other purpose. The only remedy if any representation or warranty is violated, and the violation continues beyond the period of time the seller has to correct the violation, is that the seller must accept reassignment of the receivables affected by the violation (subject to certain conditions described under "Description of the Certificates--Representations and Warranties" in this prospectus). See also "Certain Legal Aspects of the Receivables--Consumer Protection Laws" in this prospectus.

If a cardholder sought protection under federal or state bankruptcy or debtor relief laws, a court could reduce or discharge completely the cardholder's obligations to repay amounts due on its account and,

as a result, the related receivables would be written off as uncollectible. The certificateholders could suffer a loss if no funds are available from credit enhancement or other sources. See "Description of the Certificates--Defaulted Receivables; Rebates and Fraudulent Charges; Investor Charge-Offs" in this prospectus.

Payment pattern of receivables could reduce collections.

The receivables may be paid at any time. We cannot assure the creation of additional receivables in the accounts or that any particular pattern of cardholder payments will occur. The commencement and continuation of a revolving period, a controlled amortization period, a principal amortization period or a controlled accumulation period for a series or class of that series depend upon the continued generation of new receivables to be conveyed to the trust. A significant decline in the amount of receivables generated could result in the occurrence of a pay out event for one or more series and the commencement of the rapid amortization period or, if applicable, the rapid accumulation period for each of those series. If a pay out event occurs, you could receive payment of principal sooner than expected. The seller's ability to compete in the current industry environment will affect its ability to

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generate new receivables and might also affect payment patterns on the receivables. In addition, changes in finance charges can alter the monthly payment rates of cardholders. A significant decrease in monthly payment rates could slow the return or accumulation of principal during an amortization period or accumulation period. See "Maturity Considerations" in this prospectus.

Subordinated classes bear additional risks.

Where one or more classes in a series are subordinated, principal payments on the subordinated class or classes generally will not begin until the senior class or classes are repaid. Additionally, if collections of finance charge receivables allocated to a series are insufficient to cover amounts due for that series's senior certificates, the investor interest for the subordinated certificates might be reduced. This would reduce the amount of the collections of finance charge receivables available to the subordinated certificates in future periods and could cause a possible delay or reduction in principal and interest payments on the subordinated certificates. If receivables had to be sold, the net proceeds of that sale available to pay principal would be paid first to senior certificateholders and any remaining net proceeds would be paid to the subordinated certificateholders.

Allocations of charged-off receivables could reduce your payments.

Each class of certificates will be allocated a portion of the receivables written off as uncollectible. See "Description of Series Provisions--Allocation Percentages" and "MBNA's Credit Card Portfolio--Bank Portfolio--Delinquency and Gross Charge-Off Experience" in the accompanying prospectus supplement. If the written off amounts allocated to any certificates exceed the amounts available to cover them, which could occur if the limited amount of credit enhancement is reduced to zero, those certificateholders may not receive the full amount of principal and interest due to them. See "Description of Series Provisions--Reallocation of Cash Flows," "--Application of Collections" and "--Defaulted Receivables; Investor Charge-Offs" in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

The interest rate on receivables may fluctuate differently than the interest rate on the certificates, resulting in reduced payments to you.

Some accounts may have finance charges set at a variable rate based on a designated index (for example, the prime rate). A series of certificates may bear interest either at a fixed rate or at a floating rate based on a different index. If the rate charged on the accounts declines, collections of finance charge receivables may be reduced without a corresponding reduction in the amounts payable as interest on the certificates and other amounts paid from collections of finance charge receivables. This could result in delayed or reduced principal and interest payment to you.

Issuance of additional series by the trust may affect the timing of payments.

The trust has issued other series of certificates and is expected to issue additional series from time to time. The trust may issue additional series with terms that are different from your series without the prior review or consent of any certificateholders. It is a condition to the issuance of each new series that each rating agency that has rated an outstanding series confirm in writing that the issuance of the new series will not result in a reduction or withdrawal of its rating. However, the terms of a new series could affect the timing and amounts of payments on any other outstanding series.

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#### The Trust

The trust has been formed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware. The trust is governed by the Pooling and Servicing Agreement, dated August 4, 1994, between MBNA, as seller and servicer, and The Bank of New York, as trustee, which has been and may be amended from time to time, and is referred to in this prospectus as the master agreement. The trust will only engage in the following business activities:

- . acquiring and holding trust assets;
- . issuing series of certificates and other interests in the trust;
- . making payments on the certificates and other interests; and
- . engaging in related activities (including, with respect to any series, obtaining any enhancement and entering into an enhancement agreement relating thereto).

As a consequence, the trust is not expected to have any need for additional capital resources other than the assets of the trust.

#### MBNA's Credit Card Activities

##### General

The receivables conveyed or to be conveyed to the trust by MBNA pursuant to the master agreement have been or will be generated from transactions made by holders of selected MasterCard and VISA credit card accounts, including premium accounts and standard accounts, from the portfolio of MasterCard and VISA accounts owned by MBNA called the "bank portfolio." Generally, both premium and standard accounts undergo the same credit analysis, but premium accounts carry higher credit limits and offer a wider variety of services to the cardholders. MBNA currently services the bank portfolio in the manner described in the accompanying prospectus supplement. Certain data processing and administrative functions associated with the servicing of the bank portfolio are performed on behalf of MBNA by MBNA Hallmark Information Services, Inc. See "--Description of MBNA Hallmark" in this prospectus. MBNA Hallmark is a wholly-owned subsidiary of MBNA.

##### Acquisition and Use of Credit Card Accounts

MBNA primarily relies on affinity marketing in the acquisition of new credit card accounts. Affinity marketing involves the solicitation of prospective cardholders from identifiable groups with a common interest or a common cause. Affinity marketing is conducted through two approaches: (1) solicitation of members of organized membership groups with the endorsement of such group's leadership; and (2) direct solicitation of purchased list prospects. This may be supplemented by the purchase of affinity relationships, including related credit card receivables. MBNA also relies on targeted direct response marketing in the acquisition of new accounts.

Credit applications that are approved are reviewed individually by a credit analyst. Credit analysts approve applications and assign credit lines based on a review of the potential customer's financial history and capacity to repay. Credit analysts review credit reports obtained through an independent credit

reporting agency, and use a delinquency probability model to assist them in reaching a credit decision for each applicant. Credit analysts also review and verify other information, such as employment and income, when necessary to make a credit decision. Further levels of review are automatically triggered, depending upon the levels of risk indicated by the delinquency probability model. Credit analysts review applications obtained through pre-approved offers to ensure adherence to credit standards and that the appropriate credit limit is assigned. MBNA's Loan Review Department independently reviews selected applications to ensure quality and consistency. Less than half of all credit applications are approved.

Credit card accounts that have been purchased by MBNA were originally opened using criteria established by institutions other than MBNA and may not have been subject to the same level of credit review as accounts established by MBNA. It is expected that portfolios of credit card accounts purchased by MBNA from other credit card issuers will be added to the trust from time to time. Prior to acquiring a portfolio, MBNA reviews the historical performance and seasoning of the portfolio, and the policies and practices of the selling institution.

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Each cardholder is subject to an agreement with MBNA governing the terms and conditions of the related MasterCard or VISA account. Under each such agreement, MBNA reserves the right, upon advance notice to the cardholder, to add or to change any terms, conditions, services or features of its MasterCard or VISA accounts at any time, including increasing or decreasing periodic finance charges, other charges or minimum payment terms. The agreement with each cardholder provides that MBNA may apply such changes, when applicable, to current outstanding balances as well as to future transactions. The cardholder can avoid certain changes in terms by giving timely written notification to MBNA and by not using the account.

A cardholder may use the credit card for two types of transactions: purchases and cash advances. Cardholders make purchases when using the credit card to pay for goods or services. A cash advance is made when a credit card is used to obtain cash from a financial institution or an automated teller machine. Cardholders may use special cash advance checks issued by MBNA to draw against their MasterCard or VISA credit lines. Cardholders may draw against their MBNA credit lines as a cash advance by transferring balances owed to other creditors to their MBNA accounts.

#### Description of MBNA Hallmark

Credit card processing services performed by MBNA Hallmark include data processing, payment processing, statement rendering, card production and network services. MBNA Hallmark's data network provides an interface to MasterCard International Inc. and VISA U.S.A., Inc. for performing authorizations and funds transfers. Most data processing and network functions are performed at MBNA Hallmark's facility in Addison, Texas.

#### Interchange

Creditors participating in the VISA and MasterCard associations receive certain fees from VISA and MasterCard, called "interchange," as partial compensation for taking credit risk, absorbing fraud losses and funding receivables for a limited period prior to initial billing. Under the VISA and MasterCard systems, a portion of this interchange in connection with cardholder charges for goods and services is passed from banks which clear the transactions for merchants to credit card issuing banks. Interchange fees are set annually by MasterCard and VISA and are based on the number of credit card transactions and the amount charged per transaction. The seller may be required, as described in the accompanying prospectus supplement, to transfer to the trust a percentage of the interchange attributed to cardholder charges for goods and services in the related accounts. If so required to be transferred, interchange arising under the related accounts will be allocated to the related certificates of any series in the manner provided in the accompanying prospectus supplement, and, unless otherwise provided in the accompanying prospectus supplement, will be treated as collections of finance charge receivables and will be used to pay required monthly payments including interest on the related series of certificates, and, in some cases, to pay all or a portion of the servicing fee paid to the servicer.

#### Competition in the Credit Card Industry

The credit card industry is highly competitive. As new credit card companies enter the market and all companies try to expand their market share, effective advertising, target marketing and pricing strategies grow in importance. MBNA's ability to compete in this industry environment will affect its ability to generate new receivables and might also affect payment patterns on the receivables. If the rate at which MBNA generates new receivables declines significantly, MBNA might be unable to designate additional accounts to the trust and a Pay Out Event could occur, resulting in payment of principal sooner than expected. If the rate at which MBNA generates new receivables decreases significantly at a time when certificateholders are scheduled to receive

principal, certificateholders might receive principal more slowly than planned.

#### The Receivables

The receivables in the trust, called the "trust portfolio," will arise in accounts selected from the bank portfolio on the basis of criteria set forth in the master agreement as applied on the date, called the

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"cut-off date," specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement and, with respect to additional accounts, as of the date of their designation. The seller will have the right (subject to certain limitations and conditions set forth therein), and in some circumstances will be obligated, to designate from time to time additional eligible revolving credit card accounts to be included as accounts and to transfer to the trust all receivables of such additional accounts, whether such receivables are then existing or thereafter created, or to transfer to the trust participations in receivables instead. Any additional accounts designated by the seller must meet certain eligibility requirements on the date of designation. The seller also has the right (subject to certain limitations and conditions) to designate certain accounts and to require the trustee to reconvey all receivables in such accounts to the seller, whether such receivables are then existing or thereafter created. Throughout the term of the trust, the accounts from which the receivables arise will be the accounts designated by the seller on the cut-off date plus any additional accounts minus any removed accounts. With respect to each series of certificates, the seller will represent and warrant to the trust that, as of the date of issuance of the related series and the date receivables are conveyed to the trust, such receivables meet certain eligibility requirements. See "Description of the Certificates--Representations and Warranties" in this prospectus.

The prospectus supplement relating to each series of certificates will provide certain information about the trust portfolio as of the date specified. Such information will include, but not be limited to, the amount of principal receivables, the amount of finance charge receivables, the range of principal balances of the accounts and the average thereof, the range of credit limits of the accounts and the average thereof, the range of ages of the accounts and the average thereof, the geographic distribution of the accounts, the types of accounts and delinquency statistics relating to the accounts.

#### Maturity Considerations

For each series, following the revolving period, collections of principal receivables are expected to be:

- . distributed to holders of specified classes of certificates on each specified distribution date during the controlled amortization period or the principal amortization period; or
- . accumulated for payment to certificateholders of specified classes during a controlled accumulation period and, under certain limited circumstances if so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, a rapid accumulation period, and distributed on a scheduled payment date.

If the rapid amortization period commences, collections of principal receivables will be paid to certificateholders in the manner described in this prospectus and in the accompanying prospectus supplement. The accompanying prospectus supplement will specify:

- . when the amortization period or accumulation period will commence;
- . the principal payments expected or available to be received or accumulated during such amortization period or accumulation period, or on the scheduled payment date, as applicable;
- . the manner and priority of principal accumulations and payments among the classes of a series;
- . the payment rate assumptions on which such expected principal accumulations and payments are based; and
- . the Pay Out Events which, if any were to occur, would lead to the commencement of a rapid amortization period or, if so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, a rapid accumulation period.

We cannot assure you, however, that the principal receivables allocated to be paid to you will be available for distribution or accumulation for payment on each distribution date during the amortization period or accumulation period, or on the scheduled payment date, as applicable. In addition, we cannot assure you that the payment rate assumptions for any series will prove to be correct. The accompanying prospectus supplement will provide certain historical data relating to payments by cardholders, total charge-offs and other related information relating to the bank portfolio. There can be no assurance that future events will be consistent with such historical data.

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Cardholders' use of credit and payment patterns may change due to:

- . seasonal variations;
- . the payment habits of individual cardholders; or
- . a variety of social, technological, legal and economic factors.

As a result, the amount of collections of receivables may vary from month to month. Economic factors include the rate of inflation, unemployment levels and relative interest rates.

While the addresses of the cardholders in the portfolio suggest a wide geographic distribution, the seller is unable to determine the extent to which these factors may affect future credit use or payment patterns.

We cannot assure you that collections of principal receivables with respect to the trust portfolio, and thus the rate at which certificateholders could expect to receive or accumulate payments of principal on their certificates during an amortization period or accumulation period, or on any scheduled payment date, as applicable, will be similar to any historical experience set forth in the accompanying prospectus supplement. If a Pay Out Event occurs and the rapid amortization period commences, the average life and maturity of your certificates could be significantly reduced.

We cannot assure you that the actual number of months elapsed from the date of issuance of a series of certificates to the final distribution date for the certificates will equal the expected number of months, because, for any series:

- . there may be a slowdown in the payment rate below the payment rate used to determine the amount of collections of principal receivables scheduled or available to be distributed or accumulated for later payment to certificateholders during an amortization period or an accumulation period, or on any scheduled payment date, as applicable; or
- . a Pay Out Event may occur which could initiate the rapid amortization period.

#### Use of Proceeds

The net proceeds from the sale of each series of certificates offered hereby will be paid to the seller. The seller will use such proceeds for its general corporate purposes.

#### MBNA and MBNA Corporation

MBNA America Bank, National Association, a national banking association located in Wilmington, Delaware, conducts nationwide consumer lending programs principally comprised of credit card related activities. MBNA is a wholly-owned subsidiary of MBNA Corporation. MBNA was organized in January 1991 as the successor of a national bank formed in 1982. MBNA Corporation is a bank holding company organized under the laws of Maryland on December 6, 1990 and registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended. The prospectus supplement for each series of certificates will provide additional information, including financial information, relating to MBNA, MBNA's credit card activities and MBNA Corporation.

#### Description of the Certificates

The certificates will be issued in series. Each series will represent an interest in the trust other than the interests represented by any other series of certificates issued by the trust (which may include series offered pursuant to this prospectus) and the Seller Interest. Each series will be issued pursuant to the master agreement and a series supplement to the master agreement, a copy of the form of which is filed as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. The prospectus supplement for each series will describe any provisions which may differ materially from the exhibits filed with the registration statement.

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The following summaries describe certain provisions common to each series of certificates.

#### General

The certificates of each series will represent interests in certain assets of the trust, including the right to the applicable investor percentage of all cardholder payments on the receivables in the trust. For each series of certificates, unless otherwise specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, the "Investor Interest" on any date will be equal to:

(1) the initial Investor Interest as of the related closing date for such series (increased by the principal balance of any certificates of such series issued after the closing date for such series); minus

(2) the amount of principal paid to the related certificateholders prior to such date; minus

(3) the amount of unreimbursed Investor Charge-Offs with respect to such

certificates prior to such date.

If so specified in the prospectus supplement relating to any series of certificates, under certain circumstances the Investor Interest may be further adjusted by the amount of principal allocated to certificateholders, the funds on deposit in any specified account, and any other amount specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

Each series of certificates may consist of one or more classes, one or more of which may be senior certificates and one or more of which may be subordinated certificates. Each class of a series will evidence the right to receive a specified portion of each distribution of principal or interest or both. The Investor Interest with respect to a series with more than one class will be allocated among the classes as described in the accompanying prospectus supplement. The certificates of a class may differ from certificates of other classes of the same series in, among other things, the amounts allocated to principal payments, maturity date, certificate rate and the availability of enhancement.

For each series of certificates, payments and deposits of interest and principal will be made on distribution dates to certificateholders in whose names the certificates were registered on the record dates specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement. Interest will be distributed to certificateholders in the amounts, for the periods and on the dates specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

The seller initially will own the "Seller Interest" which represents the interest in the trust not represented by the certificates issued and outstanding under the trust or the rights, if any, of any credit enhancement providers to receive payments from the trust. The holder of the Seller Interest, subject to certain limitations, will have the right to a percentage, called the "Seller Percentage," of all cardholder payments from the receivables in the trust. The Seller Interest may be transferred in whole or in part subject to certain limitations and conditions set forth in the master agreement. At the discretion of the seller, the Seller Interest may be held either in an uncertificated form or in the form of a certificate representing the Seller Interest, called a "seller certificate." See "--Certain Matters Regarding the Seller and the Servicer" in this prospectus.

