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#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of securities to be registered

Maximum Amount of

aggregate registration

offering price fee(1)

Shares of Fixed-to-Floating Rate Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A

\$2,250,000,000 \$257,850

(1) Calculated in accordance with Rules 457(o) and 457(r) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

# PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT (To Prospectus dated December 1, 2011)

#### **General Electric Capital Corporation**

## 22,500 Shares of Fixed-to-Floating Rate Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A

We are offering 22,500 of our shares of Fixed-to-Floating Rate Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A, \$0.01 par value, with a liquidation preference of \$100,000 per share (the Preferred Stock).

We will pay, to the extent of lawfully available funds, dividends on the Preferred Stock, when, as and if declared by our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of the board) from the date of issuance to, but excluding, June 15, 2022 at a rate of 7.125% per annum, payable semi-annually, in arrears, on June 15 and December 15 of each year, beginning on December 15, 2012. From and including June 15, 2022, we will pay dividends, to the extent of lawfully available funds, when, as and if declared by our board (or a duly authorized committee thereof) at a floating rate equal to three-month LIBOR plus a spread of 5.296% per annum, payable quarterly, in arrears, on March 15, June 15, September 15 and December 15 of each year, beginning on September 15, 2022.

Dividends on the Preferred Stock will not be cumulative and will not be mandatory. If our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of the board) does not declare a dividend on the Preferred Stock in respect of a dividend period, then no dividend shall be deemed to have accrued for such dividend period, be payable on the applicable dividend payment date or be cumulative, and we will have no obligation to pay any dividend for that dividend period, whether or not our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of our board) declares a dividend for any future

dividend period on the Preferred Stock or any other series of our preferred stock or on our common stock, or upon a redemption in whole or in part of the Preferred Stock.

We may redeem the Preferred Stock at our option, (i) in whole or in part, from time to time, on any dividend payment date on or after June 15, 2022 at a redemption price equal to \$100,000 per share, plus any declared and unpaid dividends to, but not including, the redemption date, or (ii) in whole but not in part, at any time within 90 days following a Regulatory Capital Treatment Event (as defined herein), at a redemption price equal to \$100,000 per share, plus any declared and unpaid dividends to, but not including, the redemption date. Any redemption of the Preferred Stock is subject to our receipt of any required prior approval by the Federal Reserve Board and to the satisfaction of any conditions set forth in the capital guidelines or regulations of the Federal Reserve Board applicable to the redemption by us of the Preferred Stock.

The Preferred Stock will not be listed for trading on any stock exchange or available for quotation on any national quotation system.

The Preferred Stock will not have any voting rights, except as set forth under Description of the Preferred Stock Voting Rights on page S-19.

The Preferred Stock is not a deposit or other obligation of a bank nor is it insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

For a discussion of certain risks that you should consider in connection with an investment in the Preferred Stock, see Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 and all subsequent filings under Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), as well as the additional risk factors contained in this prospectus supplement beginning on page S-8.

	P	er Share	Total
Public Offering Price	\$	100,000	\$ 2,250,000,000
Underwriting Discounts and Commissions	\$	1,000	\$ 22,500,000
Proceeds (before expenses)	\$	99,000	\$ 2,227,500,000

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of the Preferred Stock or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The underwriters expect to deliver the Preferred Stock to purchasers in book-entry form through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company and its direct participants, including Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System ( Euroclear ) and Clearstream Banking, a société anonyme ( Clearstream ) on or about June 12, 2012.

Joint Book-Running Managers

Barclays	<b>BofA Merrill Lynch</b>	Citigroup	Goldman, Sachs & Co.	J.P. Morgan
		Prospectus S	Supplement dated June 7, 2012	

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#### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

You should read this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and any free writing prospectus relating to this offering, together with additional information described under the heading Where You Can Find More Information on GECC in the accompanying prospectus.

Unless otherwise mentioned or unless the context requires otherwise, all references in this prospectus supplement to GECC, we, us, our or similar references mean General Electric Capital Corporation.

If the information set forth in this prospectus supplement differs in any way from the information set forth in the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on the information set forth in this prospectus supplement.

Currency amounts in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are stated in U.S. dollars.

We have not authorized anyone to provide any information other than the information contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and any free writing prospectus relating to this offering. This prospectus supplement may be used only for the purpose for which it has been prepared. No one is authorized to give information other than that contained in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus, any free writing prospectus relating to this offering and in the documents incorporated by reference herein and therein. We take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you.

We are offering to sell the Preferred Stock only in places where sales are permitted. We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer to sell the Preferred Stock in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement or any document incorporated by reference herein or in the accompanying prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date of the applicable document. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date. None of this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any free writing prospectus relating to this offering constitutes an offer, or an invitation on our behalf or on behalf of the underwriters, to subscribe for and purchase any of the Preferred Stock and may not be used for or in connection with an offer or solicitation by anyone, in any jurisdiction in which such an offer or solicitation is not authorized or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such an offer or solicitation.

#### CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the information included or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement contains forward-looking statements that is, statements related to future, not past, events. In this context, forward-looking statements often address our expected future business and financial performance and financial condition, and often contain words such as expect, anticipate, intend, plan, believe, seek, see, or will. Forward-looking state nature address matters that are, to different degrees, uncertain. For us, particular uncertainties that could cause our actual results to be materially different than those expressed in our forward-looking statements include:

current
economic and
financial
conditions,
including
volatility in
interest and
exchange rates,

commodity and equity prices and the value of financial assets;

potential market disruptions or other impacts arising in the United States or Europe from developments in the European sovereign debt situation;

the impact of conditions in the financial and credit markets on the availability and cost of our funding and on our ability to reduce our asset levels as planned;

the impact of conditions in the housing market and unemployment rates on the level of commercial and consumer credit defaults;

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changes in Japanese consumer behavior that may affect our estimates of liability for excess interest refund claims (Grey Zone);

pending and threatened litigation against WMC, including increased activity by securitization trustees;

our ability to maintain our current credit rating and the impact on our funding costs and competitive position if we do not do so;

our ability to pay dividends to our parent, General Electric Company, at the planned level;

the level of demand and financial performance of the major industries we serve, including, without

limitation, air transportation, real estate and healthcare;

the impact of regulation and regulatory, investigative and legal proceedings and legal compliance risks, including the impact of financial services regulation;

strategic
actions,
including
acquisitions,
joint ventures
and
dispositions
and our
success in
completing
announced
transactions
and integrating
acquired
businesses;

the impact of potential information technology or data security breaches; and

numerous other matters of national, regional and global scale, including those of a political, economic,

business and competitive nature.

These uncertainties may cause our actual future results to be materially different than those expressed in our forward-looking statements. Accordingly, we caution you against relying on forward-looking statements. We do not undertake to update our forward-looking statements.

We provide greater detail regarding some of these factors in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, filed with the SEC and available on the SEC s website at <a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>, including the Risk Factors section of that report, as such discussions may be amended or supplemented in other reports filed by us with the SEC and elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Our forward-looking statements may also be subject to other risks and uncertainties, including those discussed elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus or in our other filings with the SEC.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION ON GECC

GECC files annual, quarterly and current reports and other information with the SEC. Our SEC filings are available to the public from the SEC s website at http://www.sec.gov. You may also read and copy any document we file at the SEC s public reference room in Washington D.C. located at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room. Information about us, including our SEC filings, is also available at our Internet site at http://www.ge.com. However, the information on our Internet site is not a part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference into this prospectus the information in other documents 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 a part of this prospectus, and information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update and supersede information contained in documents filed earlier with the SEC or contained in this prospectus. We incorporate by reference in this prospectus the documents listed below and any future filings that we make with the SEC under Section 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, prior to the termination of the offering under this prospectus; provided, however, that we are not incorporating, in each case, any documents or information deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with SEC rules:

The Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 that we filed with the SEC on February 24, 2012;

The Quarterly

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Report on		
Form		
10-Q for		
the quarter		
ended		
March 31,		
2012 that		
we filed		
with the		
SEC on		
May 4,		
2012; and		

The Current **Reports** on Form 8-K that we filed with the SEC on January 20, 2012, February 22, 2012, April 6, 2012, April 20, 2012, May 4, 2012 and May 16,

2012.

You may request a copy of these filings (excluding certain exhibits to the documents) at no cost. Requests should be directed to David P. Russell, Executive Counsel, Corporate and Securities, and Assistant Secretary, General Electric Capital Corporation, 3135 Eastern Turnpike, Fairfield, Connecticut 06828, Telephone No. (203) 373-2465.

