

IMPORTANT NOTICE

National Securities Clearing Corporation



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DATE: May 29, 2008

TO: ALL PARTICIPANTS

ATTENTION: MANAGER MUTUAL FUNDS OPERATIONS,
MANAGER DATA PROCESSING

FROM: WEALTH MANAGEMENT SERVICES

SUBJECT: NEW HOURS OF AVAILABILITY FOR FUND/SPEEDSM

An upgrade of DTCC's distributed infrastructure will impact the weekend availability of the Fund/*SPEED* platform. Effective immediately, the revised service hours are Sunday 11AM thru Saturday 8PM EST. Previously, the service hours were Sunday 9AM thru Saturday 8PM EST.

In addition, DTCC will provide notice one week in advance for maintenance or disaster recovery exercises that impact the Fund/*SPEED* service availability. During all scheduled maintenance events, the system will be unavailable from 4PM EST on Saturday to 11AM on Sunday. This is a revision of the maintenance hours that were reported on the Important Notice A#6524 (November 7, 2007).

Customer service and technical support for problem resolution for the Fund/*SPEED* product will be available on regular business days from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm EST. Participants may call the DTCC Customer Support Center (CSC) at (888) 382-2721.

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