With respect to each series of certificates, during the revolving period, the amount of the Investor Interest in the trust will remain constant except under certain limited circumstances. See "--Defaulted Receivables; Rebates and Fraudulent Charges; Investor Charge-Offs" in this prospectus. The amount of principal receivables in the trust, however, will vary each day as new principal receivables are created and others are paid. The amount of the Seller Interest will fluctuate each day, therefore, to reflect the changes in the amount of the principal receivables in the trust. When a series is amortizing, the Investor Interest of such series will decline as customer payments of principal receivables are collected and distributed to or accumulated for distribution to the certificateholders. As a result, the Seller Interest will generally increase to reflect reductions in the Investor Interest for such series and will also change to reflect the variations in the amount of principal receivables in the trust. The Seller Interest may also be reduced as the result of the issuance of a new series. See "--New Issuances" in this prospectus.

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Unless otherwise specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, certificates of each series initially will be represented by certificates registered in the name of the nominee of DTC, called, together with any successor depository selected by the seller, the "depository," except as set forth below. Unless otherwise specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, with respect to each series of certificates, beneficial interests in the certificates will be available for purchase in minimum denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples thereof in book-entry form only. The seller has been informed by DTC that DTC's nominee will be Cede & Co. Accordingly, Cede is expected to be the holder of record of each series of certificates. No owner of beneficial interests in the certificates, called a "certificate owner," acquiring an interest in the certificates will be entitled to receive a certificate representing such person's interest in the certificates. Unless and until certificates in fully registered, certificated form are issued for any series under the limited circumstances described in this prospectus:

- . all references in this prospectus or any related prospectus supplement to actions by certificateholders shall refer to actions taken by DTC upon instructions from its participants; and
- . the trustee will not consider a certificate owner to be a certificateholder (as that term is used in the master agreement) and all references in this prospectus or any related prospectus supplement to distributions, notices, reports and statements to certificateholders shall refer to distributions, notices, reports and statements to DTC or Cede, as the registered holder of the certificates, as the case may be, for distribution to certificate owners in accordance with DTC procedures.



Therefore, until such time, a certificate owner will only be able to exercise its rights as certificateholders indirectly through DTC, Clearstream Banking, societe anonyme or the Euroclear System and their participating organizations. See "--Book-Entry Registration" and "---Definitive Certificates" in this prospectus.

If so specified in the prospectus supplement relating to a series, application will be made to list the certificates of such series, or all or a portion of any class thereof, on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or any other specified exchange.

#### Book-Entry Registration

Certificateholders may hold their certificates through DTC (in the United States) or Clearstream or Euroclear (in Europe) if they are participants of such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems.

Cede, as nominee for DTC, will hold the global certificates. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold omnibus positions on behalf of the Clearstream customers and the Euroclear participants, respectively, through customers' securities accounts in Clearstream's and Euroclear's names on the books of their respective depositories, collectively called the "depositories," which in turn will hold such positions in customers' securities accounts in the depositories' names on the books of DTC.

DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the laws of the State of New York, 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 Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. DTC was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between its participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants include securities brokers and dealers (who may include the underwriters of any series), banks, trust companies and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the DTC system also is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies, as indirect participants, that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

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Transfers between DTC participants will occur in accordance with DTC rules. Transfers between Clearstream customers and Euroclear participants will occur in the ordinary way in accordance with their applicable rules and operating procedures.

Cross-market transfers between persons holding directly or indirectly through DTC, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Clearstream customers or Euroclear participants, on the other, will be effected in DTC in accordance with DTC rules on behalf of the relevant European international clearing system by its depository; however, such cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to the relevant European international clearing system by the counterparty in such system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (European time). The relevant European international clearing system will, if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving securities in DTC, and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to DTC. Clearstream customers and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories.

Because of time-zone differences, credits of securities in Clearstream or Euroclear as a result of a transaction with a DTC participant will be made during the subsequent securities settlement processing, dated the business day following the DTC settlement date, and such credits or any transactions in such securities settled during such processing will be reported to the relevant Clearstream customer or Euroclear participant on such business day. Cash received in Clearstream or Euroclear as a result of sales of securities by or through a Clearstream customer or a Euroclear participant to a DTC participant will be received with value on the DTC settlement date but will be available in the relevant Clearstream or Euroclear cash account only as of the business day following settlement in DTC.

Certificate owners that are not participants or indirect participants but desire to purchase, sell or otherwise transfer ownership of, or other interest in, certificates may do so only through participants and indirect participants. In addition, certificate owners will receive all distributions of principal of and interest on the certificates from the trustee through the participants who in turn will receive them from DTC. Under a book-entry format, certificate owners may experience some delay in their receipt of payments, since such payments will be forwarded by the trustee to Cede, as nominee for DTC. DTC will forward such payments to its participants which thereafter will forward them to

indirect participants or certificate owners. It is anticipated that the only certificateholder will be Cede, as nominee of DTC.

Under the rules, regulations and procedures creating and affecting DTC and its operations, DTC is required to make book-entry transfers among participants on whose behalf it acts with respect to the certificates and is required to receive and transmit distributions of principal and interest on the certificates. Participants and indirect participants with which certificate owners have accounts with respect to the certificates similarly are required to make book-entry transfers and receive and transmit such payments on behalf of their respective certificate owners. Accordingly, although certificate owners will not possess certificates, certificate owners will receive payments and will be able to transfer their interests.

Because DTC can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a certificate owner to pledge certificates to persons or entities that do not participate in the DTC system, or otherwise take actions in respect of such certificates, may be limited due to the lack of a physical certificate for such certificates.

DTC has advised the seller that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a certificateholder under the master agreement only at the direction of one or more participants to whose account with DTC the certificates are credited. Additionally, DTC has advised the seller that it will take such actions with respect to specified percentages of the Investor Interest only at the direction of and on behalf of participants whose holdings include interests that satisfy such specified percentages. DTC may take conflicting actions with respect to other interests to the extent that such actions are taken on behalf of participants whose holdings include such interests.

Clearstream is incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg. Clearstream holds securities for its customers and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Clearstream customers through

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electronic book-entry changes in accounts of Clearstream customers, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Transactions may be settled in Clearstream in any of 36 currencies, including United States dollars. Clearstream provides to its Clearstream customers, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Clearstream also deals with domestic securities markets in over 30 countries through established depository and custodial relationships. Clearstream is registered as a bank in Luxembourg, and as such is subject to regulation by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier, which supervises Luxembourg banks. Clearstream's customers are world-wide financial institutions including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations and may include the underwriters of any series of certificates. Clearstream's U.S. customers are limited to securities brokers and dealers and banks. Currently, Clearstream has approximately 2,000 customers located in over 80 countries, including all major European countries, Canada and the United States. Indirect access to Clearstream is also available to other institutions that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with an account holder of Clearstream. Clearstream has established an electronic bridge with Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. as the operator of the Euroclear System in Brussels to facilitate settlement of trades between Clearstream and Euroclear.

Euroclear was created in 1968 to hold securities for participants of the Euroclear System and to clear and settle transactions between Euroclear participants through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery against payment, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates and any risk from lack of simultaneous transfers of securities and cash. Transactions may now be settled in any of 27 currencies, including United States dollars. The Euroclear System includes various other services, including securities lending and borrowing and interfaces with domestic markets in several countries generally similar to the arrangements for cross-market transfers with DTC described above. The Euroclear System is operated by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. as the Euroclear operator. All operations are conducted by the Euroclear operator, and all Euroclear securities clearance accounts and Euroclear cash accounts are accounts with the Euroclear operator. The Euroclear operator establishes policy for the Euroclear System on behalf of Euroclear participants. Euroclear participants include banks (including central banks), securities brokers and dealers and other professional financial intermediaries and may include the underwriters of any series of certificates. Indirect access to the Euroclear System is also available to other firms that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Euroclear participant, either directly or indirectly.

Securities clearance accounts and cash accounts with the Euroclear operator are governed by the Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear and the related Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System and applicable Belgian law. These rules and laws govern transfers of securities and cash within the Euroclear System, withdrawal of securities and cash from the Euroclear System,

and receipts of payments with respect to securities in the Euroclear System. All securities in the Euroclear System are held on a fungible basis without attribution of specific certificates to specific securities clearance accounts. The Euroclear operator acts under these rules and laws only on behalf of Euroclear participants and has no record of or relationship with persons holding through Euroclear participants.

Distributions with respect to certificates held through Clearstream or Euroclear will be credited to the cash accounts of Clearstream customers or Euroclear participants in accordance with the relevant system's rules and procedures, to the extent received by its depository. Such distributions will be subject to tax reporting in accordance with relevant United States tax laws and regulations. See "Federal Income Tax Consequences" in this prospectus. Clearstream or the Euroclear operator, as the case may be, will take any other action permitted to be taken by a certificateholder under the master agreement on behalf of a Clearstream customer or Euroclear participant only in accordance with its relevant rules and procedures and subject to its depository's ability to effect such actions on its behalf through DTC.

Although DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures in order to facilitate transfers of certificates among participants of DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform such procedures and such procedures may be discontinued at any time.

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#### Definitive Certificates

We refer to certificates issued in fully registered, certificated form as "definitive certificates." The certificates of each series will be issued as definitive certificates to certificate owners or their nominees rather than to DTC or its nominee, only if:

(1) the seller advises the trustee in writing that DTC is no longer willing or able to discharge properly its responsibilities as depository with respect to such series, and the trustee or the seller is unable to locate a qualified successor;

(2) the seller, at its option, advises the trustee in writing that it elects to terminate the book-entry system through DTC; or

(3) after the occurrence of a Servicer Default, certificate owners representing not less than 50% (or such other percentage specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement) of the Investor Interest advise the trustee and DTC through participants in writing that the continuation of a book-entry system through DTC (or a successor thereto) is no longer in the best interest of the certificate owners.

Upon the occurrence of any of these events, DTC is required to notify all participants of the availability through DTC of definitive certificates. Upon surrender by DTC of the definitive certificate representing the certificates and instructions for re-registration, the trustee will issue the certificates as definitive certificates, and thereafter the trustee will recognize the holders of such definitive certificates as holders of certificates under the master agreement.

Distribution of principal and interest on the certificates will be made by the trustee directly to holders of definitive certificates in accordance with the procedures set forth in this prospectus and in the master agreement. Interest payments and any principal payments on each distribution date will be made to holders in whose names the definitive certificates were registered at the close of business on the related record date. Distributions will be made by check mailed to the address of such holder as it appears on the register maintained by the trustee. The final payment on any certificate (whether definitive certificates or the certificates registered in the name of Cede representing the certificates), however, will be made only upon presentation and surrender of such certificate at the office or agency specified in the notice of final distribution to certificateholders. The trustee will provide such notice to registered certificateholders not later than the fifth day of the month of such final distributions.

Definitive certificates will be transferable and exchangeable at the offices of the transfer agent and registrar, which shall initially be the trustee. No service charge will be imposed for any registration of transfer or exchange, but the transfer agent and registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge imposed in connection therewith. The transfer agent and registrar shall not be required to register the transfer or exchange of definitive certificates for a period of fifteen days preceding the due date for any payment with respect to such definitive certificates.

#### Interest Payments

Interest will accrue on the certificates from the relevant closing date at

the applicable certificate rate, which may be a fixed, floating or other type of rate as specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement. Interest will be distributed or deposited with respect to certificateholders on the distribution dates. Interest payments or deposits on any distribution date will be funded from collections of finance charge receivables allocated to the Investor Interest during the preceding monthly period or periods and may be funded from certain investment earnings on funds held in accounts of the trust and, from any applicable credit enhancement, if necessary, or certain other amounts as specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

If the distribution dates for payment or deposit of interest for a series or class occur less frequently than monthly, such collections or other amounts (or the portion thereof allocable to a class) may be deposited in one

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or more interest funding accounts pending distribution to the certificateholders of such series or class, as described in the accompanying prospectus supplement. If a series has more than one class, each such class may have a separate interest funding account.

The prospectus supplement relating to each series of certificates will describe:

- . the amounts and sources of interest payments to be made;
- . the certificate rate; and
- . for a series or class thereof bearing interest at a floating certificate rate:
  - . the initial certificate rate or the date and manner for determining the initial certificate rate;
  - . the dates and the manner for determining subsequent certificate rates; and
  - . the formula, index or other method by which such certificate rates are determined.

#### Principal Payments

During the revolving period for each series of certificates, no principal payments will be made to the certificateholders of such series.

During the controlled amortization period or principal amortization period, as applicable, which will be scheduled to begin on the date specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the accompanying prospectus supplement, and during the rapid amortization period, which will begin upon the occurrence of a Pay Out Event or, if so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, the rapid accumulation period, principal will be paid to the certificateholders in the amounts and on the dates specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

During an accumulation period, principal will be accumulated in a principal funding account established for the benefit of such certificateholders for later distribution to certificateholders on the scheduled payment date in the amounts specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

Principal payments for any series or class will be funded from collections of principal receivables received during the related monthly period or periods as specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement and allocated to such series or class and from certain other sources specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement. In the case of a series with more than one class, the certificateholders of one or more classes may receive payments of principal at different times. The accompanying prospectus supplement will describe the manner, timing and priority of payments of principal to certificateholders of each class.

Funds on deposit in any principal funding account applicable to a series may be subject to a guaranteed rate agreement or guaranteed investment contract or other arrangement specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement intended to assure a minimum rate of return on the investment of such funds. In order to enhance the likelihood of the payment in full of the principal amount of a series or class of certificates at the end of an accumulation period, such series or class may be subject to a principal guaranty or other similar arrangement specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

#### Transfer and Assignment of Receivables

The seller has transferred and assigned all of its right, title and interest in and to the receivables in the accounts and all receivables thereafter created in the accounts.

In connection with each previous transfer of the receivables to the trust, the seller indicated, and in connection with each subsequent transfer of receivables to the trust, the seller will indicate, in its computer files that the receivables have been conveyed to the trust. In addition, the seller has provided to the trustee computer files or microfiche lists, containing a true and complete list showing each account, identified by account number and by

total outstanding balance on the date of transfer. The seller will not deliver to the trustee any other records or agreements relating to the accounts or the receivables, except in connection with additions or

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removals of accounts. Except as stated above, the records and agreements relating to the accounts and the receivables in the trust maintained by the seller or the servicer are not and will not be segregated by the seller or the servicer from other documents and agreements relating to other credit card accounts and receivables and are not and will not be stamped or marked to reflect the transfer of the receivables to the trust, but the computer records of the seller are and will be required to be marked to evidence such transfer. The seller has filed Uniform Commercial Code financing statements with respect to the receivables in the trust meeting the requirements of Delaware state law. See "Risk Factors" and "Certain Legal Aspects of the Receivables" in this prospectus.

#### New Issuances

The master agreement provides that, pursuant to any one or more series supplements, the holder of the Seller Interest may cause the trustee to issue one or more new series of certificates and may define all principal terms of such series. Each series issued may have different terms and enhancements than any other series. None of the seller, the servicer, the trustee or the trust is required or intends to obtain the consent of any certificateholder of any other series previously issued by the trust prior to the issuance of a new series. However, as a condition of a new issuance, the holder of the Seller Interest will deliver to the trustee written confirmation that the new issuance will not result in the reduction or withdrawal by any rating agency of its rating of any outstanding series. The seller may offer any series under a prospectus or other disclosure document in offerings pursuant to this prospectus or in transactions either registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or exempt from registration thereunder directly, through one or more other underwriters or placement agents, in fixed-price offerings or in negotiated transactions or otherwise.

Under the master agreement, the holder of the Seller Interest may cause a new issuance by notifying the trustee at least three days in advance of the date upon which the new issuance is to occur. The notice will state the designation of any series to be issued and:

- (1) its initial principal amount (or method for calculating such amount) which amount may not be greater than the current principal amount of the Seller Interest;
- (2) its certificate rate (or method of calculating such rate); and
- (3) the provider of any credit enhancement.

The trustee will authenticate a new series only if it receives the following, among others:

- (1) a series supplement specifying the principal terms of such series;
- (2) (a) an opinion of counsel to the effect that, unless otherwise stated in the related series supplement, the certificates of such series will be characterized as indebtedness for federal income tax purposes; and  
(b) an opinion of counsel to the effect that, for federal income tax purposes:
  - (i) such issuance will not adversely affect the tax characterization as debt of certificates of any outstanding series or class that were characterized as debt at the time of their issuance;
  - (ii) following such issuance the trust will not be deemed to be an association (or publicly traded partnership) taxable as a corporation; and
  - (iii) such issuance will not cause or constitute an event in which gain or loss would be recognized by any certificateholder or the trust (an opinion of counsel with respect to any matter to the effect referred to in clause (b) with respect to any action is referred to in this prospectus as a "Tax Opinion");
- (3) if required by the related series supplement, the form of credit enhancement;
- (4) if credit enhancement is required by the series supplement, an appropriate credit enhancement agreement executed by the seller and the issuer of the credit enhancement;

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(5) written confirmation from each rating agency that the new issuance will not result in such rating agency's reducing or withdrawing its rating on any then outstanding series rated by it; and

(6) an officer's certificate of the seller to the effect that after giving effect to the new issuance the seller would not be required to add additional accounts pursuant to the master agreement and the Seller Interest would be at least equal to a specified minimum level, called the "Minimum Seller Interest."