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#### **SUMMARY**

The following information about this offering summarizes, and should be read in conjunction with, the information contained in this prospectus supplement and in the accompanying prospectus, and the documents incorporated herein and therein by reference. This summary is not complete and does not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in the Preferred Stock. You should pay special attention to the Risk Factors section of this prospectus supplement to determine whether an investment in the Preferred Stock is appropriate for you.

#### **About General Electric Capital Corporation**

General Electric Capital Corporation ( GECC ) was incorporated in 1943 in the State of New York under the provisions of the New York Banking Law relating to investment companies, as successor to General Electric Contracts Corporation, which was formed in 1932. Until November 1987, our name was General Electric Credit Corporation. On July 2, 2001, we changed our state of incorporation to Delaware. As of December 31, 2011, all of our outstanding common stock was owned by General Electric Capital Services, Inc. ( GECS ), formerly General Electric Financial Services, Inc., the common stock of which was in turn wholly-owned by General Electric Company ( GE ). Financing and services offered by GECC are diversified, a significant change from the original business of GECC, which was financing distribution and sale of consumer and other GE products. Currently, GE manufactures few of the products financed by GECC.

GECC operates in five segments: Commercial Lending and Leasing, Consumer, Real Estate, Energy Financial Services and GE Capital Aviation Services. These operations are subject to a variety of regulatory regimes in their respective jurisdictions. Our operations are located in North America, South America, Europe, Australia and Asia.

GECC s principal executive offices are located at 901 Main Avenue, Norwalk, Connecticut 06851-1168, and its telephone number is 203-840-6300.

#### **Recent Developments**

On February 22, 2012, our parent, GECS was merged with and into, GECC. The merger simplified GE s financial services corporate structure by consolidating financial services entities and assets within its organization and simplifying SEC and regulatory reporting. Upon the merger, GECC became the surviving corporation and assumed all of GECS rights and obligations and became wholly-owned directly by GE. GECC s continuing operations now include the run-off insurance operations previously held and managed in GECS. References to GECS or GECC in this Prospectus Supplement prior to February 22, 2012 relate to the entities as they existed prior to that date and do not reflect the February 22, 2012 merger.

We are a savings and loan holding company under U.S. law and became subject to Federal Reserve Board (FRB) supervision and regulation on July 21, 2011, the one-year anniversary of enactment of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. In November 2011, the FRB issued a final rule that requires certain large bank holding companies it supervises to submit annual capital plans for review, including institutions—plans to make capital distributions, such as dividend payments. The applicability and timing of similar regulation to GECC is not yet determined; however, the FRB has indicated that it expects to extend these requirements to large savings and loan holding companies such as GECC through separate rulemaking or by order.

#### THE OFFERING

The following description contains basic information about the Preferred Stock and this offering. This description is not complete and does not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in the Preferred Stock. For a more complete understanding of the Preferred Stock, you should read Description of the Preferred Stock in this prospectus supplement as well as Description of the Preferred Stock in the accompanying prospectus. To the extent the following information is inconsistent with the information in the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on the following information.

**Issuer** General Electric

**Capital Corporation** 

Securities Offered 22,

22,500 shares of

Fixed-to-Floating

Rate

Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A, \$0.01 par value, with a liquidation preference of

\$100,000 per share

of GECC.

We reserve the right to re-open this series of preferred stock and issue additional shares of the Preferred Stock either through public or private sales at any time and from time to time. The additional shares would be the same series as the Preferred Stock.

**Dividends** 

We will pay, to the extent of lawfully available funds, dividends based on the liquidation preference of the Preferred Stock, when, as and if declared by our

board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of the board) from the date of issuance to, but excluding June 15, 2022 (the Fixed Rate Period ) at a rate of 7.125% per annum, payable semi-annually, in arrears. From and including June 15, 2022 (the Floating Rate Period ), we will pay, to the extent of lawfully available funds, dividends based on the liquidation preference of the Preferred Stock, when, as and if declared by our board (or a duly authorized committee thereof) at a floating rate equal to three-month LIBOR plus a spread of 5.296% per annum, payable quarterly, in arrears (each such rate, a dividend rate ). See also Dividend Payment Dates on page S-4.

Dividends on the Preferred Stock will not be cumulative and will not be mandatory. If our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of the board) does not declare a dividend on the Preferred

Stock in respect of a dividend period, then no dividend shall be deemed to have accrued for such dividend period, be payable on the applicable dividend payment date or be cumulative, and we will have no obligation to pay any dividend for that dividend period, whether or not our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of our board) declares a dividend for any future dividend period on the Preferred Stock or any series of our preferred stock or common stock, or upon a redemption in whole or in part of the Preferred Stock.

References to the accrual (or similar terms) of dividends in this prospectus supplement refer only to the determination of the amount of such dividend and do not imply that any right to a dividend arises prior to the date on which a dividend is declared.

While the Preferred Stock remains outstanding, unless, in each case, the full dividends for the preceding dividend period on all outstanding shares of Preferred Stock have been declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof has been set aside:

no dividend will be declared or paid or set aside for payment and no distribution will be declared or made or set aside for payment on any junior stock, other than:

a dividend payable solely in junior stock, or

any dividend in connection with the implementation of a stockholders rights plan, or the redemption, repurchase or exchange of any rights under any such plan;

no shares of junior stock shall be purchased, redeemed or otherwise acquired for consideration by us, directly or indirectly (nor shall any monies be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such securities by us) other than:

as a result of a reclassification of junior stock for or into other junior stock,

the exchange or conversion of one share of junior stock for or into another share of junior stock,

through the use of the proceeds of a substantially contemporaneous sale of other shares of junior stock,

purchases, redemptions or other acquisitions of shares of the junior stock in connection with any employment contract, benefit plan or other similar arrangement with or for the benefit of employees, officers, directors or consultants,

purchases of shares of junior stock pursuant to a contractually binding requirement to buy junior stock existing prior to the preceding dividend period, including under a contractually binding stock repurchase plan, or

the purchase of fractional interests in shares of junior stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such stock or the security being converted or exchanged; and

no shares of parity stock shall be purchased, redeemed or otherwise acquired for consideration by us, directly or indirectly, other than:

pursuant to offers to purchase all, or a pro rata portion, of the Preferred Stock and such parity stock,

by conversion into or exchange for junior stock,

as a result of a reclassification of parity stock for or into other parity stock,

through the use of the proceeds of a substantially contemporaneous sale of other shares of parity stock,

purchases, redemptions or other acquisitions of shares of the parity stock in connection with any employment contract, benefit plan or other similar arrangement with or for the benefit of employees, officers, directors or consultants, or

the purchase of fractional interests in shares of junior stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such stock or the security being converted or exchanged.

When dividends are not paid in full upon the shares of the Preferred Stock and any parity stock, all dividends declared upon shares of the Preferred Stock and any parity stock will be declared on a proportional basis so that the ratio of dividends to be declared on the Preferred Stock for the then-current dividend period to dividends to be declared on any parity stock is the same as the ratio of accrued but undeclared dividends on the Preferred Stock for the then-current dividend period to accrued but undeclared dividends, including any accumulations in the case of parity stock that accrue cumulative dividends, on any parity stock.

#### Dividend Payment Dates

When, as and if declared by our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of our board), dividends will be payable on the Preferred Stock on the following dates (each such date, a dividend payment date ): during the Fixed Rate Period, dividends will be payable semi-annually, in arrears, on June 15 and December 15 of each year, beginning on December 15, 2012 and ending on June 15, 2022; and during the Floating Rate Period, dividends will be payable quarterly, in arrears, on March 15, June 15, September 15 and December 15 of each year, beginning on September 15, 2022. In the event that any dividend payment date during the Fixed Rate Period on which dividends would otherwise be payable is not a Business Day (as defined herein), the dividend payment date will be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day without any adjustment to the dividend amount. In the event that any dividend payment date during the Floating Rate Period on which dividends would otherwise be payable is not a Business Day, the dividend payment date will be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day and dividends will accrue to, but excluding, the date dividends are paid. However, if the postponement would cause the dividend payment date to fall in the next calendar month during the Floating Rate Period, the dividend payment date will instead be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day. Dividends payable on the Preferred Stock for the Fixed Rate Period will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Dividends payable on the Preferred Stock for the Floating Rate Period will be

computed based on the actual number of days in a dividend period and a 360-day year.

