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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] – MERRILL LYNCH & CO., INC.	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2008		e and Ticker or Trading Symbol OCK MUNICIPAL 2018 TERM TRUST [BPK]				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 4 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER	12/31/2008	Issuer	f Reporting Person(s) to x all applicable) theOther (specify below)		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
(Street) NEW YORK,, NY 10080		(Check Director Officer (give tit below)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person X_Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)		2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Auction Rate Preferred (1)	588 (1) (2)	588 <u>(1) (2)</u>		See footnote (3)			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exer	rcisable	3. Tit	le and Amount of	4. Conversion	5. Ownership	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
(Instr. 4)	(Month/Day/Year)		1 5 8		or Exercise Form of		Ownership	
					Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)	
			(Instr. 4)		Derivative	Security: Direct		
	Date	Expiration			Security	(D) or Indirect		
	Exercisable	Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(I)		
	Exercisable	Date		Shares		(Instr. 5)		

Reporting Owners

	Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Address		10% Owner	Officer	Other	
MERRILL LYNCH & CO., INC. 4 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER NEW YORK,, NY 10080		Х			
MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INC. 4 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER NEW YORK,, NY 10080		Х			

Signatures

Merrill Lynch & Co, Inc., By: /s/ Pia Thompson, Assistant Secretary	01/09/2009
-**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Inc., By: /s/ Pia Thompson, Assistant Secretary	01/09/2009
-**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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The securities reported on this Form 3 are subject to repurchase under the terms of Merrill Lynch & Co.'s ("MLCO") settlement with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"), et alia, with respect to certain auction rate securities ("Subject Securities") sold by MLCO and/or held by customers in accounts at

(1) MLCO. The repurchases of the Subject Securities by MLCO, and the reporting of its holdings of such Subject Securities by MLCO, are being made in reliance on the Auction Rate Securities-Global Relief Letter issued by the Commission on September 22, 2008 (the "Relief Letter"). In reliance on the Relief Letter, we are reporting our holdings of each series of preferred stock of the issuer on a consolidated basis as a single class of securities.

In further reliance on the Relief Letter, we will not file Forms 4 to report changes in our beneficial ownership of the issuer's preferred stock. However, in compliance with the terms of the Relief Letter, we hereby undertake to provide upon request by the Commission, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, complete information regarding

- (2) the terms of the Refer Letter, we hereby indertake to provide upon request by the Commission, the issuer of a security holder of the issuer, complete information regarding the number of equity securities of the issuer purchased or sold at each different price and date of all transactions in such securities that occurred after we became a 10% owner but prior to the date of this filing.
- (3) Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. indirectly through its wholly-owned subsidiary Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated owns 588 shares of the issuer's preferred stock.

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