#### Representations and Warranties

The seller has made in the master agreement certain representations and warranties to the trust to the effect that, among other things:

(a) as of the closing date, the seller was duly incorporated and in good standing and that it has the authority to consummate the transactions contemplated by the master agreement; and

(b) as of the cut-off date (or as of the date of the designation of additional accounts), each account was an Eligible Account (as defined below).

If,

(1) any of these representations and warranties proves to have been incorrect in any material respect when made, and continues to be incorrect for 60 days after notice to the seller by the trustee or to the seller and the trustee by the certificateholders holding more than 50% of the Investor Interest of the related series; and

(2) as a result the interests of the certificateholders are materially and adversely affected, and continue to be materially and adversely affected during such period;

then the trustee or certificateholders holding more than 50% of the Investor Interest may give notice to the seller (and to the trustee in the latter instance) declaring that a Pay Out Event has occurred, thereby commencing the rapid amortization period or, if so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, the rapid accumulation period.

The seller has also made representations and warranties to the trust relating to the receivables in the trust to the effect that, among other things:

(a) as of the closing date of the initial series of certificates issued by the trust, each of the receivables then existing in the trust is an Eligible Receivable (as defined below); and

(b) as of the date of creation of any new receivable, such receivable is an Eligible Receivable and the representation and warranty that the transfer was a sale or the grant of a perfected security interest, as described below, is true and correct with respect to such receivable.

In the event:

(1) of a breach of any representation and warranty set forth in this paragraph, within 60 days, or such longer period as may be agreed to by the trustee, of the earlier to occur of the discovery of such breach by the seller or servicer or receipt by the seller of written notice of such breach given by the trustee, or, with respect to certain breaches relating to prior liens, immediately upon the earlier to occur of such discovery or notice; and

(2) that as a result of such breach, the receivables in the accounts of the trust are charged-off as uncollectible, the trust's rights in, to or under the receivables or its proceeds are impaired or the proceeds of such receivables are not available for any reason to the trust free and clear of any lien (except for certain tax, governmental and other nonconsensual liens);

then the seller shall accept reassignment of each principal receivable as an ineligible receivable to which such breach relates on the terms and conditions set forth below. However, no such reassignment shall be required to be made with respect to such ineligible receivable if, on any day within the applicable period (or such longer period as may be agreed to by the trustee), the representations and warranties with respect to such ineligible receivable shall then be true and correct in all material respects.

The seller will accept reassignment of each ineligible receivable by directing the servicer to deduct the amount of each such ineligible receivable from the aggregate amount of principal receivables used to calculate the Seller Interest. In the event that the exclusion of an ineligible receivable from the

calculation of the Seller Interest would cause the Seller Interest to be a negative number, on the date of reassignment of such ineligible receivable the seller shall make a deposit in the principal account in immediately available funds in an amount equal to the amount by which the Seller Interest would be reduced below zero. Any such deduction or deposit shall be considered a repayment in full of the ineligible receivable. The obligation of the seller to accept reassignment of any ineligible receivable is the sole remedy respecting any breach of the representations and warranties set forth in this paragraph with respect to such receivable available to the certificateholders or the trustee on behalf of certificateholders.

The seller has also represented and warranted to the trust to the effect that, among other things, as of the closing date of the initial series of certificates issued by the trust:

(a) the master agreement will constitute a legal, valid and binding obligation of the seller; and

(b) the transfer of receivables by it to the trust under the master agreement will constitute either:

- . a valid transfer and assignment to the trust of all right, title and interest of the seller in and to the receivables in the trust (other than receivables in additional accounts), whether then existing or thereafter created and the proceeds thereof (including amounts in any of the accounts established for the benefit of certificateholders); or
- . the grant of a first priority perfected security interest in such receivables (except for certain tax, governmental and other nonconsensual liens) and the proceeds thereof (including amounts in any of the accounts established for the benefit of certificateholders), which is effective as to each such receivable upon the creation thereof.

In the event of a breach of any of the representations and warranties described in this paragraph, either the trustee or the holders of certificates evidencing interests in the trust aggregating more than 50% of the aggregate Investor Interest of all series outstanding under the trust may direct the seller to accept reassignment of the trust portfolio within 60 days of such notice, or within such longer period specified in such notice. The seller will be obligated to accept reassignment of such receivables in the trust on a distribution date occurring within such applicable period. Such reassignment will not be required to be made, however, if at any time during such applicable period, or such longer period, the representations and warranties shall then be true and correct in all material respects. The deposit amount for such reassignment will be equal to:

- . the Investor Interest and Enhancement Invested Amount, if any, for each series outstanding under the trust on the last day of the monthly period preceding the distribution date on which the reassignment is scheduled to be made; minus
- . the amount, if any, previously allocated for payment of principal to such certificateholders or such holders of the Enhancement Invested Amount or the Collateral Interest, if any, on such distribution date; plus
- . an amount equal to all accrued and unpaid interest less the amount, if any, previously allocated for payment of such interest on such distribution date.

The payment of the reassignment deposit amount and the transfer of all other amounts deposited for the preceding month in the distribution account will be considered a payment in full of the Investor Interest and the Enhancement Invested Amount, if any, for each such series required to be repurchased and will be distributed upon presentation and surrender of the certificates for each such series. If the trustee or certificateholders give a notice as provided above, the obligation of the seller to make any such deposit will constitute the sole remedy respecting a breach of the representations and warranties available to the trustee or such certificateholders.

An "Eligible Account" means, as of the cut-off date (or, with respect to additional accounts, as of their date of designation for inclusion in the trust), each account owned by the seller:

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(a) which was in existence and maintained with the seller;

(b) which is payable in United States dollars;

(c) the customer of which has provided, as his most recent billing address, an address located in the United States or its territories or possessions;

(d) which has not been classified by the seller as cancelled, counterfeit, deleted, fraudulent, stolen or lost;

(e) which has either been originated by the seller or acquired by the seller from other institutions; and

(f) which has not been charged-off by the seller in its customary and usual manner for charging-off such account as of the cut-off date and, with respect to additional accounts, as of their date of designation for inclusion in the trust.

The definition of Eligible Account may be changed by amendment to the master agreement without the consent of the certificateholders if:

(i) the seller delivers to the trustee a certificate of an authorized officer to the effect that, in the reasonable belief of the seller, such amendment will not as of the date of such amendment adversely affect in any material respect the interest of such certificateholders; and

(ii) such amendment will not result in a withdrawal or reduction of the rating of any outstanding series under the trust by any rating agency.

An "Eligible Receivable" means each receivable:

(a) which has arisen under an Eligible Account;

(b) which was created in compliance, in all material respects, with all requirements of law applicable to the seller, and pursuant to a credit card agreement which complies in all material respects with all requirements of law applicable to the seller;

(c) with respect to which all consents, licenses or authorizations of, or registrations with, any governmental authority required to be obtained or given by the seller in connection with the creation of such receivable or the execution, delivery, creation and performance by the seller of the related credit card agreement have been duly obtained or given and are in full force and effect as of the date of the creation of such receivable;

(d) as to which, at the time of its creation, the seller or the trust had good and marketable title free and clear of all liens and security interests arising under or through the seller (other than certain tax liens for taxes not then due or which the seller is contesting);

(e) which is the legal, valid and binding payment obligation of the obligor thereon, legally enforceable against such obligor in accordance with its terms (with certain bankruptcy-related exceptions); and

(f) which constitutes an "account" under Article 9 of the UCC.

It is not required or anticipated that the trustee will make any initial or periodic general examination of the receivables or any records relating to the receivables for the purpose of establishing the presence or absence of defects, compliance with the seller's representations and warranties or for any other purpose. The servicer, however, will deliver to the trustee on or before March 31 of each year (or such other date specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement) an opinion of counsel with respect to the validity of the security interest of the trust in and to the receivables and certain other components of the trust.

#### Addition of Trust Assets

As described above under "The Receivables," the seller will have the right to designate for the trust, from time to time, additional accounts to be included as accounts transferred to the trust. In addition, the seller will be required to designate additional accounts under the circumstances and in the amounts specified in the

accompanying prospectus supplement. The seller will convey to the trust its interest in all receivables of such additional accounts, whether such receivables are then existing or thereafter created.

Each additional account must be an Eligible Account at the time of its designation. However, additional accounts may not be of the same credit quality as the initial accounts transferred to the trust. Additional accounts may have been originated by the seller using credit criteria different from those which were applied by the seller to the initial accounts transferred to the trust or may have been acquired by the seller from an institution which may have had different credit criteria.

In addition to or in lieu of additional accounts, the seller is permitted to add to the trust participations representing interests in a pool of assets



primarily consisting of receivables arising under consumer revolving credit card accounts owned by the seller and collections thereon. Participations may be evidenced by one or more certificates of ownership issued under a separate pooling and servicing agreement or similar agreement entered into by the seller which entitles the certificateholder to receive percentages of collections generated by the pool of assets subject to such participation agreement from time to time and to certain other rights and remedies specified therein. Participations may have their own credit enhancement, Pay Out Events, servicing obligations and Servicer Defaults, all of which are likely to be enforceable by a separate trustee under the participation agreement and may be different from those specified in this prospectus. The rights and remedies of the trust as the holder of a participation (and therefore the certificateholders) will be subject to all the terms and provisions of the related participation agreement. The master agreement may be amended to permit the addition of a participation in the trust without the consent of the related certificateholders if:

(i) the seller delivers to the trustee a certificate of an authorized officer to the effect that, in the reasonable belief of the seller, such amendment will not as of the date of such amendment adversely affect in any material respect the interest of such certificateholders; and

(ii) such amendment will not result in a withdrawal or reduction of the rating of any outstanding series under the trust by any rating agency.

A conveyance by the seller to the trust of receivables in additional accounts or participations is subject to the following conditions, among others:

(1) the seller shall give the trustee, each rating agency and the servicer written notice that such additional accounts or participations will be included, which notice shall specify the approximate aggregate amount of the receivables or interests therein to be transferred;

(2) the seller shall have delivered to the trustee a written assignment (including an acceptance by the trustee on behalf of the trust for the benefit of the certificateholders) as provided in the assignment agreement relating to such additional accounts or participations and, the seller shall have delivered to the trustee a computer file or microfiche list, dated the date of such assignment, called the "addition date," containing a true and complete list of such additional accounts or participations transferred to the trust;

(3) the seller shall represent and warrant that:

(x) each additional account is, as of the addition date, an Eligible Account, and each receivable in such additional account is, as of the addition date, an Eligible Receivable;

(y) no selection procedures believed by the seller to be materially adverse to the interests of the certificateholders were utilized in selecting the additional accounts from the available Eligible Accounts from the bank portfolio; and

(z) as of the addition date, the seller is not insolvent;

(4) the seller shall deliver certain opinions of counsel with respect to the transfer of the receivables in the additional accounts or the participations to the trust; and

(5) each rating agency then rating any series of certificates outstanding under the trust shall have previously, or, in certain limited circumstances, within a three-month period, consented to the addition of such additional accounts or participations.

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In addition to the periodic reports otherwise required to be filed by the servicer with the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the servicer intends to file, on behalf of the trust, a report on Form 8-K with respect to any addition to the trust of receivables in additional accounts or participations that would have a material effect on the composition of the assets of the trust.

#### Removal of Accounts

The seller may, but shall not be obligated to, designate from time to time (which may be restricted to certain periods if so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement) certain accounts to be removed accounts, all receivables in which shall be subject to deletion and removal from the trust. The seller, however, may not make more than one such designation in any monthly period. The seller will be permitted to designate and require reassignment to it of the receivables from removed accounts only upon satisfaction of the following conditions:

(1) the removal of any receivables of any removed accounts shall not, in the reasonable belief of the seller, cause a Pay Out Event to occur;

(2) the seller shall have delivered to the trustee for execution a written assignment and a computer file or microfiche list, dated the date of such removal, called the "removal date," containing a true and complete list of all removed accounts identified by account number and the aggregate amount of the receivables in such removed accounts;

(3) the seller shall represent and warrant that no selection procedures believed by the seller to be materially adverse to the interests of the holders of any series of certificates outstanding under the trust were utilized in selecting the removed accounts to be removed from the trust;

(4) each rating agency then rating each series of certificates outstanding under the trust shall have received notice of such proposed removal of accounts and the seller shall have received notice from each such rating agency that such proposed removal will not result in a downgrade of its then-current rating for any such series;

(5) the aggregate amount of principal receivables of the accounts then existing in the trust less the aggregate amount of principal receivables of the removed accounts shall not be less than the amount, if any, specified for any period specified;

(6) the principal receivables of the removed accounts shall not equal or exceed 5% (or such other percentage specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement) of the aggregate amount of the principal receivables in the trust at such time; except, that if any series has been paid in full, the principal receivables in such removed accounts may not equal or exceed the sum of:

(a) the initial Investor Interest or the aggregate principal amount of the certificates of such series, as applicable, of such series; plus

(b) 5% of the aggregate amount of the principal receivables in the trust at such time after giving effect to the removal of accounts pursuant to clause (a) above;

(7) such other conditions as are specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement; and

(8) the seller shall have delivered to the trustee an officer's certificate confirming the items set forth in clauses (1) through (7) above.

The seller will be permitted to designate as a removed account without the consent of the trustee, certificateholders or rating agencies, and without having to satisfy the conditions described above, any account that has a zero balance and which the seller will remove from its computer file.

#### Collection and Other Servicing Procedures

The servicer will be responsible for servicing and administering the receivables in accordance with the servicer's policies and procedures for servicing credit card receivables comparable to the receivables. The servicer will be required to maintain fidelity bond coverage insuring against losses through wrongdoing of its

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officers and employees who are involved in the servicing of credit card receivables covering such actions and in such amounts as the servicer believes to be reasonable from time to time.

#### Discount Option

The seller may, at its sole discretion, at any time designate a specified fixed or variable percentage, called the "discount percentage," of the amount of receivables arising in the accounts on and after the date such option is exercised that otherwise would have been treated as principal receivables to be treated as finance charge receivables. In effect, if such option is exercised by the seller, the principal receivables are treated as having been transferred to the trust at a discount. The result of such discounting treatment is to increase the yield to the trust beyond the actual income performance of the accounts. Such designation will become effective upon satisfaction of the requirements set forth in the master agreement, including written confirmation by each rating agency of its then-current rating on each outstanding series. After such designation is effective, on the date of processing of any collections, the product of the discount percentage and collections of receivables that arise in the accounts on such day on or after the date such option is exercised that otherwise would be principal receivables will be deemed collections of finance charge receivables and will be applied accordingly, unless otherwise provided in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

#### Trust Accounts

The trustee will establish and maintain in the name of the trust two separate accounts in a segregated trust account (which need not be a deposit account), a "finance charge account" and a "principal account," for the benefit of the certificateholders of all related series. The trustee may establish series accounts in series supplements, including an interest funding account, a principal funding account, a pre-funding account or such other account specified in the related series supplement, each of which series accounts shall be held for the benefit of the certificateholders of the related series and for the purposes set forth in the accompanying prospectus supplement. The trustee will also establish a "distribution account" which will be a non-interest bearing segregated demand deposit account established with a Qualified Institution other than the seller.

The servicer will establish and maintain, in the name of the trust, for the benefit of certificateholders of all series, an account established for the purpose of holding collections of receivables, called a "collection account," which will be a non-interest bearing segregated account established and maintained with the servicer or with a "Qualified Institution," defined as:

- . a depository institution or trust company, which may include the trustee;
- . organized under the laws of the United States or any one of the states thereof;
- . which at all times has a certificate of deposit rating of P-1 by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and of A-1+ by Standard & Poor's Corporation or long-term unsecured debt obligation (other than such obligation the rating of which is based on collateral or on the credit of a person other than such institution or trust company) rating of Aa3 by Moody's; and
- . which has deposit insurance provided by either the Bank Insurance Fund or the Savings Association Insurance Fund, each administered by the FDIC.

A Qualified Institution may also be a depository institution, which may include the trustee, which is acceptable to each rating agency.

Funds in the principal account and the finance charge account for the trust will be invested, at the direction of the servicer, in "Permitted Investments," defined as:

- (i) obligations fully guaranteed by the United States of America;
  - (ii) time deposits or certificates of deposit of depository institutions or trust companies, the certificates of deposit of which have the highest rating from Moody's and Standard & Poor's;
  - (iii) commercial paper having, at the time of the trust's investment, a rating in the highest rating category from Moody's and Standard & Poor's;
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- (iv) bankers' acceptances issued by any depository institution or trust company described in clause (ii) above;
  - (v) money market funds which have the highest rating from, or have otherwise been approved in writing by, Moody's and Standard & Poor's;
  - (vi) certain open end diversified investment companies; and
  - (vii) any other investment if each rating agency confirms in writing that such investment will not adversely affect its then-current rating or ratings of the certificates.