#### Redemption

The Preferred Stock is perpetual and has no maturity date. We may redeem the Preferred Stock at our option, (i) in whole or in part, from time to time, on any dividend payment date on or after June 15, 2022 at a redemption price equal to \$100,000 per share, plus any declared and unpaid dividends to but not including the redemption date, or (ii) in whole but not in part, at any time within 90 days following a Regulatory Capital Treatment Event (as defined herein), at a redemption price equal to \$100,000 per share, plus any declared and unpaid dividends to but not including the redemption date.

A Regulatory Capital Treatment Event means the

good faith

determination by

GECC that, as a

result of (i) any

amendment to, or

change in, the laws

or regulations of

the United States

or any political

subdivision of or

in the United

States that is

enacted or

becomes effective

after the initial

issuance of any

share of Preferred

Stock; (ii) any

proposed

amendment to, or

change in, those

laws or regulations

that is announced

after the initial

issuance of any

share of Preferred

Stock; or (iii) any

official

administrative

decision or judicial

decision or

administrative

action or other

official

pronouncement

interpreting or

applying those

laws or regulations

that is announced

after the initial

issuance of any

share of Preferred

Stock, such that, in

any such case,

there is more than

an insubstantial

risk that (a) the

full liquidation

preference of the

shares of Preferred

Stock outstanding from time to time would not qualify as Tier 1 Capital (or its equivalent) for purposes of the capital adequacy guidelines or regulations of the FRB (or other appropriate successor federal banking agency), as in effect from time to time, or (b) GECC would not be able to utilize the full liquidation value of the shares of Preferred Stock then outstanding in satisfaction of capital adequacy requirements of the FRB (or other appropriate successor federal banking agency) to which GECC is subject, in either case, for as long as any share of Preferred Stock is outstanding. Dividends will cease to accrue on those shares on the redemption date.

Redemption of the Preferred Stock is subject to our receipt of any required prior approval from the FRB and to the satisfaction of any conditions set forth in the capital guidelines or

regulations of the FRB applicable to the redemption by GECC of the Preferred Stock.

In no event will the holders of Preferred Stock have the right to require the redemption or purchase by GECC of the Preferred Stock.

## **Liquidation Rights**

In the event we liquidate, dissolve or wind-up our business and affairs, either voluntarily or involuntarily, holders of the Preferred Stock are entitled to receive a liquidating distribution of \$100,000 per share, plus any declared and unpaid dividends, without accumulation of any undeclared

dividends, out of assets of the Corporation available for distribution to stockholders before we make any distribution of assets to the holders of our junior stock. Distributions will be made only to the extent of GECC s assets that are available after satisfaction of all liabilities to creditors and subject to the rights of holders of any securities ranking senior to the Preferred Stock and pro rata as to the Preferred Stock and any other shares of our stock ranking equally as to such distribution. Holders of the Preferred Stock will not be entitled to any other amounts from us after they have received their full liquidating

#### **Voting Rights**

None, except as required by law or expressly set forth in the certificate of designations. The

distribution.

certificate of designations shall provide a vote to holders of the Preferred Stock with respect to the right to elect certain directors in the case of certain dividend non- payments. See Description of the Preferred Stock Voting Rights below.

#### **Ranking**

Shares of the Preferred Stock will rank senior to our common stock and pari passu with any other series of our preferred stock and any other class or series of our capital stock we may issue which by its terms does not expressly provide that it ranks junior to the Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends and distributions of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of GECC. The terms of the Preferred Stock provide that we may not issue any class or series of capital

stock that, by its

terms, expressly

provides that it

ranks senior to

the Preferred

Stock with

respect to the

payment of

dividends or

distributions of

assets upon

liquidation,

dissolution or

winding up of

GECC. As a

result, absent an

amendment to

our Restated

Certificate of

Incorporation

which, under the

Delaware

General

Corporation Law,

would require the

consent of the

holders of a

majority of the

common stock

voting separately

as a class and the

holders of a

majority of the

Preferred Stock

voting together

as a class with

any other series

of preferred stock

entitled to vote

thereon, we are

not permitted to

issue preferred

stock or any

other class or

series of our

capital stock

ranking senior to

the Preferred

Stock with

respect to the

payment of dividends or distributions of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of GECC. See Description of the Preferred Stock General. We will generally be able to pay dividends and distributions only out of lawfully available funds for such payment and to pay distributions upon liquidation, dissolution and winding up only after satisfaction of all claims for indebtedness and other non-equity claims. As of the date of this prospectus supplement, we have no outstanding

#### **No Maturity**

The Preferred Stock is perpetual and does not have a maturity date, and we are not required to redeem the Preferred Stock. Accordingly, the Preferred Stock will remain outstanding indefinitely,

preferred stock.

unless and until we decide

to redeem it (which redemption is subject to any required prior approval of the FRB).

#### **Preemptive and Conversion Rights**

None.

#### **Tax Consequences**

For discussion of

the tax

consequences relating to the Preferred Stock, see U.S. Federal Income Tax

Consequences in this prospectus supplement.

#### **Use of Proceeds**

We estimate that the net proceeds of this offering will be approximately \$2,227,500,000 after deducting underwriting commissions but before offering expenses. GECC expects to use the net proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Stock offered hereby for general corporate

purposes.

#### **Risk Factors**

Please refer to
Risk Factors and other information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying

prospectus for a discussion of factors you should consider carefully before deciding to invest in the Preferred Stock.

Transfer Agent, Registrar & Dividend

**Disbursing Agent** 

Computershare Shareowner Services

**Calculation Agent** 

The Bank of New York Mellon

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#### RISK FACTORS

Your investment in the Preferred Stock involves risks. This prospectus supplement does not describe all of those risks. Before purchasing any of our shares of Preferred Stock, you should carefully consider the following risk factors, which are specific to the Preferred Stock being offered, as well as the risks and other information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, including the discussion under Item 1A Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, as such discussion may be amended or updated in other reports filed by us with the SEC.

# The Preferred Stock is equity and is subordinate to our existing and future indebtedness and may be junior in rights and preferences to future preferred stock.

The shares of Preferred Stock are equity interests in GECC and do not constitute indebtedness. The shares of Preferred Stock will rank junior to all indebtedness and other non-equity claims on GECC with respect to assets available to satisfy claims on GECC, including in a liquidation of GECC. Our existing and future indebtedness may restrict payment of dividends on the Preferred Stock.

Additionally, unlike indebtedness, where principal and interest customarily are payable on specified due dates, in the case of preferred stock like the Preferred Stock, (1) dividends are payable only when, as and if declared by our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of the board), (2) dividends do not cumulate if they are not declared and (3) as a corporation, we are subject to restrictions on payments of dividends and redemption price out of lawfully available funds. Also, GECC subject to declare and pay dividends and redeem the Preferred Stock may be dependent on certain federal regulatory considerations. In particular, while the impact of many of the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act is not yet known, a number of its provisions, such as certain mandated capital requirements, together with new capital standards under the Basel III initiatives of the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision, may impose on GECC the requirement to maintain more and higher quality capital than has historically been the case. Such provisions could adversely affect our ability to pay dividends or may result in additional limitations on our ability to pay dividends, redeem the Preferred Stock or make other distributions of capital. Further, the Preferred Stock places no restrictions on our business or operations or on our ability to incur indebtedness or engage in any transactions, subject only to the limited voting rights referred to below under Description of the Preferred Stock Voting Rights.

The terms of the Preferred Stock provide that we may not issue any class or series of capital stock that, by its terms, expressly provides that it ranks senior to the Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends or distributions of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of GECC. As a result, absent an amendment to our Restated Certificate of Incorporation which, under the Delaware General Corporation Law, would require the consent of the holders of a majority of the common stock voting separately as a class and the holders of a majority of the Preferred Stock voting together as a class with any other series of preferred stock entitled to vote thereon, we are not permitted to issue preferred stock or any other class or series of our capital stock ranking senior to the Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends or distributions of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of GECC. If such an amendment is approved, we may issue preferred stock ranking senior to the Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends and distributions of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of GECC. The Preferred Stock would be junior to such senior preferred stock. The terms of any future preferred stock expressly senior to the Preferred Stock may restrict dividend payments on the Preferred Stock. In this case, unless full dividends for all outstanding preferred stock senior to the Preferred Stock have been declared and paid or set aside for payment, no dividends will be declared or paid and no distribution will be made on any shares of the Preferred Stock, and no shares of the Preferred Stock will be permitted to be purchased, redeemed or otherwise acquired by GECC, directly or indirectly, for consideration. This could result in dividends on the Preferred Stock not being paid to you.

Further, except as described above, we are not restricted from issuing additional shares of our preferred stock, including in each case additional shares of Preferred Stock, during the life of the

Preferred Stock. If we issue such additional securities, it may materially and adversely affect the price of the Preferred Stock.

# Investors should not expect GECC to redeem the Preferred Stock on the date it becomes redeemable or on any particular date after it becomes redeemable.

The Preferred Stock is a perpetual equity security. This means that the Preferred Stock has no maturity or mandatory redemption date and is not redeemable at the option of investors. The Preferred Stock may be redeemed by us at our option, (i) either in whole or in part, on any dividend payment date on or after June 15, 2022, or (ii) in whole but not in part, at any time within 90 days following a Regulatory Capital Treatment Event. In addition to any limitations set forth under Delaware law, our right to redeem the Preferred Stock is subject to two important limitations discussed in more detail below. First, any redemption of the Preferred Stock is subject to our receipt of any required prior approval by the FRB and to the satisfaction of any conditions set forth in the capital guidelines or regulations of the FRB applicable to redemption by GECC of the Preferred Stock. We cannot assure you that the FRB will approve any redemption of the Preferred Stock that we may propose. Second, our right to redeem may be limited by any replacement capital covenants that we may enter into in the future with respect to the Preferred Stock, as discussed below.

# Our right to redeem the Preferred Stock is subject to certain limitations, including any required prior approval of the FRB and any future replacement capital covenants.

Our right to redeem the Preferred Stock is subject to any limitations established by the FRB. Any redemption of the Preferred Stock is subject to our receipt of any required prior approval by the FRB and to the satisfaction of any conditions set forth in the capital guidelines or regulations of the FRB applicable to redemption by GECC of the Preferred Stock. We cannot assure you that the FRB will concur with or approve any redemption of the Preferred Stock that we may propose.

In addition, in the future we may enter into a replacement capital covenant with respect to the Preferred Stock that may limit our right to redeem the Preferred Stock. We have previously covenanted for the benefit of holders of a designated series of our indebtedness that ranks senior to the Preferred Stock not to redeem or purchase, or cause our subsidiaries to redeem or purchase, certain of our outstanding subordinated indebtedness during certain specified periods unless we have received proceeds from the sale of eligible replacement capital securities. If we were to use the proceeds of the sale of the Preferred Stock as replacement capital securities, we may enter into a new replacement capital covenant with respect to the Preferred Stock or otherwise make representations to the effect that we will receive proceeds from the sale of qualifying replacement capital securities prior to redeeming the Preferred Stock during a specified period. As such, there could be circumstances in which it would be in the interest of both you and GECC that some or all of the Preferred Stock be redeemed and in which sufficient cash is available for that purpose, but we would be restricted from doing so because we were not able to obtain proceeds from the sale of replacement capital securities.

#### Dividends on the Preferred Stock are discretionary, non-cumulative and subject to FRB limitations.

Dividends on the Preferred Stock are discretionary and will not be cumulative. If our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of the board) does not declare a dividend on the Preferred Stock in respect of a dividend period, then no dividend shall be deemed to have accrued for such dividend period, be payable on the applicable dividend payment date or be cumulative, and we will have no obligation to pay any dividend for that dividend period, whether or not our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of our board) declares a dividend for any future dividend period on the Preferred Stock or any other series of our preferred stock or on our common stock.

Furthermore, the FRB, in its expectation that we act as a source of financial strength to our subsidiaries that take deposits that are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, will require us to inform and consult with the

FRB before paying dividends that could raise safety and soundness concerns.

If we are deferring payments on our outstanding junior subordinated debt securities or if we are in default under the indentures governing those securities, we will be prohibited from making distributions on or redeeming the Preferred Stock.

The terms of our outstanding junior subordinated debt securities prohibit us from declaring or paying any dividends or distributions on the Preferred Stock, or redeeming, purchasing, acquiring or making a liquidation payment with respect to the Preferred Stock, if we are aware of any event that would be an event of default under the indenture governing those junior subordinated debt securities or at any time when we have deferred interest as permitted thereunder.

Without notice to, or consent from, the holders of the Preferred Stock, we may also issue additional series of junior subordinated debt securities or other securities in the future with terms similar to our existing junior debt securities or that otherwise restrict our making of distributions on or redeeming of the Preferred Stock. The terms of the existing and any future securities could result in dividends on the Preferred Stock not being paid to you.

Additionally, when dividends are not paid in full upon the shares of the Preferred Stock and any parity stock, all dividends declared upon shares of the Preferred Stock and any parity stock will be declared on a proportional basis so that the ratio of dividends to be declared on the Preferred Stock for the then-current dividend period to dividends to be declared on any parity stock is the same as the ratio of accrued but undeclared dividends on the Preferred Stock for the then-current dividend period to accrued but undeclared dividends, including any accumulations in the case of parity stock that accrue cumulative dividends, on any parity stock. Therefore, if we are not paying full dividends on any outstanding parity stock, we will not be able to pay full dividends on the Preferred Stock.

#### Holders of the Preferred Stock will have limited voting rights.

Holders of the Preferred Stock have no voting rights with respect to matters that generally require the approval of voting stockholders. Holders will have limited voting rights in the event of non-payments of dividends under certain circumstances and as otherwise required by law, as described under Description of the Preferred Stock Voting Rights.

# General market conditions and unpredictable factors could adversely affect market prices for the Preferred Stock.

There can be no assurance about the market prices for the Preferred Stock. Several factors, many of which are beyond our control, will influence the market prices of the Preferred Stock. Factors that might influence the market prices of the Preferred Stock include:

whether we declare or fail to declare dividends on the Preferred Stock from time to time:

our creditworthiness;

operating results that vary from the expectations of securities

analysts and investors;

the financial performance of the major industries which we serve;

the operating and securities price performance of companies that investors consider to be comparable to us;

announcements of strategic developments, acquisitions and other material events by us or our competitors;

a downgrade, suspension or withdrawal of any rating assigned to us by a rating agency;

interest rates;

developments in the credit, mortgage and housing markets, the markets for securities relating to mortgages or housing and developments with respect to financial institutions generally;

the market for similar securities; and

economic, financial, geopolitical, regulatory or judicial events that affect us or the financial markets generally.

Accordingly, the Preferred Stock that an investor purchases, whether in this offering or in the secondary market, may trade at a discount to their cost.

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#### We cannot assure you that a liquid trading market for the Preferred Stock will develop.

The shares of the Preferred Stock are a new issue of securities with no established trading market. We do not intend to list the shares of the Preferred Stock on any stock exchange or make available on any national quotation system. The underwriters have advised us that they intend to make a market in the Preferred Stock. However, they are not obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making in the Preferred Stock at any time in their sole discretion. Therefore, we cannot assure you that a liquid trading market for the Preferred Stock will develop, that you will be able to sell the Preferred Stock at a particular time or that the price you receive when you sell will be favorable. Because the Preferred Stock does not have a stated maturity date, investors seeking liquidity in the Preferred Stock will be limited to selling their Preferred Stock in the secondary market.

The distributions we pay on the Preferred Stock may not qualify as dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which could adversely affect the U.S. federal income tax consequences to you of owning the Preferred Stock.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, a distribution that we pay on a share of Preferred Stock will be treated as a dividend only to the extent the distribution is paid out of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes (which we refer to as Tax E&P).

While GECC and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis had substantial historical undistributed GAAP earnings as of the end of 2011, GECC had no accumulated Tax E&P as of the end of 2011. Furthermore, our ability to generate Tax E&P in 2012 or any future year is subject to a number of variables that are uncertain and difficult to predict. Accordingly, we anticipate there could be years in which we do not have Tax E&P. Therefore, you should not purchase the Preferred Stock with the expectation that distributions we pay on the Preferred Stock will be treated as dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

To the extent that our Tax E&P is insufficient and distributions we pay on a share of Preferred Stock are not treated as dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes, if you are a domestic corporation, you will not be entitled to claim a dividends-received deduction, which generally applies to dividends received from other domestic corporations. In addition, if all or any portion of a distribution that you receive on a share of Preferred Stock is not treated as a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes, you (whether or not a domestic corporation) will be required (i) to reduce your tax basis in that share, but not below zero, to the extent that the distribution is not treated as a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and, on a subsequent taxable disposition of your share, you will recognize a greater amount of gain (or a lower amount of loss) than you otherwise would have recognized if the distribution had been treated entirely as a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes or (ii) once your tax basis is reduced to zero, recognize gain immediately, which gain, in either case, may be subject to tax at a higher rate than applies to dividends. In the case of a domestic corporation, any such gain will effectively be taxed at the full ordinary tax rate (instead of the lower effective rate applicable to dividend income by reason of the dividends-received deduction).