Any earnings (net of losses and investment expenses) on funds in the finance charge account or the principal account will be paid to the seller. Funds in any other series account established by a series supplement may be invested in Permitted Investments or otherwise as provided in the accompanying prospectus supplement. The servicer will have the revocable power to withdraw funds from the collection account and to instruct the trustee to make withdrawals and payments from the finance charge account and the principal account for the purpose of carrying out the servicer's duties. The trustee will initially be the paying agent and will have the revocable power to withdraw funds from the distribution account for the purpose of making distributions to the certificateholders.

#### Funding Period

For any series of certificates, the accompanying prospectus supplement may specify that for a "funding period" beginning on the closing date and ending on a specified date before the commencement of an amortization period or accumulation period with respect to such series, the aggregate amount of principal receivables in the trust allocable to such series may be less than the aggregate principal amount of the certificates of such series. The amount of such deficiency, called the "pre-funding amount," will be held in a trust account established with the trustee for the benefit of certificateholders of such series, called the "pre-funding account," pending the transfer of additional receivables to the trust or pending the reduction of the Investor

Interests of other series issued by the trust. The accompanying prospectus supplement will specify the initial Investor Interest with respect to such series, the aggregate principal amount of the certificates of such series and the date by which the Investor Interest is expected to equal such aggregate principal amount. The Investor Interest will increase as receivables are delivered to the trust or as the Investor Interests of other series of the trust are reduced. The Investor Interest may also decrease due to Investor Charge-Offs or the occurrence of a Pay Out Event with respect to such series as provided in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

During the funding period, funds on deposit in the pre-funding account for a series of certificates will be withdrawn and paid to the seller to the extent of any increases in the Investor Interest. In the event that the Investor Interest does not for any reason equal the targeted aggregate principal amount by the end of the funding period, any amount remaining in the pre-funding account and any additional amounts specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement will be payable to the certificateholders of such series in the manner and at such time as set forth in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

Monies in the pre-funding account will be invested by the trustee in Permitted Investments or will be subject to a guaranteed rate or investment agreement or other similar arrangement. In connection with each distribution date during the funding period, investment earnings on funds in the pre-funding account during the related monthly period will be withdrawn from the pre-funding account and deposited, together with any applicable payment under a guaranteed rate or investment agreement or other similar arrangement, into the finance charge account for distribution in respect of interest on the certificates of the related series in the manner specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

#### Investor Percentage and Seller Percentage

The servicer will allocate between the Investor Interest of each series issued and outstanding (and between each class of each series) and the Seller Interest, and, in certain circumstances, the interest of certain credit

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enhancement providers, all amounts collected on finance charge receivables, all amounts collected on principal receivables and all receivables in accounts which were written off as uncollectible by the servicer, called "defaulted accounts," based on a varying percentage called the "Investor Percentage." The servicer will make each allocation by reference to the applicable Investor Percentage of each series and the Seller Percentage, and, in certain circumstances, the percentage interest of certain credit enhancement providers, called the "Credit Enhancement Percentage," with respect to such series. The prospectus supplement relating to a series will specify the Investor Percentage and, if applicable, the Credit Enhancement Percentage with respect to the allocations of collections of principal receivables, finance charge receivables and receivables in defaulted accounts during the revolving period, any amortization period and any accumulation period, as applicable. In addition, for each series of certificates having more than one class, the accompanying prospectus supplement will specify the method of allocation between each class.

The Seller Percentage will, in all cases, be equal to 100% minus the aggregate Investor Percentages and, if applicable, the Credit Enhancement Percentages, for all series then outstanding.

#### Transfer of Annual Membership Fees

Before the distribution date following each annual membership fee processing date, the seller will accept reassignment of the receivables representing such annual membership fee from the trust. The seller will pay to the trust for such receivable the amount of such annual membership fee. An amount equal to the product of (a) the Investor Percentages with respect to all series issued by the trust with respect to finance charge receivables and (b) the amount of such annual membership fee will be deposited by the seller into the finance charge account, and an amount equal to the product of (a) the Seller Percentage and (b) the amount of such annual membership fee will be paid to the holder of the Seller Interest. Simultaneously with such reassignment, the seller will retransfer the receivable representing such annual membership fee to the trust. Upon such retransfer, the seller will make certain representations and warranties with respect to such receivables, as provided above under "-- Representations and Warranties," as if such receivable were a new receivable created in an existing account of the trust. Further, the amount of the Seller Interest will be increased to reflect the addition of such annual membership fee receivable to the trust. Collections with respect to such annual membership fees will be treated as collections of principal receivables.

#### Application of Collections

Except as otherwise provided below, the servicer will deposit into the collection account for the trust, no later than the second business day (or such other day specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement) following the date of processing, any payment collected by the servicer on the

receivables in the trust. On the same day as any such deposit is made, the servicer will make the deposits and payments to the accounts and parties as indicated below. While MBNA is the servicer, the servicer may make such deposits and payments on a monthly or other periodic basis on the business day immediately prior to each distribution date or other business day specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, called a "transfer date," in an amount equal to the net amount of such deposits and payments which would have been made on a daily basis if:

(a) (i) the servicer provides to the trustee a letter of credit covering risk collection of the servicer acceptable to the specified rating agency; and

(ii) the seller shall not have received a notice from such rating agency that such letter of credit would result in the lowering of such rating agency's then-existing rating of the related series or any series of certificates previously-issued and then-outstanding; or

(b) the servicer has and maintains a certificate of deposit rating of P-1 by Moody's and of A-1 by Standard & Poor's and deposit insurance.

Whether the servicer is required to make monthly or daily deposits from the collection account into the finance charge account or the principal account, with respect to any monthly period:

(a) the servicer will only be required to deposit collections from the collection account into the finance charge account, the principal account or any series account established by a related series

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supplement up to the required amount to be deposited into any such deposit account or, without duplication, distributed or deposited on or prior to the related distribution date to certificateholders or to the provider of enhancement; and

(b) if at any time prior to such distribution date the amount of collections deposited in the collection account exceeds the amount required to be deposited pursuant to clause (a) above, the servicer, subject to certain limitations, will be permitted to withdraw the excess from the collection account.

The servicer will withdraw the following amounts from the collection account for application as indicated:

(a) an amount equal to the Seller Percentage of the aggregate amount of such deposits in respect of principal receivables and finance charge receivables, respectively, will be paid or held for payment to the holder of the Seller Interest, provided that any collections of principal receivables allocable to the holder of the Seller Interest will be:

(i) paid to the holder of the Seller Interest if, and only to the extent that, the Seller Interest is greater than the Minimum Seller Interest; or

(ii) deposited in the principal account and treated as unallocated principal collections;

(b) an amount equal to the applicable Investor Percentage of the aggregate amount of such deposits in respect of finance charge receivables will be deposited into the finance charge account for allocation and distribution as described in the accompanying prospectus supplement;

(c) during the revolving period, an amount equal to the applicable Investor Percentage of the aggregate amount of such deposits in respect of principal receivables will be paid or held for payment to the holder of the Seller Interest, subject to the limitations described in paragraph (a) above;

(d) during the controlled amortization period, the controlled accumulation period or the rapid accumulation period, as applicable, an amount equal to the applicable Investor Percentage of such deposits in respect of principal receivables up to the amount, if any, as specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement will be deposited in the principal account or principal funding account, as applicable, for allocation and distribution to certificateholders as described in the accompanying prospectus supplement, provided that if collections of principal receivables exceed the principal payments which may be allocated or distributed to certificateholders, the amount of such excess will be paid to the holder of the Seller Interest, subject to the limitations described in paragraph (a) above; and

(e) during the principal amortization period, if applicable, and the rapid amortization period, an amount equal to the applicable Investor

Percentage of such deposits in respect of principal receivables will be deposited into the principal account for application and distribution as provided in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

In the case of a series of certificates having more than one class, the amounts in the collection account will be allocated and applied to each class in the manner and order of priority described in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

Any amounts collected in respect of principal receivables and not paid to the seller because the Seller Interest is less than the Minimum Seller Interest as described in paragraph (a) above, called "unallocated principal collections" together with any adjustment payments as described below, will be paid to and held in the principal account and paid to the holder of the Seller Interest if, and only to the extent that, the Seller Interest is greater than the Minimum Seller Interest. If an amortization period or an accumulation period has commenced, unallocated principal collections will be held for distribution to the certificateholders on the dates specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement or accumulated for distribution on the scheduled payment date, as applicable, and distributed to the certificateholders of each class or held for and distributed to the certificateholders of other series of certificates issued by the trust in the manner and order of priority specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

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#### Shared Excess Finance Charge Collections

Any series offered hereby may be included in a group of series, called a "group." If so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, the certificateholders of a series within a group or any class thereof may be entitled to receive all or a portion of excess finance charge collections with respect to another series within such group or class thereof to cover any shortfalls with respect to amounts payable from collections of finance charge receivables allocable to such series or class. "Excess finance charge collections" for any monthly period will equal the excess of collections of finance charge receivables, annual membership fees and certain other amounts allocated to the Investor Interest of such series or class over the sum of:

- (a) interest accrued for the current month, called "monthly interest," and overdue monthly interest on the certificates of such series or class (which, together with any interest on overdue monthly interest at the rate specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement is called "additional interest");
- (b) accrued and unpaid investor servicing fees with respect to such series or class payable from collections of finance charge receivables;
- (c) the Investor Default Amount with respect to such series or class;
- (d) unreimbursed Investor Charge-Offs with respect to such series or class; and
- (e) other amounts specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

The term "Investor Servicing Fee" for any series of certificates or class thereof means the servicing fee allocable to the Investor Interest with respect to such series or class, as specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement. The term "Investor Default Amount" means, for any monthly period and for any series or class thereof, the aggregate amount of the investor percentage of principal receivables in defaulted accounts. The term "Investor Charge-Off" means, for any monthly period, and for any series or class thereof, the amount by which:

- (a) the related monthly interest and overdue monthly interest (together with, if applicable, additional interest), the accrued and unpaid Investor Servicing Fees payable from collections of finance charge receivables, the Investor Default Amount and any other required fees exceeds
- (b) amounts available to pay such amounts out of collections of finance charge receivables, available credit enhancement amounts, if any, and other sources specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, but not more than such Investor Default Amount.

See "Description of the Certificates--Application of Collections," "--Shared Excess Finance Charge Collections," "--Defaulted Receivables; Rebates and Fraudulent Charges; Investor Charge-Offs" and "Credit Enhancement" in this prospectus.

#### Shared Principal Collections

If so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, to the extent that collections of principal receivables and certain other amounts that are allocated to the Investor Interest of any series are not needed to make

payments or deposits with respect to such series, such collections, called "shared principal collections," will be applied to cover principal payments due to or for the benefit of certificateholders of other series. If so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, the allocation of shared principal collections may be among series within a group. Any such reallocation will not result in a reduction in the Investor Interest of the series to which such collections were initially allocated.

#### Defaulted Receivables; Rebates and Fraudulent Charges; Investor Charge-Offs

For each series of certificates, on the fourth business day preceding each transfer date, called the "determination date," the servicer will calculate the aggregate Investor Default Amount for the preceding monthly period, which will be equal to the aggregate amount of the investor percentage of principal receivables in defaulted accounts; that is, accounts which in such monthly period were written off as uncollectible in

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accordance with the servicer's policies and procedures for servicing credit card receivables, comparable to the receivables in the trust. In the case of a series of certificates having more than one class, the Investor Default Amount will be allocated among the classes in the manner described in the accompanying prospectus supplement. If so provided in the accompanying prospectus supplement, an amount equal to the Investor Default Amount for any monthly period may be paid from other amounts, including collections in the finance charge account or from credit enhancement, and applied to pay principal to certificateholders or, subject to certain limitations, the holder of the Seller Interest, as appropriate. In the case of a series of certificates having one or more classes of subordinated certificates, the accompanying prospectus supplement may provide that all or a portion of amounts otherwise allocable to such subordinated certificates may be paid to the holders of the senior certificates to make up any Investor Default Amount allocable to such holders of senior certificates.

With respect to each series of certificates, the Investor Interest with respect to such series will be reduced by the amount of Investor Charge-Offs for any monthly period. Investor Charge-Offs will be reimbursed on any distribution date to the extent amounts on deposit in the finance charge account and otherwise available therefor exceed such interest, fees and any aggregate Investor Default Amount payable on such date. Such reimbursement of Investor Charge-Offs will result in an increase in the Investor Interest with respect to such series. In the case of a series of certificates having more than one class, the accompanying prospectus supplement will describe the manner and priority of allocating Investor Charge-Offs and reimbursements thereof among the Investor Interests of the several classes.

If the servicer adjusts the amount of any principal receivable because of transactions occurring in respect of a rebate or refund to a cardholder, or because such principal receivable was created in respect of merchandise which was refused or returned by a cardholder, then the Seller Interest will be reduced, on a net basis, by the amount of the adjustment. In addition, the Seller Interest will be reduced, on a net basis, as a result of transactions in respect of any principal receivable which was discovered as having been created through a fraudulent or counterfeit charge.

#### Defeasance

If so specified in the prospectus supplement relating to a series, the seller may terminate its substantive obligations in respect of such series or the trust by depositing with the trustee, from amounts representing, or acquired with, collections of receivables, money or Permitted Investments sufficient to make all remaining scheduled interest and principal payments on such series or all outstanding series of certificates of the trust, as the case may be, on the dates scheduled for such payments and to pay all amounts owing to any credit enhancement provider with respect to such series or all outstanding series, as the case may be, if such action would not result in a Pay Out Event for any series. Prior to its first exercise of its right to substitute money or Permitted Investments for receivables, the seller will deliver to the trustee:

(i) an opinion of counsel to the effect that such deposit and termination of obligations will not result in the trust being required to register as an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended; and

(ii) a Tax Opinion.

#### Final Payment of Principal; Termination

The certificates of a series will be subject to optional repurchase by the seller on any distribution date after the total Investor Interest of such series and the Enhancement Invested Amount, if any, with respect to such series, is reduced to an amount less than or equal to 5% of the initial Investor Interest, if certain conditions set forth in the master agreement are met. The repurchase price will be equal to the total Investor Interest of such

series (less the amount, if any, on deposit in any principal funding account with respect to such series), plus the Enhancement Invested Amount, if any, with respect to such series, plus accrued and unpaid interest on the certificates and interest or other amounts payable on the Enhancement Invested Amount or the Collateral Interest, if any, through the day preceding the distribution date on which the repurchase occurs.

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The certificates of each series will be retired on the day following the date on which the final payment of principal is scheduled to be made to the certificateholders, whether as a result of optional reassignment to the seller or otherwise. Each prospectus supplement will specify the series termination date with respect to the related series of certificates. If the Investor Interest is greater than zero on the series termination date, the trustee or servicer may be required to sell or cause to be sold certain receivables in the manner provided in the master agreement and series supplement and to pay the net proceeds of such sale and any collections on the receivables, in an amount at least equal to the sum of the Investor Interest and the Enhancement Invested Amount, if any, with respect to such series plus accrued interest due thereon.

Unless the servicer and the holder of the Seller Interest instruct the trustee otherwise, the trust will terminate on the date (the "Trust Termination Date") which is the earliest of:

(a) the day after the distribution date on which the aggregate Investor Interest and Enhancement Invested Amount or Collateral Interest, if any, with respect to each series outstanding is zero;

(b) December 31, 2024; or

(c) if the receivables are sold, disposed of or liquidated following the occurrence of an event of insolvency or receivership of the seller, immediately following such sale, disposition or liquidation.

Upon the termination of the trust and the surrender of the Seller Interest, the trustee shall convey to the holder of the Seller Interest all right, title and interest of the trust in and to the receivables and other funds of the trust.

#### Pay Out Events

Unless otherwise specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, as described above, the revolving period will continue through the date specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement unless a Pay Out Event occurs prior to such date. A "Pay Out Event" occurs with respect to all series issued by the trust upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

(a) certain events of insolvency or receivership relating to the seller;

(b) the seller is unable for any reason to transfer receivables to the trust in accordance with the provisions of the master agreement; or

(c) the trust becomes an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

In addition, a Pay Out Event may occur with respect to any series upon the occurrence of any other event specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement. On the date on which a Pay Out Event is deemed to have occurred, the rapid amortization period or, if so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, the rapid accumulation period will commence. If, because of the occurrence of a Pay Out Event, the rapid amortization period begins earlier than the scheduled commencement of an amortization period or prior to a scheduled payment date, certificateholders will begin receiving distributions of principal earlier than they otherwise would have, which may shorten the average life of the certificates.