In addition, we may not be able to determine whether we had current or accumulated Tax E&P with respect to distributions paid on shares of Preferred Stock in a particular calendar year until after the date on which reporting agents are required to send IRS Forms 1099-DIV (Dividends and Distributions) with respect to those distributions. In such a circumstance, we expect that, under applicable Treasury regulations, reporting agents will initially report those distributions as dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes on IRS Forms 1099-DIV. If we later determine that the distributions did not, in fact, constitute dividends for U.S. federal income tax, you may receive a corrected IRS Form 1099-DIV and you may therefore need to file an amended federal, state or local income tax return.

See U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences for a more detailed description of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of shares of Preferred Stock.

# CONSOLIDATED RATIO OF EARNINGS TO COMBINED FIXED CHARGES AND PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDENDS

The table below sets forth GECC s consolidated ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends for the periods presented.

	Three Months Ended March 31		Year Ended December 31			
	$2012^{(2)}$	2011(3)	$2010^{(3)}$	2009(3)	$2008^{(3)}$	$2007^{(3)}$
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Preferred Stock Dividends <sup>(1)</sup>	1.60x	1.52x	1.13x	0.83x	1.26x	1.62x

(1) Earnings is calculated as Earnings (loss) before income taxes, noncontrolling interests, discontinued operations and undistributed earnings of equity investees, plus interest included in expense, including on tax deficiencies, and one third of rental expense, which **GECC** considers to be representative of the interest factor of rental expense. Fixed Charges and Preferred

Stock

Dividends are

calculated as interest included in expense, interest capitalized, one third of rental expense, which GECC considers to be representative of the interest factor of rental expense, and pre-tax preferred stock dividends.

- (2) The ratio of earnings to fixed charges and preferred stock dividends for the three months ended March 31, 2012 reflects the February 22, 2012 merger of GECS with and into GECC from that date.
- (3) The ratio of earnings to fixed charges and preferred stock dividends for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively, do not reflect the February 22, 2012 merger of

GECS with and into GECC.

# **USE OF PROCEEDS**

We estimate that the net proceeds of this offering will be approximately \$2,227,500,000 after deducting underwriting commissions but before offering expenses. GECC expects to use the net proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Stock offered hereby for general corporate purposes.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED STOCK

The following description of the terms of the Preferred Stock supersedes the description of the terms of the Preferred Stock contained in the accompanying prospectus.

#### General

Our authorized capital stock includes 750,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share, as reflected in our Restated Certificate of Incorporation. Our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of the board) is authorized without further stockholder action to cause the issuance of shares of preferred stock, including the Preferred Stock. Any additional preferred stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series, each with powers, rights, preferences, qualifications, limitations, restrictions, dividend rights, dissolution rights, conversion rights, exchange rights and redemption rights and other rights as our board (or a duly authorized committee of the board) may determine at the time of issuance.

As of the date of this prospectus supplement we have no outstanding series of preferred stock.

The Preferred Stock is a single series of our authorized preferred stock. We are offering 22,500 shares of the Preferred Stock in the aggregate by this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Shares of the Preferred Stock, upon issuance against full payment of the purchase price for the Preferred Stock, will be fully paid and nonassessable.

Shares of the Preferred Stock will rank senior to our common stock and *pari passu* with any other series of our preferred stock and any other class or series of our capital stock we may issue which by its terms does not expressly provide that it ranks junior to the Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends and distributions of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of GECC. The terms of the Preferred Stock provide that we may not issue any class or series of capital stock that, by its terms, expressly provides that it ranks senior to the Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends or distributions of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of GECC. As a result, absent an amendment to our Restated Certificate of Incorporation which, under the Delaware General Corporation Law, would require the consent of the holders of a majority of the common stock voting separately as a class and the holders of a majority of the Preferred Stock voting together as a class with any other series of preferred stock entitled to vote thereon, we are not permitted to issue preferred stock or any other class or series of our capital stock ranking senior to the Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends or distributions of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of GECC. In addition, we will generally be able to pay dividends only out of lawfully available funds for such payment and distributions upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up only after satisfaction of all claims for indebtedness and other non-equity claims.

The Preferred Stock will not be convertible into, or exchangeable for, shares of any other class or series of stock or other securities of GECC. The Preferred Stock has no stated maturity and will not be subject to any sinking fund or other obligation of GECC to redeem or purchase the Preferred Stock. The holders of shares of the Preferred Stock will have no preemptive rights with respect to any shares of our capital stock or any of our other securities convertible into or carrying rights or options to purchase any such capital stock.

The authorized number of shares of the Preferred Stock initially is 22,500. Such number of shares may be increased or decreased by resolution of the board of directors (or a duly authorized committee thereof), without the vote or consent of the holders of the Preferred Stock.

We reserve the right to re-open this series and issue additional shares of the Preferred Stock either through public or private sales at any time and from time to time. The additional shares would be the same series as the Preferred Stock offered by this prospectus supplement. In the event that we issue additional shares of the Preferred Stock after the original issue date, any dividends on such additional shares will accrue from the issue date of such additional shares.

#### **Dividends**

Dividends on the Preferred Stock will not be cumulative and will not be mandatory. If our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of the board) does not declare a dividend on the Preferred Stock in respect of a dividend period, then no dividend shall be deemed to have accrued for such dividend period, be payable on the applicable dividend payment date or be cumulative, and we will have no obligation to pay any dividend for that dividend period, whether or not our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of our board) declares a dividend for any future dividend period on the Preferred Stock or any other series of our preferred stock or on our common stock. Holders of the Preferred Stock will be entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of the board), out of assets legally available for the payment of dividends, non-cumulative cash dividends based on the liquidation preference of the Preferred Stock at a rate equal to (1) 7.125% per annum for each semi-annual dividend period from the original issue date of the Preferred Stock to, but excluding, June 15, 2022 (the Fixed Rate Period ), and (2) three-month LIBOR plus a spread of 5.296% per annum, for each quarterly dividend period from June 15, 2022 to, but not including, the redemption date of the Preferred Stock, if any (the Floating Rate Period ).

References to the accrual (or similar terms) of dividends in this prospectus supplement refer only to the determination of the amount of such dividend and do not imply that any right to a dividend arises prior to the date on which a dividend is declared.

The FRB, in its expectation that we act as a source of financial strength to our subsidiaries that take deposits that are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, has reiterated the requirement to inform and consult with the FRB before paying dividends that could raise safety and soundness concerns.

When, as and if declared by our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of our board), dividends will be payable on the Preferred Stock on the following dates (each such date, referred to as a dividend payment date): during the Fixed Rate Period, dividends will be payable semi-annually, in arrears, on June 15 and December 15 of each year, beginning on December 15, 2012 and ending on June 15, 2022; and during the Floating Rate Period, dividends will be payable quarterly, in arrears, on March 15, June 15, September 15 and December 15 of each year, beginning on September 15, 2022. In the event that any dividend payment date during the Fixed Rate Period on which dividends would otherwise be payable is not a Business Day, the dividend payment date will be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day, without any adjustment to the dividend amount. In the event that any dividend payment date during the Floating Rate Period on which dividends would otherwise be payable is not a Business Day, the dividend payment date will be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day and dividends will accrue to, but excluding, the date dividends are paid. However, if the postponement would cause the dividend payment date to fall in the next calendar month during the Floating Rate Period, the dividend payment date will instead be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day. A Business Day means any weekday that is not a legal holiday in New York, New York and that is not a day on which banking institutions in New York, New York are authorized or required by law or regulation to be closed.

Dividends will be payable to holders of record of the Preferred Stock as they appear on our stock register on the applicable record date, which shall be the 15<sup>th</sup> calendar day before the applicable dividend payment date, or such other record date, no earlier than 30 calendar days before the applicable payment date, as shall be fixed by our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of our board).

A dividend period is the period from and including a dividend payment date to, but excluding, the next dividend payment date (without giving effect during the Fixed Rate Period to any adjustment of the dividend payment date because any such date is not a Business Day), except that the initial dividend period during the Fixed Rate Period will commence on and include the original issue date of the Preferred Stock. Dividends payable on the Preferred Stock for the Fixed Rate Period will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Dividends payable on the Preferred Stock for the Floating Rate Period will be computed based on

the actual number of days in a dividend period and a 360-day year. Dollar amounts resulting from that calculation will be rounded to the nearest cent, with one-half cent being rounded upward. Dividends on the Preferred Stock will cease to accrue on the redemption date, if any, as described below under Redemption, unless we default in the redemption (which would include a default in the payment of the redemption price) of the shares of the Preferred Stock called for redemption.

The dividend rate for each dividend period in the Floating Rate Period will be determined by the calculation agent using three-month LIBOR as in effect on the second London banking day prior to the beginning of the dividend period, which date is the dividend determination date for the dividend period. The calculation agent then will add the spread of 5.296% per annum to the three-month LIBOR as determined on the dividend determination date. Absent manifest error, the calculation agent s determination of the dividend rate for a dividend period for the Preferred Stock will be binding and conclusive on you, the transfer agent and us. The calculation agent will notify us of each determination of the dividend rate and will make the dividend rate available to any stockholder upon request. A London banking day is any day on which dealings in deposits in U.S. dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

The calculation agent means, at any time, the person or entity appointed by us and serving as such agent at such time. We may terminate any such appointment and may appoint a successor agent at any time and from time to time, provided that we will use our best efforts to ensure that there is, at all relevant times when the Preferred Stock is outstanding, a person or entity appointed and serving as such agent. The calculation agent may be a person or entity affiliated with us.

The term three-month LIBOR means the London interbank offered rate for deposits in U.S. dollars having an index maturity of three months in amounts of at least \$1,000,000, as that rate appears on Reuters screen page LIBOR01 at approximately 11:00 a.m., London time, on the relevant dividend determination date. If no offered rate appears on Reuters screen page LIBOR01 on the relevant dividend determination date at approximately 11:00 a.m., London time, then the calculation agent, after consultation with us, will select four major banks (which may include affiliates of the underwriters of the Preferred Stock) in the London interbank market and will request each of their principal London offices to provide a quotation of the rate at which three-month deposits in U.S. dollars in amounts of at least \$1,000,000 are offered by it to prime banks in the London interbank market, on that date and at that time, that is representative of single transactions at that time. If at least two quotations are provided, three-month LIBOR will be the arithmetic average (rounded upward, if necessary, to the nearest .00001 of 1%) of the quotations provided. Otherwise, the calculation agent, after consultation with us, will select three major banks (which may include affiliates of the underwriters of the Preferred Stock) in New York City and will request each of them to provide a quotation of the rate offered by it at approximately 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on the dividend determination date for loans in U.S. dollars to leading European banks having an index maturity of three months for the applicable dividend period in an amount of at least \$1,000,000 that is representative of single transactions at that time. If three quotations are provided, three-month LIBOR will be the arithmetic average (rounded upward, if necessary, to the nearest .00001 of 1%) of the quotations provided. Otherwise, three-month LIBOR for the next dividend period will be equal to three-month LIBOR in effect for the then-current dividend period.

While the Preferred Stock remains outstanding, unless, in each case, the full dividends for the preceding dividend period on all outstanding shares of the Preferred Stock have been declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof has been set aside, (1) no dividend will be declared or paid or set aside for payment and no distribution will be declared or made or set aside for payment on any junior stock (other than (i) a dividend payable solely in junior stock or (ii) any dividend in connection with the implementation of a stockholders—rights plan, or the redemption, repurchase or exchange of any rights under any such plan), (2) no shares of junior stock shall be purchased, redeemed or otherwise acquired for consideration by us, directly or indirectly (nor shall any monies be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such securities by us) (other than (i) as a result of a reclassification of junior stock for or into other junior stock, (ii) the exchange or conversion of one share of junior stock for or into another share of junior stock, (iii) through the use of the proceeds of a substantially contemporaneous

other shares of junior stock, (iv) purchases, redemptions or other acquisitions of shares of the junior stock in connection with any employment contract, benefit plan or other similar arrangement with or for the benefit of employees, officers, directors or consultants, (v) purchases of shares of junior stock pursuant to a contractually binding requirement to buy junior stock existing prior to the preceding dividend period, including under a contractually binding stock repurchase plan, or (vi) the purchase of fractional interests in shares of junior stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such stock or the security being converted or exchanged) and (3) no shares of parity stock shall be purchased, redeemed or otherwise acquired for consideration by us, directly or indirectly (other than (i) pursuant to offers to purchase all, or a pro rata portion, of the Preferred Stock and such parity stock, (ii) by conversion into or exchange for junior stock, (iii) as a result of a reclassification of parity stock for or into other parity stock, (iv) through the use of the proceeds of a substantially contemporaneous sale of other shares of parity stock, (v) purchases, redemptions or other acquisitions of shares of the parity stock in connection with any employment contract, benefit plan or other similar arrangement with or for the benefit of employees, officers, directors or consultants, or (vi) the purchase of fractional interests in shares of junior stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such stock or the security being converted or exchanged).

For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in the foregoing paragraph shall limit us from taking any of the actions set forth in that paragraph after the original issue date of the Preferred Stock and prior to the first dividend payment date on the Preferred Stock.

When dividends are not paid in full upon the shares of the Preferred Stock and any parity stock, all dividends declared upon shares of the Preferred Stock and any parity stock will be declared on a proportional basis so that the ratio of dividends to be declared on the Preferred Stock for the then-current dividend period to dividends to be declared on any parity stock is the same as the ratio of accrued but undeclared dividends on the Preferred Stock for the then-current dividend period to accrued but undeclared dividends, including any accumulations in the case of parity stock that accrue cumulative dividends, on any parity stock.

As used in this prospectus supplement, junior stock means our common stock and any other class or series of stock of GECC now or hereafter authorized over which the Preferred Stock has preference or priority in the payment of dividends or in the distribution of assets on any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of GECC.

As used in this prospectus supplement, parity stock means any other class or series of stock of GECC that ranks on a parity with the Preferred Stock in the payment of dividends and in the distribution of assets on any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of GECC.

Subject to the considerations described above, and not otherwise, dividends (payable in cash, stock or otherwise), as may be determined by our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of the board), may be declared and paid on our junior stock and our parity stock from time to time out of any assets legally available for such payment, and the holders of the Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to participate in any such dividend.

# Redemption

The Preferred Stock is perpetual and has no maturity date. The Preferred Stock is not subject to any mandatory redemption, sinking fund or other similar provisions.

*Optional Redemption.* We may redeem, out of lawfully available funds, the Preferred Stock at our option, in whole or in part, from time to time, on any dividend payment date on or after June 15, 2022, at a redemption price equal to \$100,000 per share, plus any declared and unpaid dividends, without accumulation of any undeclared dividends. In no event will the holders of the Preferred Stock have the right to require the redemption or purchase by GECC of the Preferred Stock.

**Redemption Following a Regulatory Capital Treatment Event.** We, at our option, may redeem at any time within 90 days following a Regulatory Capital Treatment Event, all (but not less than all) of the shares of Preferred Stock at the time outstanding, at a redemption price equal to \$100,000 per share, plus any declared and unpaid dividends, without accumulation of any undeclared

dividends, on the shares of Preferred Stock called for redemption up to but not including the redemption date. A Regulatory Capital Treatment Event means the good faith determination by GECC that, as a result of (i) any amendment to, or change in, the laws or regulations of the United States or any political subdivision of or in the United States that is enacted or becomes effective after the initial issuance of any share of Preferred Stock; (ii) any proposed amendment to, or change in, those laws or regulations that is announced after the initial issuance of any share of Preferred Stock; or (iii) any official administrative decision or judicial decision or administrative action or other official pronouncement interpreting or applying those laws or regulations that is announced after the initial issuance of any share of Preferred Stock, such that, in any such case, there is more than an insubstantial risk that the (a) full liquidation preference of the shares of Preferred Stock outstanding from time to time would not qualify as Tier 1 Capital (or its equivalent) for purposes of the capital adequacy guidelines or regulations of the FRB (or other appropriate successor federal banking agency), as in effect from time to time, or (b) GECC would not be able to utilize the full liquidation value of the shares of Preferred Stock then outstanding in satisfaction of capital adequacy requirements of the FRB (or other appropriate successor federal banking agency) to which GECC is subject, in either case, for as long as any share of Preferred Stock is outstanding. Dividends will cease to accrue on those shares on the redemption date.