In addition to the consequences of a Pay Out Event discussed above, if pursuant to certain provisions of federal law, the seller voluntarily enters liquidation or a receiver is appointed for the seller, on the day of such event the seller will immediately cease to transfer principal receivables to the trust and promptly give notice to the trustee of such event. Within 15 days, the trustee will publish a notice of the liquidation or the appointment stating that the trustee intends to sell, dispose of, or otherwise liquidate the receivables in the trust in a commercially reasonable manner. Unless otherwise instructed within a specified period by certificateholders representing interests aggregating more than 50% of the Investor Interest of each series (or if any series has more than one class, of each class, and any other person specified in the master agreement or a series supplement) issued and outstanding, the trustee will sell, dispose of, or otherwise liquidate the receivables in the trust in a commercially reasonable manner and on commercially reasonable terms. The proceeds from the

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sale, disposition or liquidation of such receivables will be treated as collections of the receivables and applied as specified above in "--Application of Collections" and in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

If the only Pay Out Event to occur is either the insolvency of the seller or the appointment of a conservator or receiver for the seller, the conservator or receiver may have the power to prevent the early sale, liquidation or disposition of the receivables in the trust and the commencement of a rapid amortization period or, if applicable with respect to a series as specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, a rapid accumulation period. In addition, a conservator or receiver may have the power to cause the early sale of the receivables in the trust and the early retirement of the certificates. See "Risk Factors" in this prospectus.

#### Servicing Compensation and Payment of Expenses

The servicer's compensation for its servicing activities and reimbursement for its expenses will take the form of the payment to it of the servicing fee payable at the times and in the amounts specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement. The Investor Servicing Fee will be funded from collections of finance charge receivables allocated to the Investor Interest and will be paid each month, or on such other specified periodic basis, from amounts so allocated and on deposit in the finance charge account (which, if so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, may include all or a portion of the interchange arising from the accounts) or, in certain limited circumstances, from amounts available from enhancement and other sources, if any. The remainder of the servicing fee for the trust will be allocable to the Seller Interest, the Investor Interests of any other series issued by the trust and the interest represented by the Enhancement Invested Amount or the Collateral Interest, if any, with respect to such series, as described in the accompanying prospectus supplement. Neither the trust nor the certificateholders will have any obligation to pay the portion of the servicing fee allocable to the Seller Interest.

The servicer will pay from its servicing compensation certain expenses incurred in connection with servicing the receivables including, without limitation, payment of the fees and disbursements of the trustee and independent certified public accountants and other fees which are not expressly stated in the master agreement to be payable by the trust or the certificateholders other than any tax imposed on or measured by income, including any federal, state and local income and franchise taxes, if any, of the trust or the certificateholders.

#### Certain Matters Regarding the Seller and the Servicer

The servicer may not resign from its obligations and duties under the master agreement, except upon determination that performance of its duties is no longer permissible under applicable law. No such resignation will become effective until the trustee or a successor to the servicer has assumed the servicer's responsibilities and obligations under the master agreement. MBNA, as initial servicer, intends to delegate some of its servicing duties to MBNA Hallmark; however, such delegation will not relieve it of its obligation to perform such duties in accordance with the master agreement.

The master agreement provides that the servicer will indemnify the trust and trustee from and against any loss, liability, expense, damage or injury suffered or sustained by reason of any acts or omissions or alleged acts or omissions of the servicer with respect to the activities of the trust or the trustee. The servicer, however, will not indemnify:

(a) the trustee for liabilities imposed by reason of fraud, negligence, or willful misconduct by the trustee in the performance of its duties under the master agreement;

(b) the trust, the certificateholders or the certificate owners for liabilities arising from actions taken by the trustee at the request of certificateholders;

(c) the trust, the certificateholders or the certificate owners for any losses, claims, damages or liabilities incurred by any of them in their capacities as investors, including without limitation, losses incurred as a result of defaulted receivables or receivables which are written off as uncollectible; or

(d) the trust, the certificateholders or the certificate owners for any liabilities, costs or expenses of the trust, the certificateholders or the certificate owners arising under any tax law, including without limitation, any federal, state or local income or franchise tax or any other tax imposed on or measured by income (or any interest or penalties with respect thereto or arising from a failure to comply therewith) required to be paid by the trust, the certificateholders or the certificate owners in connection with the master agreement to any taxing authority.

In addition, the master agreement provides that, subject to certain exceptions, the seller will indemnify an injured party for any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (other than those incurred by a certificateholder as an investor in the certificates or those which arise from any action of a certificateholder) arising out of or based upon the arrangement created by the master agreement as though the master agreement created a partnership under the Delaware Uniform Partnership Law in which the seller is a general partner.

Neither the seller, the servicer nor any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents will be under any other liability to the trust, trustee, certificateholders or any other person for any action taken, or for refraining from taking any action, in good faith pursuant to the master agreement. Neither the seller, the servicer nor any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents will be protected against any liability which would otherwise be imposed by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence of the seller, the servicer or any such person in the performance of its duties or by reason of reckless disregard of obligations and duties thereunder. In addition, the master agreement provides that the servicer is not under any obligation to appear in, prosecute or defend any legal action which is not incidental to its servicing responsibilities under the master agreement and which in its opinion may expose it to any expense or liability.

The seller may transfer its interest in all or a portion of the Seller Interest, provided that prior to any such transfer:

(a) the trustee receives written notification from each rating agency that such transfer will not result in a lowering of its then-existing rating of the certificates of each outstanding series rated by it; and

(b) the trustee receives a written opinion of counsel confirming that such transfer would not adversely affect the treatment of the certificates of each outstanding series as debt for federal income tax purposes.

Any person into which, in accordance with the master agreement, the seller or the servicer may be merged or consolidated or any person resulting from any merger or consolidation to which the seller or the servicer is a party, or any person succeeding to the business of the seller or the servicer, upon execution of a supplement to the master agreement, delivery of an opinion of counsel with respect to the compliance of the transaction with the applicable provisions of the master agreement, will be the successor to the seller or the servicer, as the case may be, under the master agreement.

#### Servicer Default

In the event of any Servicer Default (as defined below), either the trustee or certificateholders representing interests aggregating more than 50% of the Investor Interests for all series of certificates of the trust, by written notice to the servicer (and to the trustee if given by the certificateholders), may terminate all of the rights and obligations of the servicer under the master agreement and the trustee may appoint a new servicer, called a "service transfer." The rights and interest of the seller under the master agreement and in the Seller Interest will not be affected by such termination. The trustee shall as promptly as possible appoint a successor servicer. If no such servicer has been appointed and has accepted such appointment by the time the servicer ceases to act as servicer, all authority, power and obligations of the servicer under the master agreement will pass to the trustee. If the trustee is unable to obtain any bids from eligible servicers and the servicer delivers an officer's certificate to the effect that it cannot in good faith cure the Servicer Default which gave rise to a transfer of servicing, and if the trustee is legally unable to act as successor servicer, then the trustee shall give the seller the right of first refusal to purchase the receivables on terms equivalent to the best purchase offer as determined by the trustee.

"Servicer Default" under the master agreement refers to any of the following events:

(a) failure by the servicer to make any payment, transfer or deposit, or to give instructions to the trustee to make certain payments, transfers or deposits, on the date the servicer is required to do so under the master agreement or any series supplement (or within the applicable grace period, which shall not exceed 10 business days);

(b) failure on the part of the servicer duly to observe or perform in any respect any other covenants or agreements of the servicer which has a material adverse effect on the certificateholders of any series issued and outstanding under the trust and which continues unremedied for a period of 60 days after written notice and continues to have a material adverse effect on such certificateholders; or the delegation by the servicer of its duties under the master agreement, except as specifically permitted thereunder;

(c) any representation, warranty or certification made by the servicer in the master agreement, or in any certificate delivered pursuant to the master agreement, proves to have been incorrect when made which has a material adverse effect on the certificateholders of any series issued and outstanding under the trust, and which continues to be incorrect in any material respect for a period of 60 days after written notice and continues to have a material adverse effect on such certificateholders;

(d) the occurrence of certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency, conservatorship or receivership of the servicer; or

(e) such other event specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

Unless otherwise stated in the accompanying prospectus supplement, notwithstanding the foregoing, a delay in or failure of performance referred to in clause (a) above for a period of 10 business days, or referred to under clause (b) or (c) for a period of 60 business days, will not constitute a Servicer Default if such delay or failure could not be prevented by the exercise of reasonable diligence by the servicer and such delay or failure was caused by an act of God or other similar occurrence. Upon the occurrence of any such event, the servicer shall not be relieved from using its best efforts to perform its obligations in a timely manner in accordance with the terms of the master agreement. The servicer is required to provide the trustee, any provider of enhancement and/or any issuer of any third-party credit enhancement, the seller and the holders of certificates of each series issued and outstanding under the trust prompt notice of such failure or delay by it, together with a description of the cause of such failure or delay and its efforts to perform its obligations.

In the event of a Servicer Default, if a conservator or receiver is appointed for the servicer and no Servicer Default other than such conservatorship or receivership or the insolvency of the servicer exists, the conservator or receiver may have the power to prevent either the trustee or the majority of the certificateholders from effecting a service transfer.

#### Reports to Certificateholders

On each distribution date, or as soon thereafter as is practicable, as specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, the paying agent will forward to each certificateholder of record a statement prepared by the servicer setting forth, among other things:

(a) the total amount distributed;

(b) the amount of the distribution on such distribution date allocable to principal on the certificates;

(c) the amount of such distribution allocable to interest on the certificates;

(d) the amount of collections of principal receivables processed during the preceding month or months since the last distribution date and allocated in respect of the certificates;

(e) the aggregate amount of principal receivables in the trust, the Investor Interest and the Investor Interest as a percentage of the aggregate amount of the principal receivables in the trust as of the end of the last day of the preceding monthly period or periods since the last distribution date;

(f) the aggregate outstanding balance of accounts which are 30 or more days delinquent by class of delinquency as of the end of the last day of the preceding monthly period or periods since the last distribution date;

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(g) the aggregate Investor Default Amount for the preceding monthly period or periods since the last distribution date;

(h) the amount of Investor Charge-Offs for the preceding monthly period or periods since the last distribution date and the amount of reimbursements of previous Investor Charge-Offs for the preceding monthly period or periods since the last distribution date;

(i) the amount of the Investor Servicing Fee for the preceding monthly period or periods since the last distribution date;

(j) the amount available under any enhancement and credit enhancement, if any, as of the close of business on such distribution date;

(k) the "pool factor" as of the close of business on the last day of the preceding monthly period (consisting of a seven-digit decimal expressing the ratio of the Investor Interest to the initial Investor Interest);

(l) the aggregate amount of collections on finance charge receivables and annual membership fees processed during the preceding monthly period or periods since the last distribution date;

(m) the Portfolio Yield (defined in the accompanying prospectus supplement) for the preceding monthly period or periods since the last distribution date; and

(n) certain information relating to the floating or variable certificate rates, if applicable, for the monthly period or periods ending on such distribution date.

In the case of a series of certificates having more than one class, the statements forwarded to certificateholders will provide information as to each class of certificates, as appropriate.

On or before January 31 of each calendar year or such other date as specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, the paying agent will furnish to each person who at any time during the preceding calendar year was a certificateholder of record, a statement prepared by the servicer containing the information required to be contained in the regular monthly report to certificateholders, as set forth in clauses (a), (b) and (c) above aggregated for such calendar year or the applicable portion thereof during which such person was a certificateholder, together with such other customary information (consistent with the treatment of the certificates as debt) as the trustee or the servicer deems necessary or desirable to enable the certificateholders to prepare their United States tax returns.

#### Evidence as to Compliance

On or before August 31 of each calendar year, or such other date as specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, the servicer is required to cause a firm of independent certified public accountants to furnish a report, based upon established criteria that meets the standards applicable to accountants' reports intended for general distribution, attesting to the fairness of the assertion of the servicer's management that its internal controls over the functions performed as servicer of the trust are effective, in all material respects, in providing reasonable assurance that trust assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, on the date of such report, and that such servicing was conducted in compliance with the sections of the master agreement during the period covered by such report (which shall be the period from July 1 (or for the initial period, the relevant closing date) of the preceding calendar year to and including June 30 of such calendar year), except for such exceptions or errors as such firm believes to be immaterial and such other exceptions as shall be set forth in such statement.

The servicer is also required to provide an annual statement signed by an officer of the servicer to the effect that the servicer has fully performed its obligations under the master agreement throughout the preceding year, or, if there has been a default in the performance of any such obligation, specifying the nature and status of the default.

#### Amendments

The master agreement and any series supplement may be amended by the seller, the servicer and the trustee, without the consent of certificateholders of any series then outstanding, for any purpose, so long as:

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(a) the seller delivers an opinion of counsel acceptable to the trustee to the effect that such amendment will not adversely affect in any material respect the interest of such certificateholders; and

(b) such amendment will not result in a withdrawal or reduction of the rating of any outstanding series under the trust.

The master agreement and any related series supplement may be amended by the seller, the servicer and the trustee, without the consent of the certificateholders of any series then outstanding, to provide for additional enhancement or substitute enhancement with respect to a series, to change the definition of Eligible Account or to provide for the addition to the trust of a participation, so long as:

(a) the seller delivers to the trustee a certificate of an authorized officer to the effect that, in the reasonable belief of the seller, such amendment will not as of the date of such amendment adversely affect in any material respect the interest of such certificateholders; and

(b) such amendment will not result in a withdrawal or reduction of the rating of any outstanding series under the trust.

The master agreement and the related series supplement may be amended by the seller, the servicer and the trustee with the consent of the holders of certificates evidencing interests aggregating not less than 66 2/3% (or such

other percentage specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement) of the Investor Interests for all series of the trust, for the purpose of adding any provisions to, changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of the master agreement or the related series supplement or of modifying in any manner the rights of certificateholders of any outstanding series of the trust. No such amendment, however, may:

(a) reduce in any manner the amount of, or delay the timing of, distributions required to be made on the related series or any series;

(b) change the definition of or the manner of calculating the interest of any certificateholder of such series or any certificateholder of any other series issued by the trust; or

(c) reduce the aforesaid percentage of interests the holders of which are required to consent to any such amendment, in each case without the consent of all certificateholders of the related series and certificateholders of all series adversely affected.

Promptly following the execution of any amendment to the master agreement, the trustee will furnish written notice of the substance of such amendment to each certificateholder. Any series supplement and any amendments regarding the addition or removal of receivables from the trust will not be considered an amendment requiring certificateholder consent under the provisions of the master agreement and any series supplement.

#### List of Certificateholders

Upon written request of certificateholders of record representing interests in the trust aggregating not less than 10% (or such other percentage specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement) of the Investor Interest of a series, the trustee after having been adequately indemnified by such certificateholders for its costs and expenses, and having given the servicer notice that such request has been made, will afford such certificateholders access during business hours to the current list of certificateholders of the trust for purposes of communicating with other certificateholders with respect to their rights under the master agreement.

#### The Trustee

The Bank of New York is the trustee under the master agreement. The seller, the servicer and their respective affiliates may from time to time enter into normal banking and trustee relationships with the trustee and its affiliates. The trustee, the seller, the servicer and any of their respective affiliates may hold certificates in their own names. For purposes of meeting the legal requirements of certain local jurisdictions, the trustee shall have the power to appoint a co-trustee or separate trustees of all or any part of the trust. In the event of

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such appointment, all rights, powers, duties and obligations conferred or imposed upon the trustee by the master agreement will be conferred or imposed upon the trustee and such separate trustee or co-trustee jointly, or, in any jurisdiction in which the trustee shall be incompetent or unqualified to perform certain acts, singly upon such separate trustee or co-trustee who shall exercise and perform such rights, powers, duties and obligations solely at the direction of the trustee.

The trustee may resign at any time, in which event the seller will be obligated to appoint a successor trustee. The seller may also remove the trustee if the trustee ceases to be eligible to continue as such under the master agreement or if the trustee becomes insolvent. In such circumstances, the seller will be obligated to appoint a successor trustee. Any resignation or removal of the trustee and appointment of a successor trustee does not become effective until acceptance of the appointment by the successor trustee.

#### Certificateholders Have Limited Control of Actions

Certificateholders of any series or class within a series may need the consent or approval of a specified percentage of the Investor Interest of other series or a class of such other series to take or direct certain actions, including to require the appointment of a successor servicer after a Servicer Default, to amend the master agreement in some cases, and to direct a repurchase of all outstanding series after certain violations of the seller's representations and warranties. The interests of the certificateholders of any such series may not coincide with yours, making it more difficult for any particular certificateholder to achieve the desired results from such vote.

#### Credit Enhancement

##### General

For any series, credit enhancement may be provided with respect to one or more classes thereof. Credit enhancement may be in the form of the

subordination of one or more classes of the certificates of such series, a letter of credit, the establishment of a cash collateral guaranty or account, a collateral interest, a surety bond, an insurance policy, a spread account, a reserve account, the use of cross support features or another method of credit enhancement described in the accompanying prospectus supplement, or any combination of the foregoing. If so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, any form of credit enhancement may be structured so as to be drawn upon by more than one class to the extent described in that accompanying prospectus supplement.

The credit enhancement will not provide protection against all risks of loss and will not guarantee repayment of the entire principal balance of the certificates and interest thereon. If losses occur which exceed the amount covered by the credit enhancement or which are not covered by the credit enhancement, certificateholders will bear their allocable share of deficiencies.

If credit enhancement is provided with respect to a series, the accompanying prospectus supplement will include a description of:

- (a) the amount payable under such credit enhancement;
- (b) any conditions to payment thereunder not otherwise described herein;
- (c) the conditions (if any) under which the amount payable under such credit enhancement may be reduced and under which such credit enhancement may be terminated or replaced; and
- (d) any material provision of any agreement relating to such credit enhancement.

Additionally, the accompanying prospectus supplement may set forth certain information with respect to any credit enhancement provider, including:

- (a) a brief description of its principal business activities;

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- (b) its principal place of business, place of incorporation and the jurisdiction under which it is chartered or licensed to do business;

- (c) if applicable, the identity of regulatory agencies which exercise primary jurisdiction over the conduct of its business; and

- (d) its total assets, and its stockholders' or policy holders' surplus, if applicable, and other appropriate financial information as of the date specified in the prospectus supplement.

If so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, credit enhancement with respect to a series may be available to pay principal of the certificates of such series following the occurrence of certain Pay Out Events with respect to such series. In such event, the credit enhancement provider will have an interest in certain cash flows in respect of the receivables in the trust to the extent described in such prospectus supplement, called the "Enhancement Invested Amount."

#### Subordination

One or more classes of any series may be subordinated to the extent necessary to fund payments with respect to one or more senior classes. The rights of the holders of any subordinated certificates to receive distributions of principal and/or interest on any distribution date will be subordinate in right and priority to the rights of the holders of senior certificates, but only to the extent set forth in the related prospectus supplement. If so specified in the related prospectus supplement, subordination may apply only in the event of certain types of losses not covered by another credit enhancement. The related prospectus supplement will set forth information concerning the amount of subordination of a class or classes of subordinated certificates in a series, the circumstances in which such subordination will be applicable, the manner, if any, in which the amount of subordination will decrease over time, and the conditions under which amounts available from payments that would otherwise be made to holders of such subordinated certificates will be distributed to holders of senior certificates. If collections of receivables otherwise distributable to holders of a subordinated class of a series will be used as support for a class of another series, the accompanying prospectus supplement will specify the manner and conditions for applying such a cross-support feature.

#### Letter of Credit

Support for a series or one or more classes thereof, may be provided by one or more letters of credit. A letter of credit may provide limited protection against certain losses in addition to or in lieu of other credit enhancement. The issuer of the letter of credit will be obligated to honor demands with

respect to such letter of credit, to the extent of the amount available thereunder, to provide funds under the circumstances and subject to such conditions as are specified in the related prospectus supplement.

The maximum liability of the issuer of a letter of credit will generally be an amount equal to a percentage specified in the related prospectus supplement of the initial Investor Interest of a series or a class of such series. The maximum amount available at any time to be paid under a letter of credit will be determined in the manner specified therein and in the related prospectus supplement.

#### Cash Collateral Guaranty or Account

Support for a series or one or more classes thereof may be provided by a guaranty secured by the deposit of cash or certain Permitted Investments in a cash collateral account reserved for the beneficiaries of the cash collateral guaranty or by a cash collateral account alone. The amount available pursuant to the cash collateral guaranty or the cash collateral account will be the lesser of amounts on deposit in the cash collateral account and an amount specified in the related prospectus supplement. The related prospectus supplement will set forth the circumstances under which payments are made to beneficiaries of the cash collateral guaranty from the cash collateral account or from the cash collateral account directly.

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#### Collateral Interest

Support for a series or one or more classes thereof may be provided initially by an interest in the trust, called the "Collateral Interest," in an amount specified in the related prospectus supplement. Such series may also have the benefit of a cash collateral guaranty or cash collateral account with an initial amount on deposit therein, if any, as specified in the related prospectus supplement which will be increased:

(a) to the extent the seller elects, subject to certain conditions specified in the related prospectus supplement, to apply collections of principal receivables allocable to the Collateral Interest to decrease the Collateral Interest;

(b) to the extent collections of principal receivables allocable to the Collateral Interest are required to be deposited into the cash collateral account as specified in the related prospectus supplement; and

(c) to the extent excess collections of finance charge receivables are required to be deposited into the cash collateral account as specified in the related prospectus supplement.

The total amount of the credit enhancement available pursuant to the Collateral Interest and, if applicable, the cash collateral guaranty or cash collateral account will be the lesser of the sum of the Collateral Interest and the amount on deposit in the cash collateral account and an amount specified in the related prospectus supplement. The related prospectus supplement will set forth the circumstances under which payments which otherwise would be made to holders of the Collateral Interest will be distributed to holders of certificates and, if applicable, the circumstances under which payment will be made under the cash collateral guaranty or under the cash collateral account.

#### Surety Bond or Insurance Policy

Insurance with respect to a series or one or more classes thereof may be provided by one or more insurance companies. Such insurance will guarantee, with respect to one or more classes of the related series, distributions of interest or principal in the manner and amount specified in the related prospectus supplement.

A surety bond may be purchased for the benefit of the holders of any series or class or such series to assure distributions of interest or principal with respect to such series or class of certificates in the manner and amount specified in the related prospectus supplement.

#### Spread Account

Support for a series or one or more classes thereof may be provided by the periodic deposit of certain available excess cash flow from the trust assets into a spread account intended to assist with subsequent distribution of interest and principal on the certificates of such class or series in the manner specified in the related prospectus supplement.

#### Reserve Account

Support for a series or one or more classes thereof or any enhancement related thereto may be provided by the establishment of a reserve account. The reserve account may be funded, to the extent provided in the related prospectus supplement, by an initial cash deposit, the retention of certain periodic

distributions of principal or interest or both otherwise payable to one or more classes of certificates, including the subordinated certificates, or the provision of a letter of credit, guarantee, insurance policy or other form of credit or any combination thereof. The reserve account will be established to assist with the subsequent distribution of principal or interest on the certificates of such series or class thereof or such other amount owing on any enhancement thereto in the manner provided in the related prospectus supplement.

#### Certificate Ratings

Any rating of the certificates by a rating agency will indicate:

- . its view on the likelihood that certificateholders will receive required interest and principal payments; and

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- . its evaluation of the receivables in the trust and the availability of any credit enhancement for the certificates.

Among the things a rating will not indicate are:

- .the likelihood that interest or principal payments will be paid on a scheduled date;
- .the likelihood that a Pay Out Event will occur;
- .the likelihood that a United States withholding tax will be imposed on non-U.S. certificateholders;
- .the marketability of the certificates;
- .the market price of the certificates; or
- .whether the certificates are an appropriate investment for any purchaser.

A rating will not be a recommendation to buy, sell or hold the certificates. A rating may be lowered or withdrawn at any time by a rating agency.

The seller will request a rating of the certificates offered by this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement from at least one nationally recognized rating organization. Rating organizations other than those requested could assign a rating to the certificates and such a rating could be lower than any rating assigned by a rating agency chosen by the seller.

#### Certain Legal Aspects of the Receivables

##### Transfer of Receivables

The seller has represented and warranted in the master agreement that the transfer of receivables by it to the trust is either: an absolute transfer and assignment to the trust of all right, title and interest of the seller in and to the related receivables, except for the interest of the seller as holder of the Seller Interest, or the grant to the trust of a security interest in such receivables.

The seller also has represented and warranted that, in the event the transfer of receivables by the seller to the trust is deemed to create a security interest under the Uniform Commercial Code, as in effect in the State of Delaware, there will exist an enforceable first priority perfected security interest in the receivables in favor of the trust, except for certain tax and other governmental liens and other nonconsensual liens. For a discussion of the trust's rights arising from a breach of these warranties, see "Description of the Certificates--Representations and Warranties" in this prospectus.

The seller has represented as to previously conveyed receivables to the trust, and will represent as to receivables to be conveyed to the trust, that the receivables are "accounts" for purposes of the Delaware UCC. Both the transfer and assignment of accounts and the transfer of accounts as security for an obligation are treated under Article 9 of the Delaware UCC as creating a security interest therein and are subject to its provisions, and the filing of an appropriate financing statement is required to perfect the security interest of the trust. Financing statements covering the receivables have been and will be filed with the appropriate state governmental authority to protect the interests of the trust in the receivables.

There are certain limited circumstances in which a prior or subsequent transferee of receivables coming into existence after the closing date could have an interest in such receivables with priority over the trust's interest. Under the master agreement, however, the seller has represented and warranted that it transferred the seller's interest in the receivables to the trust free and clear of the lien of any third party. In addition, the seller has covenanted and will covenant that it will not sell, pledge, assign, transfer or



grant any lien on any receivable in the trust (or any interest therein) other than to the trust.

A tax or government lien or other nonconsensual lien on property of the seller arising prior to the time a receivable comes into existence may also have priority over the interest of the trust in such receivable. In addition, if the FDIC were appointed as conservator or receiver of the seller, certain administrative expenses of the conservator or receiver may also have priority over the interest of the trust in such receivable.

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#### Certain Matters Relating to Conservatorship or Receivership

The seller is chartered as a national banking association and is regulated and supervised by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, which is authorized to appoint the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation as conservator or receiver for the seller if certain events occur relating to the seller's financial condition or the propriety of its actions. In addition, the FDIC could appoint itself as conservator or receiver for the seller.

Although the seller will treat its transfer of the receivables to the trust as a sale for accounting purposes, the transfer may constitute the grant of a security interest under general applicable law. Nevertheless, the FDIC has issued regulations surrendering certain rights under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, as amended by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989, to reclaim, recover, or recharacterize a bank's transfer of financial assets such as the receivables if (i) the transfer involved a securitization of the financial assets and meets specified conditions for treatment as a sale under relevant accounting principles, (ii) the bank received adequate consideration for the transfer, (iii) the parties intended that the transfer constitute a sale for accounting purposes, and (iv) the financial assets were not transferred fraudulently, in contemplation of the bank's insolvency, or with the intent to hinder, delay, or defraud the bank or its creditors. The master agreement and the transfer of the receivables by the seller to the trust are intended to satisfy all of these conditions.

If a condition required under the FDIC's regulations were found not to have been met, however, the FDIC could reclaim, recover, or recharacterize the seller's transfer of the receivables. FDIC staff positions taken prior to the passage of the 1989 amendment to the FDIA do not suggest that the FDIC would interrupt the timely transfer to the trust of payments collected on the receivables. If the FDIC were to assert a different position, the FDIA would limit the trust's damages in this event to its "actual direct compensatory damages" determined as of the date that the FDIC was appointed as conservator or receiver for the seller. The FDIC, moreover, could delay its decision whether to reclaim, recover, or recharacterize the seller's transfer of the receivables for a reasonable period following its appointment as conservator or receiver for the seller. Therefore, if the FDIC were to reclaim, recover, or recharacterize the seller's transfer of the receivables, payments to certificateholders could be delayed or reduced.

Even if the conditions set forth in the regulations were satisfied and the FDIC did not reclaim, recover, or recharacterize the seller's transfer of the receivables, certificateholders could suffer a loss on their investment if (i) the master agreement or the seller's transfer of the receivables were found to violate the regulatory requirements of the FDIA, (ii) the trustee were required to comply with the claims process established under the FDIA in order to collect payments on the receivables, (iii) the FDIC were to request a stay of any action by the trust or the trustee to enforce the master agreement or the certificates, or (iv) the FDIC were to repudiate other parts of the master agreement, such as any obligation to collect payments on or otherwise service the receivables.

In addition, regardless of the terms of the master agreement or the instructions of those authorized to direct the trustee's actions, the FDIC may have the power (i) to prevent or require the commencement of a rapid amortization period or rapid accumulation period, (ii) to prevent, limit, or require the early liquidation of the receivables and termination of the trust, or (iii) to require, prohibit, or limit the continued transfer of receivables to the trust. The FDIC, moreover, could prevent the trustee or the certificateholders from appointing a successor servicer under the master agreement. If any of these events were to occur, payments to certificateholders could be delayed or reduced.

#### Consumer Protection Laws

The relationships of the cardholder and credit card issuer and the lender are extensively regulated by federal and state consumer protection laws. With respect to credit cards issued by the seller, the most

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significant laws include the federal Truth-in-Lending, Equal Credit

Opportunity, Fair Credit Reporting, Fair Debt Collection Practice and Electronic Funds Transfer Acts. These statutes impose disclosure requirements when a credit card account is advertised, when it is opened, at the end of monthly billing cycles, and at year end. In addition, these statutes limit customer liability for unauthorized use, prohibit certain discriminatory practices in extending credit, and impose certain limitations on the type of account-related charges that may be assessed. Cardholders are entitled under these laws to have payments and credits applied to the credit card accounts promptly, to receive prescribed notices and to require billing errors to be resolved promptly.

The trust may be liable for certain violations of consumer protection laws that apply to the receivables, either as assignee from the seller with respect to obligations arising before transfer of the receivables to the trust or as a party directly responsible for obligations arising after the transfer. In addition, a cardholder may be entitled to assert such violations by way of set-off against his obligation to pay the amount of receivables owing. The seller has represented and warranted in the master agreement that all of the receivables have been and will be created in compliance with the requirements of such laws. The servicer also agrees in the master agreement to indemnify the trust, among other things, for any liability arising from such violations caused by the servicer. For a discussion of the trust's rights arising from the breach of these warranties, see "Description of the Certificates--Representations and Warranties" in this prospectus.

Certain jurisdictions may attempt to require out-of-state credit card issuers to comply with such jurisdiction's consumer protection laws (including laws limiting the charges imposed by such credit card issuers) in connection with their operations in such jurisdictions. A successful challenge by such a jurisdiction could have an adverse impact on the seller's credit card operations or the yield on the receivables in the trust.

If a cardholder sought protection under federal or state bankruptcy or debtor relief laws, a court could reduce or discharge completely the cardholder's obligations to repay amounts due on its account and, as a result, the related receivables would be written off as uncollectible. The certificateholders could suffer a loss if no funds are available from credit enhancement or other sources. See "Description of the Certificates--Defaulted Receivables; Rebates and Fraudulent Charges; Investor Charge-Offs" in this prospectus.

#### Federal Income Tax Consequences

##### General

The following is a discussion of material federal income tax consequences relating to the investment in a certificate offered hereunder. Additional federal income tax considerations relevant to a particular series may be set forth in the accompanying prospectus supplement. This discussion is based on current law, which is subject to changes that could prospectively or retroactively modify or adversely affect the tax consequences summarized below. The discussion does not address all of the tax consequences relevant to a particular certificate owner in light of that certificate owner's circumstances, and some certificate owners may be subject to special tax rules and limitations not discussed below. Each prospective certificate owner is urged to consult its own tax adviser in determining the federal, state, local and foreign income and any other tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of a certificate.

For purposes of this discussion, "U.S. Person" means a citizen or resident of the United States, a corporation or partnership organized in or under the laws of the United States, any state thereof, or any political subdivision of either (including the District of Columbia), or an estate or trust the income of which is includible in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source. The term "U.S. Certificate Owner" means any U.S. Person and any other person to the extent that the income attributable to its interest in a certificate is effectively connected with that person's conduct of a U.S. trade or business.

##### Treatment of the Certificates as Debt

The seller expresses in the master agreement the intent that for federal, state and local income and franchise tax purposes, the certificates will be debt secured by the receivables. The seller, by entering into the

master agreement, and each investor, by the acceptance of a beneficial interest in a certificate, will agree to treat the certificates as debt for federal, state and local income and franchise tax purposes. However, the master agreement generally refers to the transfer of receivables as a "sale," and because different criteria are used in determining the non-tax accounting treatment of the transaction, the seller will treat the master agreement for certain non-tax accounting purposes as causing a transfer of an ownership interest in the receivables and not as creating a debt obligation.

A basic premise of federal income tax law is that the economic substance of a transaction generally determines its tax consequences. The form of a transaction, while a relevant factor, is not conclusive evidence of its economic substance. In appropriate circumstances, the courts have allowed taxpayers as well as the Internal Revenue Service to treat a transaction in accordance with its economic substance, as determined under federal income tax law, even though the participants in the transaction have characterized it differently for non-tax purposes.

The determination of whether the economic substance of a purchase of an interest in property is instead a loan secured by the transferred property has been made by the Internal Revenue Service and the courts on the basis of numerous factors designed to determine whether the seller has relinquished (and the purchaser has obtained) substantial incidents of ownership in the property. Among those factors, the primary ones examined are whether the purchaser has the opportunity to gain if the property increases in value, and has the risk of loss if the property decreases in value.

Except to the extent otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, special counsel to the seller, is of the opinion that, under current law as in effect on the closing date, although no transaction closely comparable to that contemplated herein has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision, for federal income tax purposes the certificates offered hereunder will not constitute an ownership interest in the receivables but will properly be characterized as debt. Except where indicated to the contrary, the following discussion assumes that the certificates offered hereunder are debt for federal income tax purposes.