Any redemption or purchase of the Preferred Stock by us is subject to our receipt of any required prior approval from the FRB and to the satisfaction of any conditions set forth in the capital guidelines or regulations of the FRB applicable to redemption or purchase by GECC of the Preferred Stock. See Risk Factors Our right to redeem the Preferred Stock is subject to certain limitations, including any required prior approval of the FRB and any future replacement capital covenants in this prospectus supplement.

**Redemption Procedures.** If shares of the Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the notice of redemption shall be given by first class mail to the holders of record of the Preferred Stock to be redeemed, mailed not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for redemption thereof (provided that, if the shares of the Preferred Stock are held in book-entry form through The Depository Trust Company ( DTC ) we may give such notice in any manner permitted by DTC). Each notice of redemption will include a statement setting forth:

the redemption date;

the number of shares of the Preferred Stock to be redeemed and, if less than all the shares held by the holder are to be redeemed. the number of shares of the Preferred

Stock to be

redeemed from the holder;

the redemption price;

the place or places where the certificates evidencing shares of the Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price; and

that dividends on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on the redemption date.

If notice of redemption of any shares of the Preferred Stock has been duly given and if the funds necessary for such redemption have been irrevocably set aside by us for the benefit of the holders of any shares of the Preferred Stock so called for redemption, then, on and after the redemption date, dividends will cease to accrue on such shares of Preferred Stock, such shares of Preferred Stock shall no longer be deemed outstanding and all rights of the holders of such shares will terminate, except the right to receive the redemption price plus any declared and unpaid dividends without accumulation of any undeclared dividends.

In case of any redemption of only part of the shares of the Preferred Stock at the time outstanding, the shares to be redeemed shall be selected either *pro rata*, by lot or in such other manner as we may determine to be equitable. Subject to the provisions hereof, our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of the board) shall have full power and authority to prescribe the terms and conditions upon which shares of the Preferred Stock shall be redeemed from time to time.

The holders of the Preferred Stock do not have the right to require the redemption or purchase by GECC of the Preferred Stock.

We may purchase and sell the Preferred Stock from time to time to such extent, in such manner, and upon such terms as our board of directors (or a duly authorized committee of the board) may determine.

# **Liquidation Rights**

Upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the business and affairs of GECC, either voluntarily or involuntarily, holders of the Preferred Stock are entitled to receive a liquidating distribution of \$100,000 per share, plus any declared and unpaid dividends, without accumulation of any undeclared dividends, out of assets of the Corporation available for distribution to stockholders before we make any distribution of assets to the holders of our junior stock. Distributions will be made only to the extent of our assets that are available after satisfaction of all liabilities to creditors and subject to the rights of holders of any securities ranking senior to the Preferred Stock and *pro rata* as to the Preferred Stock and any other shares of our stock ranking equally as to such distribution. Holders of the Preferred Stock will not be entitled to any other amounts from us after they have received their full liquidating distribution.

In any such distribution, if our assets are not sufficient to pay the liquidation preferences plus declared and unpaid dividends in full to all holders of the Preferred Stock and all holders of parity stock, the amounts paid to the holders of the Preferred Stock and any parity stock will be paid *pro rata* in accordance with the respective aggregate liquidating distribution owed to those holders. If the liquidation preference plus declared and unpaid dividends has been paid in full to all holders of the Preferred Stock and any parity stock, the holders of our junior stock shall be entitled to receive all remaining assets of GECC according to their respective rights and preferences.

The merger or consolidation by us with any other entity, including a merger or consolidation in which holders of the Preferred Stock receive cash, securities or property for their shares, or the sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of our assets for cash, securities or other property will not constitute a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of our business and affairs.

Our rights and the rights of our creditors and our stockholders, including the holders of the Preferred Stock, to participate in the assets of any of our subsidiaries upon that subsidiary s liquidation or recapitalization may be subject to the prior claims of that subsidiary s creditors, except to the extent that we are a creditor with recognized claims against the subsidiary.

# **Voting Rights**

Except as provided below or as expressly required by law, the holders of shares of Preferred Stock will have no voting power, and no right to vote on any matter at any time, either as a separate series or class or together with any other series or class of shares of capital stock, and will not be entitled to call a meeting of such holders for any purpose, nor will they be entitled to participate in any meeting of the holders of our common stock.

Right to Elect Two Directors upon Nonpayment. If we fail to pay, or declare and set apart for payment, dividends on outstanding shares of the Preferred Stock or any other series of preferred stock upon which equivalent voting rights have been conferred for three semi-annual or six quarterly dividend periods, whether or not consecutive, the number of directors shall automatically be increased by two at our first annual meeting of the stockholders held thereafter, and shall remain increased until continuous noncumulative dividends for at least one year on all outstanding shares of Preferred Stock and any other series of preferred stock upon which equivalent voting rights have been conferred shall have been paid, or declared and set apart for payment, in full. At such annual meeting, the holders of shares of Preferred Stock and all series of other preferred stock upon which equivalent voting rights have been conferred, shall have the right, voting as a class, to elect such two additional members of the Board of Directors to hold office for a term of one year. Upon the payments, or the declarations and setting apart for payments, in full, of continuous noncumulative dividends for at least one year on all outstanding shares of Preferred Stock and any other series of preferred stock upon which equivalent voting rights have been conferred, the terms of the two additional directors so

elected shall forthwith terminate, and the number of directors shall

automatically be reduced by two, and such voting right of the holders of shares of Preferred Stock and such other series of preferred stock upon which equivalent voting rights have been conferred shall cease, subject to increase in the number of directors as described above and to revesting of such voting right in the event of each and every additional failure in the payment of dividends for three semi-annual or six quarterly dividend periods, whether or not consecutive, as described above.

Holders of the Preferred Stock, together with holders of shares of other preferred stock entitled to elect directors, voting together as a class, may remove and replace (without cause) either of the directors they elected. If the office of either such director becomes vacant for any reason other than removal, the remaining director may choose a successor who will hold office for the unexpired term of the vacant office.

Under applicable FRB guidance, if the holders of preferred stock of any series become entitled to vote for the election of directors because dividends on such series are in arrears as described above, under certain circumstances that series would then be deemed a class of voting securities and a holder of 25% or more of such series (or any holder if it is determined by the FRB that such holder otherwise exercises a controlling influence over GECC) would then be subject to regulation as a savings and loan holding company in accordance with the Home Owners Loan Act. In addition, when the series is deemed a class of voting securities, any other savings and loan holding company and any bank holding company would be required to obtain the prior approval of the FRB to acquire more than 5% of that series, and any person or entity other than a savings and loan holding company or a bank holding company would be required to file a prior notice with the FRB to acquire 10% or more of that series.

Voting rights under applicable law. Under current provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law, the holders of issued and outstanding preferred stock are entitled to vote as a class, with the consent of the majority of the class being required to approve an amendment to our Restated Certificate of Incorporation if the amendment would increase or decrease the aggregate number of authorized shares of such class, increase or decrease the par value of the shares of such class, or alter or change the powers, preferences, or special rights of the shares of such class so as to affect them adversely; provided, however, the terms of the Preferred Stock provide that the granting of additional voting rights to holders of the Preferred Stock shall be deemed to not adversely affect the powers, preferences or special rights of the holders of shares of the Preferred Stock and shall be permitted without the consent or vote of any such holders. If any proposed amendment to the Restated Certificate of Incorporation would alter or change the powers, preferences or special rights of one or more series of preferred stock so as to affect them adversely, but shall not so affect the entire class of preferred stock, then only the shares of the series of preferred stock so affected by the amendment shall have a right to vote as a separate class.

Each share of the Preferred Stock will have one vote whenever it is entitled to voting rights.

If we redeem or call for redemption all of the outstanding shares of the Preferred Stock and irrevocably deposit in trust sufficient funds to effect such redemption, the shares of the Preferred Stock will not be deemed outstanding for the purpose of voting and the above voting provisions will not apply.

# Transfer Agent, Registrar & Dividend Disbursing Agent

Computershare Shareowner Services will be the transfer agent, registrar and dividend disbursing agent for the Preferred Stock.

#### **Calculation Agent**

The Bank of New York Mellon will be the calculation agent for the Preferred Stock.

#### **BOOK-ENTRY ISSUANCE**

The Depository Trust Company (the DTC) will act as securities depositary for the Preferred Stock. We will issue one or more fully registered global securities certificates in the name of DTC s nominee, Cede & Co. These certificates will represent the total aggregate number of shares of Preferred Stock. We will deposit these certificates with DTC or a custodian appointed by DTC. We will not issue certificates to you for the shares of Preferred Stock that you purchase, unless DTC s services are discontinued as described below.