#### Treatment of the Trust

General. The master agreement permits the issuance of certificates and certain other interests in the trust (including certain Collateral Interests), each of which may be treated for federal income tax purposes either as debt or as equity interests in the trust. If all of the certificates and other interests in the trust (other than the Seller Interest) were characterized as debt, the trust might be characterized as a security arrangement for debt collateralized by the receivables and issued directly by the seller (or other holder of the Seller Interest). Under such a view, the trust would be disregarded for federal income tax purposes. Alternatively, if some of the certificates or other interests in the trust (other than the Seller Interest) were characterized as equity, the trust might be characterized as a separate entity owning the receivables, issuing its own debt, and jointly owned by the seller (or other holder of the Seller Interest) and the other holders of equity interests in the trust. However, special counsel is of the opinion that, under current law as in effect on the closing date, any such entity constituted by the trust will not be an association or publicly traded partnership taxable as a corporation.

Possible Treatment of the Trust as a Partnership or a Publicly Traded Partnership. Although, as described above, special counsel is of the opinion that the certificates will properly be treated as debt for federal income tax purposes and that the trust will not be treated as an association or publicly traded partnership taxable as a corporation, such opinion does not bind the Internal Revenue Service and thus, no assurance can be given that such treatment will prevail. Further, such opinion is made with respect to current law, which is subject to change. If the Internal Revenue Service were to contend successfully that some or all of the certificates or any other interest in the trust (other than the Seller Interest) were not debt obligations for federal income tax purposes, all or a portion of the trust could be classified as a partnership or as a publicly traded partnership taxable as a corporation for such purposes. Because special counsel is of the opinion that the

certificates will be characterized as debt for federal income tax purposes and because any holder of any other interest in the trust (other than the Seller Interest) generally will agree to treat that interest as debt for such purposes, no attempt will be made to comply with any tax reporting requirements that would apply as a result of such alternative characterizations.

If the trust were treated in whole or in part as a partnership in which some or all holders of interests in the publicly offered certificates were partners, that partnership could be classified as a publicly traded partnership, and so could be taxable as a corporation. Further, regulations published by the Treasury Department under the publicly traded partnership provisions of the Internal Revenue Code could cause the trust to constitute a publicly traded partnership even if all holders of interests in publicly offered certificates are treated as holding debt. The publicly traded partnership regulations generally apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1995, and thus could affect the classification of then-existing entities and the ongoing tax treatment of already completed transactions. Although the publicly traded partnership regulations provide for a 10-year grandfather period for a partnership actively engaged in an activity before December 4, 1995, it is not clear whether the trust would qualify for this grandfather provision. If the

trust were classified as a publicly traded partnership, whether by reason of the treatment of publicly offered certificates as equity or by reason of the publicly traded partnership regulations, it would avoid taxation as a corporation if its income was not derived in the conduct of a "financial business;" however, whether the income of the trust would be so classified is unclear.

Under the Internal Revenue Code and the publicly traded partnership regulations, a partnership will be classified as a publicly traded partnership if equity interests therein are traded on an "established securities market," or are "readily tradable" on a "secondary market" or its "substantial equivalent." The seller intends to take measures designed to reduce the risk that the trust could be classified as a publicly traded partnership by reason of interests in the trust other than the publicly traded certificates. Although the seller expects such measures will ultimately be successful, certain of the actions that may be necessary for avoiding the treatment of such interests as "readily tradable" on a "secondary market" or its "substantial equivalent" are not fully within the control of the seller. As a result, there can be no assurance that the measures the seller intends to take will in all circumstances be sufficient to prevent the trust from being classified as a publicly traded partnership under the publicly traded partnership regulations.

If the trust were treated as a partnership but nevertheless were not treated as a publicly traded partnership taxable as a corporation, that partnership would not be subject to federal income tax. Rather, each item of income, gain, loss and deduction of the partnership generated through the ownership of the related receivables would be taken into account directly in computing taxable income of the seller (or the holder of the Seller Interest) and any certificate owners treated as partners in accordance with their respective partnership interests therein. The amounts and timing of income reportable by any certificate owners treated as partners would likely differ from that reportable by such certificate owners had they been treated as owning debt. In addition, if the trust were treated in whole or in part as a partnership other than a publicly traded partnership, income derived from the partnership by any certificate owner that is a pension fund or other tax-exempt entity may be treated as unrelated business taxable income. Partnership characterization also may have adverse state and local income or franchise tax consequences for a certificate owner. If the trust were treated in whole or in part as a partnership and the number of holders of interests in the publicly offered certificates and other interests in the trust treated as partners equaled or exceeded 100, the seller may cause the trust to elect to be an "electing large partnership." The consequence of such election to investors could include the determination of certain tax items at the partnership level and the disallowance of otherwise allowable deductions. No representation is made as to whether such election will be made.

If the arrangement created by the master agreement were treated in whole or in part as a publicly traded partnership taxable as a corporation, that entity would be subject to federal income tax at corporate tax rates on its taxable income generated by ownership of the receivables. That tax could result in reduced distributions to certificate owners. No distributions from the trust would be deductible in computing the taxable income of the corporation, except to the extent that any certificates were treated as debt of the corporation and distributions to the related certificate owners were treated as payments of interest thereon. In addition, distributions to

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certificate owners not treated as holding debt would be dividend income to the extent of the current and accumulated earnings and profits of the corporation (and certificate owners might not be entitled to any dividends received deduction in respect of such income).

#### Taxation of Interest Income of U.S. Certificate Owners

General. Stated interest on a beneficial interest in a certificate will be includible in gross income in accordance with a U.S. Certificate Owner's method of accounting.

Original Issue Discount. If the certificates are issued with original issue discount, the provisions of Sections 1271 through 1273 and 1275 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 will apply to the certificates. Under those provisions, a U.S. Certificate Owner (including a cash basis holder) generally would be required to accrue the original issue discount on its interest in a certificate in income for federal income tax purposes on a constant yield basis, resulting in the inclusion of original issue discount in income in advance of the receipt of cash attributable to that income. In general, a certificate will be treated as having original issue discount to the extent that its "stated redemption price" exceeds its "issue price," if such excess equals or exceeds 0.25 percent multiplied by the weighted average life of the certificate (determined by taking into account only the number of complete years following issuance until payment is made for any partial principal payments). Under Section 1272(a)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code, special provisions apply to debt instruments on which payments may be accelerated due to prepayments of other obligations securing those debt instruments. However, no regulations have been issued

interpreting those provisions, and the manner in which those provisions would apply to the certificates is unclear. Additionally, the Internal Revenue Service could take the position based on Treasury regulations that none of the interest payable on a certificate is "unconditionally payable" and hence that all of such interest should be included in the certificate's stated redemption price at maturity. If sustained, such treatment should not significantly affect the tax liability of most certificate owners, but prospective U.S. Certificate Owners should consult their own tax advisers concerning the impact to them in their particular circumstances. Except where indicated to the contrary, this discussion assumes that interest payable on a certificate is "unconditionally payable."

**Market Discount.** A U.S. Certificate Owner who purchases an interest in a certificate at a discount that exceeds any unamortized original issue discount may be subject to the "market discount" rules of Sections 1276 through 1278 of the Internal Revenue Code. These rules provide, in part, that gain on the sale or other disposition of a certificate and partial principal payments on a certificate are treated as ordinary income to the extent of accrued market discount. The market discount rules also provide for deferral of interest deductions with respect to debt incurred to purchase or carry a certificate that has market discount.

**Market Premium.** A U.S. Certificate Owner who purchases an interest in a certificate at a premium may elect to offset the premium against interest income over the remaining term of the certificate in accordance with the provisions of Section 171 of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### Sale or Exchange of Certificates

Upon a disposition of an interest in a certificate, a U.S. Certificate Owner generally will recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the disposition and the U.S. Certificate Owner's adjusted basis in its interest in the certificate. The adjusted basis in the interest in the certificate will equal its cost, increased by any original issue discount or market discount includible in income with respect to the interest in the certificate prior to its sale and reduced by any payments of principal or original issue discount previously received with respect to the interest in the certificate and any amortized premium. Subject to the market discount rules, gain or loss will be capital gain or loss if the interest in the certificate was held as a capital asset. Capital losses generally may be used only to offset capital gains.

#### Foreign Certificate Owners

A non-U.S. Certificate Owner who, for United States federal income tax purposes, is a nonresident alien individual or foreign corporation (a "Foreign Person") generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on interest (including original issue discount) on a beneficial interest in a certificate unless:

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(i) the Foreign Person actually or constructively owns 10 percent or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the seller entitled to vote (or of a profits or capital interest in the trust if characterized as a partnership);

(ii) the Foreign Person is a controlled foreign corporation that is related to the seller (or the trust, if treated as a partnership) through stock ownership;

(iii) the Foreign Person is a bank receiving interest described in Internal Revenue Code Section 881(c)(3)(A);

(iv) such interest is contingent interest described in Internal Revenue Code Section 871(h)(4); or

(v) the Foreign Person bears certain relationships to any holder of either (x) the Seller Interest (other than the seller) or (y) any other interest in the trust not properly characterized as debt.

To qualify for the exemption from taxation, the withholding agent, who generally is the last U.S. Person in the chain of payment prior to payment to a Foreign Person, must have received (in the year in which a payment of interest or principal occurs or in either of the two preceding years) a statement that:

(i) is signed by the Foreign Person under penalties of perjury;

(ii) certifies that the Foreign Person is not a U.S. Person; and

(iii) provides the name and address of, and certain additional information concerning, the Foreign Person.

This statement generally may be made on a Form W-8BEN or substantially similar substitute form, and the Foreign Person must inform the withholding

agent of any change in the information on the statement within 30 days of the change. If a certificate is held through a securities clearing organization or certain other financial institutions, the organization or institution may provide a signed statement to the withholding agent. However, in that case, the signed statement must be accompanied by a Form W-8BEN or substitute form provided by the Foreign Person to the organization or institution holding the certificate on behalf of the Foreign Person. 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.

Generally, any gain or income realized by a Foreign Person upon retirement or disposition of an interest in a certificate will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax, provided that:

- (i) in the case of a certificate owner that is an individual, such certificate owner is not present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year in which such retirement or disposition occurs; and
- (ii) in the case of gain representing accrued interest, the conditions for exemption from withholding described above are satisfied.

Certain exceptions may be applicable, and an individual Foreign Person should consult a tax adviser.

If the certificates were treated as an interest in a partnership, the recharacterization could cause a non-U.S. Certificate Owner to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States. In that event, the non-U.S. Certificate Owner would be required to file a federal income tax return and, in general, would be subject to U.S. federal income tax (including the branch profits tax) on its net income from the partnership. Further, certain withholding obligations apply with respect to income allocable or distributions made to a foreign partner. That withholding may be at a rate as high as 39.6 percent. If some or all of the certificates were treated as stock in a corporation, any related dividend distributions to a non-U.S. Certificate Owner generally would be subject to withholding of tax at the rate of 30 percent, unless that rate were reduced by an applicable tax treaty.

The U.S. Treasury Department has recently issued final Treasury regulations which revise various procedural matters relating to withholding taxes. Certificate owners should consult their tax advisors regarding the procedures whereby they may establish an exemption from withholding.

#### Backup Withholding and Information Reporting

Payments of principal and interest, as well as payments of proceeds from the sale, retirement or other disposition of a certificate, may be subject to "backup withholding" tax under the Internal Revenue Code at a rate of 31 percent if a recipient of such payments fails to furnish to the payor certain identifying information. Any amounts deducted and withheld would be allowed as a credit against such recipient's United States federal income tax, provided appropriate proof is provided under rules established by the Internal Revenue Service. Furthermore, certain penalties may be imposed by the Internal Revenue Service on a recipient of payments that is required to supply information but that does not do so in the proper manner. Backup withholding will not apply with respect to payments made to certain exempt recipients, such as corporations and financial institutions. Information may also be required to be provided to the Internal Revenue Service concerning payments, unless an exemption applies. Certificate owners should consult their tax advisors regarding their qualification for exemption from backup withholding and information reporting and the procedure for obtaining such an exemption.

#### State and Local Taxation

The discussion above does not address the taxation of the trust or the tax consequences of the purchase, ownership or disposition of an interest in the certificates under any state or local tax law. Each investor should consult its own tax adviser regarding state and local tax consequences.

#### ERISA Considerations

Section 406 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), and Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code prohibit certain pension, profit sharing or other employee benefit plans, individual retirement accounts or annuities and employee annuity plans and Keogh plans, collectively, "plans," from engaging in certain transactions involving "plan assets" with persons that are "parties in interest" under ERISA or "disqualified persons" under the Internal Revenue Code, collectively, "parties in interest," with respect to the plan. A violation of these "prohibited transaction" rules may generate excise tax and other liabilities under ERISA and Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code for such persons, unless a statutory, regulatory or administrative exemption is available. Plans that are governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church

plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA) are not subject to ERISA requirements.

A violation of the prohibited transaction rules could occur if any series of certificates were to be purchased with "plan assets" of any plan if the seller, the trustee, any underwriters of such series or any of their affiliates were a party in interest with respect to such plan, unless a statutory, regulatory or administrative exemption is available or an exception applies under a plan asset regulation issued by the Department of Labor. The seller, the trustee, any underwriters of a series and their affiliates are likely to be parties in interest with respect to many plans. Before purchasing certificates, a plan fiduciary or other plan investor should consider whether a prohibited transaction might arise by reason of the relationship between the plan and the seller, the trustee, any underwriters of such series or any of their affiliates and consult their counsel regarding the purchase in light of the considerations described below. The Department of Labor has issued five class exemptions that may apply to otherwise prohibited transactions arising from the purchase or holding of the certificates: Department of Labor Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption 96-23 (Class Exemption for Plan Asset Transactions Determined by In-House Asset Managers), Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption 95-60 (Class Exemption for Certain Transactions Involving Insurance Company General Accounts), Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption 91-38 (Class Exemption for Certain Transactions Involving Bank Collective Investment Funds), Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption 90-1 (Class Exemption for Certain Transactions Involving Insurance Company Pooled Separate Accounts) and Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption 84-14 (Class Exemption for Plan Asset Transactions Determined by Independent Qualified Professional Asset Managers).

Under certain circumstances, the Department of Labor plan asset regulation treats the assets of an entity in which a plan holds an equity interest as "plan assets" of such plan. Because the certificates will represent

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beneficial interests in the trust, and despite the agreement of the seller and the certificate owners to treat each series of certificates as debt instruments, the certificates are likely to be considered equity interests in the trust for purposes of the plan asset regulation, with the result that the assets of the trust are likely to be treated as "plan assets" of the investing plans for purposes of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code and result in non-exempt prohibited transactions, unless one of the following exceptions applies.

The first exception applies to a "publicly-offered security." A publicly-offered security is a security that is:

(a) freely transferable;

(b) part of a class of securities that is owned, immediately subsequent to the initial offering, by 100 or more investors who were independent of the issuer and of one another; and

(c) either is:

(i) part of a class of securities registered under Section 12(b) or 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; or

(ii) sold to the plan as part of an offering of securities to the public pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the class of securities of which such security is a part is registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, within 120 days (or such later time as may be allowed by the SEC) after the end of the fiscal year of the issuer during which the offering of such securities to the public occurred.

For purposes of the 100 independent investor criterion, except to the extent otherwise disclosed in the accompanying prospectus supplement, each class of certificates should be deemed to be a "class" of securities that would be tested separately from any other securities that may be issued by the trust.

A second exception applies if equity participation in the entity by "benefit plan investors" (i.e., plans and other employee benefit plans not subject to ERISA, such as governmental or foreign plans, as well as entities holding assets deemed to be "plan assets") is not "significant." Benefit plan investors' equity participation in the trust is not significant on any date on which any series of certificates is issued and outstanding if, immediately after the most recent acquisition of any equity interest in the trust, less than 25% of the value of each class of equity interests in the trust (excluding interests held by the seller, the trustee or their affiliates) is held by benefit plan investors. No assurance can be given by the seller as to whether the value of each class of equity interests in the trust held by benefit plan investors will be "significant" upon completion of the offering of any series of certificates or thereafter, and no monitoring or other measures will be taken with respect to the satisfaction of the conditions to this exception.

If so specified in the accompanying prospectus supplement, a third exception will also be available. On April 7, 1998, the Department of Labor granted to MBNA an administrative exemption, Prohibited Transaction Exemption 98-13 (Exemption Application No. D-10304, 63 Fed. Reg. 17,020), from certain of the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code with respect to the initial purchase, the holding and the subsequent resale by plans of securities representing interests in MBNA credit card trusts that meet the conditions and requirements of the exemption. The exemption will apply to the acquisition, holding and resale of the senior certificates by or with "plan assets" of a plan, provided that certain conditions (certain of which are described below) are met.

Among the conditions which must be satisfied for the exemption to apply are the following:

(1) the acquisition of the senior certificates by a plan is on terms (including the price for such senior certificates) that are at least as favorable to the investing plan as they would be in an arm's-length transaction with an unrelated party;

(2) the rights and interests evidenced by the senior certificates acquired by the plan are not subordinated to the rights and interests evidenced by other certificates of the trust;

(3) the senior certificates acquired by the plan have received a rating at the time of such acquisition in one of the two highest generic rating categories from a rating agency; provided that, notwithstanding

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such rating, credit support is provided to the senior certificates through a senior-subordinated structure or other form of third-party credit support which, at a minimum, represents 5% of the outstanding principal balance of the senior certificates at the time of such acquisition;

(4) the trustee is not an affiliate of the restricted group (as defined below);

(5) the sum of all payments made to and retained by the underwriters in connection with the distribution of the senior certificates represents not more than reasonable compensation for underwriting such senior certificates; the consideration received by the seller as a consequence of the assignment of receivables to the trust, to the extent allocable to the senior certificates, represents not more than the fair market value of such receivables; and the sum of all payments made to and retained by the servicer, to the extent allocable to the senior certificates, represents not more than reasonable compensation for the servicer's services under the master agreement and reimbursement of the servicer's reasonable expenses in connection therewith;

(6) the plan investing in the senior certificates is an "accredited investor" as defined in Rule 501(a)(1) of Regulation D of the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended;

(7) the trustee is a substantial financial institution or trust company experienced in trust activities and is familiar with its duties, responsibilities and liabilities as a fiduciary under ERISA and, as the legal owner of (or holder of a perfected security interest in) the receivables, enforces all the rights created in favor of the certificateholders, including plans;

(8) prior to the issuance of any new series, confirmation is received from the rating agencies that such issuance will not result in the reduction or withdrawal of the then current rating of the senior certificates held by any plan pursuant to the MBNA exemption;

(9) to protect against fraud, chargebacks or other dilution of the receivables, the master agreement and the rating agencies require the seller to maintain a Seller Interest of not less than 2% of the principal balance of the receivables contained in the trust;

(10) each receivable is an Eligible Receivable, based on criteria of the rating agencies and as specified in the master agreement, and the master agreement requires that any change in the terms of the cardholder agreements must be made applicable to the comparable segment of accounts owned or serviced by MBNA which are part of the same program or have the same or substantially similar characteristics;

(11) the master agreement limits the number of newly originated accounts to be designated to the trust, unless the rating agencies otherwise consent in writing, to the following: (a) with respect to any three-month period, 15% of the number of existing accounts designated to the trust as of the first day of such period, and (b) with respect to any twelve-month period, 20% of the number of existing accounts designated to the trust as of the



first day of such twelve-month period;

(12) the master agreement requires the seller to deliver an opinion of counsel semi-annually confirming the validity and perfection of the transfer of receivables in newly originated accounts to the trust if such an opinion is not delivered with respect to each interim addition; and

(13) the master agreement requires the seller and the trustee to receive confirmation from each rating agency that such rating agency will not reduce or withdraw its then current rating of the class of certificates as a result of:

(a) a proposed transfer of receivables in newly originated accounts to the trust; or

(b) the transfer of receivables in all newly originated accounts added to the trust during the preceding three-month period (beginning at quarterly intervals specified in the master agreement and ending in the calendar month prior to the date such confirmation is issued), provided that a rating agency confirmation shall not be required under clause (b) for any three-month period in which any additions of receivables in newly originated accounts occurred only after receipt of prior rating agency confirmation pursuant to clause (a).

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The trust also must meet the following requirements:

(a) the corpus of the trust must consist only of receivables of the type which have been included in other investment pools;

(b) certificates evidencing interests in such other investment pools have been rated in one of the two highest generic rating categories by at least one of the rating agencies for at least one year prior to the plan's acquisition of certificates; and

(c) certificates evidencing an interest in such other investment pools have been purchased by investors other than plans for at least one year prior to any plan's acquisition of senior certificates.

Moreover, the MBNA exemption provides relief from certain self-dealing/conflict of interest prohibited transactions that may occur when a plan fiduciary causes a plan to acquire senior certificates if the fiduciary (or its affiliate) is an obligor on the receivables held in the trust, provided that, among other requirements:

(a) in the case of an acquisition in connection with the initial issuance of senior certificates, at least 50% of each class of certificates in which plans have invested is acquired by persons independent of the restricted group and at least 50% of the aggregate interest in the trust is acquired by persons independent of the restricted group;

(b) such fiduciary (or its affiliate) is an obligor with respect to 0.5% or less of the fair market value of the obligations contained in the trust;

(c) the plan's investment in senior certificates does not exceed 25% of all of the senior certificates outstanding after the acquisition; and

(d) no more than 25% of the assets of the plan are invested in securities representing an interest in one or more trusts containing assets sold or serviced by the same entity.

The exemption does not apply to plans sponsored by the "restricted group" which consists of the seller, the underwriters of the senior certificates, the trustee, the servicer, any obligor with respect to obligations included in the trust constituting more than 0.5% of the fair market value of the aggregate undivided interest in the trust allocated to the senior certificates of a series, determined on the date of the initial issuance of such series, or any affiliate of any such party.

The Department of Labor has designated the MBNA exemption as an "underwriter exemption." As a result, an insurance company investing solely assets of its general account may be able to acquire and hold subordinate certificates of a series, provided that (i) the senior certificates of that series are eligible for relief under the MBNA exemption and (ii) such acquisition and holding satisfies the conditions applicable under Sections I and III of Department of Labor Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption 95-60.

If none of the foregoing exceptions under the plan asset regulation were satisfied with respect to the trust and the trust were considered to hold "plan assets" of plans, transactions involving the trust and parties in interest with respect to a plan that is a certificate owner might be prohibited under Section 406 of ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code and result in excise tax and other liabilities under ERISA and Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code unless an exemption were available. The five Department of Labor

class exemptions mentioned above may not provide relief for all transactions involving the assets of the trust even if they would otherwise apply to the purchase of a certificate by a plan.

The certificates of any series may not be purchased with "plan assets" of a plan if the seller, the servicer, the trustee or any of their affiliates:

(a) has investment or administrative discretion with respect to such plan assets;

(b) has authority or responsibility to give, or regularly gives, investment advice with respect to such plan assets, for a fee and pursuant to an agreement or understanding that such advice (i) will serve as a primary basis for investment decisions with respect to such plan assets, and (ii) will be based on the particular investment needs of such plan; or

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(c) unless Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption 95-60, 91-38 or 90-1 applies, is an employer maintaining or contributing to such plan.

In light of the foregoing, fiduciaries or other persons contemplating purchasing the certificates on behalf or with "plan assets" of any plan should consult their own counsel regarding whether the trust assets represented by the certificates would be considered "plan assets," the consequences that would apply if the trust's assets were considered "plan assets," and the availability of exemptive relief from the prohibited transaction rules under the MBNA exemption or otherwise.

Finally, plan fiduciaries and other plan investors should consider the fiduciary standards under ERISA or other applicable law in the context of the plan's particular circumstances before authorizing an investment of a portion of the plan's assets in the certificates. Accordingly, among other factors, plan fiduciaries and other plan investors should consider whether the investment:

(i) satisfies the diversification requirement of ERISA or other applicable law;

(ii) is in accordance with the plan's governing instruments; and

(iii) is prudent in light of the risk factors and other factors discussed in this prospectus and in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

#### Plan of Distribution

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in an underwriting agreement to be entered into with respect to each series of certificates, the seller will agree to sell to each of the underwriters named therein and in the accompanying prospectus supplement, and each of such underwriters will severally agree to purchase from the seller, the principal amount of certificates set forth therein and in the accompanying prospectus supplement (subject to proportional adjustment on the terms and conditions set forth in the related underwriting agreement in the event of an increase or decrease in the aggregate amount of certificates offered hereby and by the accompanying prospectus supplement).

In each underwriting agreement, the several underwriters will agree, subject to the terms and conditions set forth therein, to purchase all the certificates offered hereby and by the accompanying prospectus supplement if any of such certificates are purchased. In the event of a default by any underwriter, each underwriting agreement will provide that, in certain circumstances, purchase commitments of the nondefaulting underwriters may be increased or the underwriting agreement may be terminated.

Each prospectus supplement will set forth the price at which each series of certificates or class being offered thereby initially will be offered to the public and any concessions that may be offered to certain dealers participating in the offering of such certificates. After the initial public offering, the public offering price and such concessions may be changed.

Each underwriting agreement will provide that the seller will indemnify the related underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

The place and time of delivery for any series of certificates in respect of which this prospectus is delivered will be set forth in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

#### Legal Matters

Certain legal matters relating to the issuance of the certificates will be passed upon for the seller by John W. Scheflen, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of MBNA Corporation and Vice Chairman, Cashier and Secretary of MBNA, and by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Washington, D.C., special counsel to the seller. Certain legal matters relating to the

the State of Delaware will be passed upon for the seller by Richards, Layton & Finger, P.A., Wilmington, Delaware. Certain legal matters relating to the federal tax consequences of the issuance of the certificates will be passed upon for the seller by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP. Certain legal matters relating to the issuance of the certificates will be passed upon for the underwriters by Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, New York, New York. Mr. Scheflen owns beneficially in excess of 950,000 shares of common stock of MBNA Corporation, including options exercisable within sixty days under the Corporation's 1991 and 1997 Long Term Incentive Plans.

Reports to Certificateholders

The servicer will prepare monthly and annual reports that will contain information about the trust. The financial information contained in the reports will not be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Unless and until definitive certificates are issued, the reports will be sent to Cede & Co. which is the nominee of The Depository Trust Company and the registered holder of the certificates. No financial reports will be sent to you. See "Description of the Certificates--Book-Entry Registration," "--Reports to Certificateholders" and "--Evidence as to Compliance" in this prospectus.

Where You Can Find More Information

We filed a registration statement relating to the certificates with the Securities and Exchange Commission. This prospectus is part of the registration statement, but the registration statement includes additional information.

The servicer will file with the SEC all required annual, monthly and special SEC reports and other information about the trust.

You may read and copy any reports, statements or other information we file at the SEC's public reference room in Washington, D.C. You can request copies of these documents, upon payment of a duplicating fee, by writing to the SEC. Please call the SEC at (800) SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the public reference rooms. Our SEC filings are also available to the public on the SEC Internet site (<http://www.sec.gov>).

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" information we file with it, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this prospectus. Information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update the information in this prospectus. In all cases, you should rely on the later information over different information included in this prospectus or the accompanying prospectus supplement. We incorporate by reference any future annual, monthly and special SEC reports and proxy materials filed by or on behalf of the trust until we terminate our offering of the certificates.

As a recipient of this prospectus, you may request a copy of any document we incorporate by reference, except exhibits to the documents (unless the exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference), at no cost, by writing or calling us at: Investor Relations; MBNA America Bank, National Association; Wilmington, Delaware 19884-0131; (800) 362-6255.

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Global Clearance, Settlement and Tax Documentation Procedures

Except in certain limited circumstances, the globally offered MBNA Master Credit Card Trust II Asset Backed Certificates (the "Global Securities") to be issued in series from time to time (each, a "Series") will be available only in book-entry form. Investors in the Global Securities may hold such Global Securities through any of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), Clearstream or Euroclear. The Global Securities will be tradeable as home market instruments in both the European and U.S. domestic markets. Initial settlement and all secondary trades will settle in same-day funds.

Secondary market trading between investors holding Global Securities through Clearstream and Euroclear will be conducted in the ordinary way in accordance with their normal rules and operating procedures and in accordance with conventional eurobond practice (i.e., seven calendar day settlement).

Secondary market trading between investors holding Global Securities through DTC will be conducted according to the rules and procedures applicable to U.S. corporate debt obligations.

Secondary cross-market trading between Clearstream or Euroclear and DTC participants holding certificates will be effected on a delivery-against-payment basis through the respective depositories of Clearstream and Euroclear (in such capacity) and as DTC participants.

Non-U.S. holders (as described below) of Global Securities will be subject to U.S. withholding taxes unless such holders meet certain requirements and deliver appropriate U.S. tax documents to the securities clearing organizations

or their participants.

#### Initial Settlement

All Global Securities will be held in book-entry form by DTC in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of DTC. Investors' interests in the Global Securities will be represented through financial institutions acting on their behalf as direct and indirect participants in DTC. As a result, Clearstream and Euroclear will hold positions on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold such positions in accounts as DTC participants.

Investors electing to hold their Global Securities through DTC (other than through accounts at Clearstream or Euroclear) will follow the settlement practices applicable to U.S. corporate debt obligations. Investor securities custody accounts will be credited with their holdings against payment in same-day funds on the settlement date.

Investors electing to hold their Global Securities through Clearstream or Euroclear accounts will follow the settlement procedures applicable to conventional eurobonds in registered form. Global Securities will be credited to the securities custody accounts on the settlement date against payment for value on the settlement date.

#### Secondary Market Trading

Because the purchaser determines the place of delivery, it is important to establish at the time of the trade where both the purchaser's and seller's accounts are located to ensure that settlement can be made on the desired value date.

Trading between DTC Participants. Secondary market trading between DTC participants (other than the depositories for Clearstream and Euroclear) will be settled using the procedures applicable to U.S. corporate debt obligations in same-day funds.

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Trading between Clearstream customers and/or Euroclear participants. Secondary market trading between Clearstream customers or Euroclear participants will be settled using the procedures applicable to conventional eurobonds in same-day funds.

Trading between DTC seller and Clearstream or Euroclear purchaser. When Global Securities are to be transferred from the account of a DTC participant (other than the depositories for Clearstream and Euroclear) to the account of a Clearstream customer or a Euroclear participant, the purchaser must send instructions to Clearstream or Euroclear, as the case may be, prior to settlement date 12:30. Clearstream or Euroclear, as the case may be, will instruct the respective depository, as the case may be, to receive the Global Securities for payment. Payment will then be made by the respective depository to the DTC participant's account against delivery of the Global Securities. After settlement has been completed, the Global Securities will be credited to the respective clearing system and by the clearing system, in accordance with its usual procedures, to the Clearstream customer's or Euroclear participant's account. Credit for the Global Securities will appear the next day (European time) and the cash debit will be back-valued to, and the interest on the Global Securities will accrue from, the value date (which would be the preceding day when settlement occurred in New York). If settlement is not completed on the intended value date (i.e., the trade fails), the Clearstream or Euroclear cash debit will be valued instead as of the actual settlement date.

Clearstream customers and Euroclear participants will need to make available to the respective clearing systems the funds necessary to process same-day funds settlement. The most direct means of doing so is to pre-position funds for settlement, either from cash on hand or existing lines of credit, as they would for any settlement occurring within Clearstream or Euroclear. Under this approach, they may take on credit exposure to Clearstream or Euroclear until the Global Securities are credited to their accounts one day later.

As an alternative, if Clearstream or Euroclear has extended a line of credit to them, Clearstream customers or Euroclear participants can elect not to pre-position funds and allow that credit line to be drawn upon the finance settlement. Under this procedure, Clearstream customers or Euroclear participants purchasing Global Securities would incur overdraft charges for one day, assuming they cleared the overdraft when the Global Securities were credited to their accounts. However, interest on the Global Securities would accrue from the value date. Therefore, in many cases the investment income on the Global Securities earned during that one-day period may substantially reduce or offset the amount of such overdraft charges, although this result will depend on each Clearstream customer's or Euroclear participant's particular cost of funds.

Since the settlement is taking place during New York business hours, DTC participants can employ their usual procedures for sending Global Securities to

the respective European depository for the benefit of Clearstream customers or Euroclear participants. The sale proceeds will be available to the DTC seller on the settlement date. Thus, to the DTC participant a cross-market transaction will settle no differently from a trade between two DTC participants.

Trading between Clearstream or Euroclear seller and DTC purchaser. Due to time zone differences in their favor, Clearstream customers and Euroclear participants may employ their customary procedures for transactions in which Global Securities are to be transferred by the respective clearing system, through the respective depository, to another DTC participant. The seller will send instructions to Clearstream or Euroclear, as the case may be, before settlement date 12:30. In these cases, Clearstream or Euroclear will instruct the respective depository, as appropriate, to credit the Global Securities to the DTC participant's account against payment. The payment will then be reflected in the account of the Clearstream customer or Euroclear participant the following day, and receipt of the cash proceeds in the Clearstream customer's or Euroclear participant's account would be back-valued to the value date (which would be the preceding day, when settlement occurred in New York). If the Clearstream customer or Euroclear participant has a line of credit with its respective clearing system and elects to draw on such line of credit in anticipation of receipt of the sale proceeds in its account, the back-valuation may substantially reduce or offset any overdraft charges incurred over that one-day period. If settlement is not completed on the intended value date (i.e., the trade fails), receipt of the cash proceeds in the Clearstream customer's or Euroclear participant's account would instead be valued as of the actual settlement date.

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#### Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Documentation Requirements

A beneficial owner of Global Securities holding securities through Clearstream or Euroclear (or through DTC if the holder has an address outside the U.S.) will be subject to the 30% U.S. withholding tax that generally applies to payments of interest (including original issue discount) on registered debt issued by U.S. Persons, unless (i) each clearing system, bank or other financial institution that holds customers' securities in the ordinary course of its trade or business in the chain of intermediaries between such beneficial owner and the U.S. entity required to withhold tax complies with applicable certification requirements and (ii) such beneficial owner takes appropriate steps to obtain an exemption or reduced tax rate. See "Federal Income Tax Consequences."

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