Title to book-entry interests in the Preferred Stock will pass by book-entry registration of the transfer within the records of DTC in accordance with its procedures. Book-entry interests in the securities may be transferred within DTC in accordance with procedures established for these purposes by DTC. Each person owning a beneficial interest in the Preferred Stock must rely on the procedures of DTC and the participant through which such person owns its interest to exercise its rights as a holder of the Preferred Stock.

DTC has advised us that it is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a banking organization under the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation under the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a clearing agency registered under the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds securities that its participants (Direct Participants) deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the settlement among Direct Participants of securities transactions, such as transfers and pledges, in deposited securities through electronic computerized book-entry changes in Direct Participants accounts, thereby eliminating in this manner the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is owned by a number of its Direct Participants and by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. Others, like securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies that clear through or maintain custodial relationships with Direct Participants, either directly or indirectly, are indirect participants (Indirect Participants) and also have access to the DTC system. The rules applicable to DTC and its Direct and Indirect Participants are on file with the SEC.

When you purchase the Preferred Stock within the DTC system, the purchase must be made by or through a Direct Participant. The Direct Participant will receive a credit for the Preferred Stock on DTC s records. You, as the actual owner of the Preferred Stock, are the beneficial owner. Your beneficial ownership interest will be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants records, but DTC will have no knowledge of your individual ownership. DTC s records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts shares of Preferred Stock are credited.

You will not receive written confirmation from DTC of your purchase. The Direct or Indirect Participants through whom you purchased the Preferred Stock should send you written confirmations providing details of your transactions, as well as periodic statements of your holdings. The Direct and Indirect Participants are responsible for keeping an accurate account of the holdings of their customers like you.

Transfers of ownership interests held through Direct and Indirect Participants will be accomplished by entries on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of the beneficial owners.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to beneficial owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

We understand that, under DTC s existing practices, in the event that we request any action of the holders, or an owner of a beneficial interest in a global security such as you desires to take any action which a holder is entitled to take under our Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended and supplemented (including the certificate of designations designating the Preferred Stock), DTC would authorize the Direct Participants holding the relevant shares to take such action, and those Direct Participants and any Indirect Participants would authorize beneficial

through those Direct and Indirect Participants to take such action or would otherwise act upon the instructions of beneficial owners owning through them.

Any redemption notices with respect to the Preferred Stock will be sent to Cede & Co. If less than all of the shares of Preferred Stock are being redeemed, DTC scurrent practice is to determine by lot the amount of interest of each Direct Participant to be redeemed.

In those instances where a vote is required, neither DTC nor Cede & Co. itself will consent or vote with respect to the Preferred Stock. Under its usual procedures, DTC would mail an omnibus proxy to us as soon as possible after the record date. The omnibus proxy assigns Cede & Co. s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants whose accounts the Preferred Stock are credited on the record date, which are identified in a listing attached to the omnibus proxy.

Distributions on the Preferred Stock will be made directly to DTC s nominee (or its successor, if applicable). DTC s practice is to credit participants accounts on the relevant payment date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC s records unless DTC has reason to believe that it will not receive payment on that payment date.

Payments by Direct and Indirect Participants to beneficial owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in street name. Subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements, these payments will be the responsibility of the participant and not of DTC, us or any agent of ours. We and any paying agent will be responsible for payment of distributions to DTC. Direct and Indirect Participants are responsible for the disbursement of payments to the beneficial owners.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depositary with respect to the Preferred Stock at any time by giving reasonable notice to us. Additionally, we may decide to discontinue the book-entry only system of transfers with respect to the Preferred Stock. In that event, we will print and deliver certificates in fully registered form for the Preferred Stock. If DTC notifies us that it is unwilling to continue as securities depositary, or it is unable to continue or ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depositary is not appointed by us within 90 days after receiving such notice or becoming aware that DTC is no longer so registered, we will issue the Preferred Stock in definitive form, at our expense, upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, such global security.

According to DTC, the foregoing information with respect to DTC has been provided to the financial community for informational purposes only and is not intended to serve as a representation, warranty or contract modification of any kind.

We have obtained the information in this section about DTC and DTC s book-entry system from sources that we believe to be accurate, but we assume no responsibility for the accuracy of the information. We have no responsibility for the performance by DTC or its Direct or Indirect Participants of their respective obligations as described in this prospectus supplement or under the rules and procedures governing their respective operations.

#### **Global Clearance and Settlement Procedures**

Initial settlement for the Preferred Stock will be made in immediately available funds. Secondary market trading among DTC s Participants will occur in the ordinary way in accordance with DTC s rules and will be settled in immediately available funds using DTC s Same-Day Funds Settlement System.

# U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES

This section summarizes the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Preferred Stock. This summary deals only with Preferred Stock that is held as a capital asset by holders that purchase shares in this offering. This summary does not describe all the U.S. federal income tax consequences that may be relevant to the holder in light of its particular circumstances or to holders subject to special rules, such as:

dealers and certain traders in securities or currencies,

banks, regulated investment companies, real estate investment trusts, and financial institutions,

insurance companies,

tax-exempt organizations,

persons
holding
Preferred
Stock as part
of a straddle,
hedge,
conversion or
other risk
reduction
transaction,

U.S. expatriates or former long-term residents of the United States,

controlled foreign

corporations and passive foreign investment companies, or a U.S. Holder (as defined below) whose functional currency for tax purposes is not the U.S.

In addition, this summary does not address alternative minimum taxes or state, local or foreign taxes or the newly enacted Medicare tax on investment income.

This section is based upon the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code ), judicial decisions, final, temporary and proposed Treasury regulations, published rulings and other administrative pronouncements, all as in effect as of the date hereof, changes to any of which subsequent to the date of this prospectus supplement may affect the tax consequences described herein, possibly with retroactive effect.

Please consult your own tax advisor concerning the tax consequences of purchasing, owning and disposing of the Preferred Stock in your particular circumstances under the Code and the laws of any other taxing jurisdiction.

# U.S. Holders

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This subsection describes the U.S. income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder. You are a U.S. Holder if you own the Preferred Stock and you are:

an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States;

a U.S. domestic corporation (or other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal tax purposes);

an estate the income of which is includible in

gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source; or

a trust (x) if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (y) that has a valid election under applicable U.S. Treasury regulations to be treated as a

U.S. person.

If a partnership (or other entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) holds Preferred Stock, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. If you are a partner in a partnership holding Preferred Stock, you should consult your tax advisors.

If you are not a U.S. Holder, this subsection does not apply to you and you should refer to Non-U.S. Holders, below.

#### Distributions

Distributions on the Preferred Stock that are paid out of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes ( Tax E&P ) will generally constitute dividends taxable as ordinary income. In the case of a holder of the stock other than a corporation, dividend income (provided that certain holding period and other requirements are met) is currently subject to a maximum tax rate of 15%, but under current law will be subject to the tax rates for ordinary income for tax years beginning after December 31, 2012.

While GECC and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis had substantial historical undistributed GAAP earnings as of the end of 2011, GECC had no accumulated Tax E&P as of the end of 2011. Furthermore, our ability to generate Tax E&P in 2012 or any future year is subject to a number of variables that are uncertain and difficult to predict. Accordingly, we anticipate there could be years in which we do not have Tax E&P. See Risk Factors The distributions we pay on the Preferred Stock may not qualify as dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which could adversely affect the U.S. federal income tax consequences to you of owning the Preferred Stock.

To the extent that the amount of any distribution exceeds the recipient s share of our Tax E&P, the excess will not constitute dividends but will instead be treated first as a tax-free return of capital, to the extent of the holder s adjusted basis in the holder s stock (with a corresponding reduction in such basis), and thereafter as capital gain as described below. The capital gain recognized by a holder will generally be long-term capital gain if the holder has held the stock for more than one year. In the case of a holder other than a corporation, the long-term capital gain tax rate applicable is currently 15%, and it is currently scheduled to increase to 20% for tax years beginning after December 31, 2012.

#### Dividends Received Deduction

Distributions paid to corporate stockholders on the Preferred Stock that are dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes will generally be eligible for the dividends received deduction provided by section 243(a)(1) of the Code. This deduction is currently equal to 70% of the amount of any such distribution. However, the deduction is available only with respect to stock held for more than 45 days during the 91-day period beginning 45 days before the relevant ex-dividend date (or 90 days during the 181-day period beginning 90 days before the relevant ex-dividend date in the case of a dividend attributable to periods in excess of 366 days), including the date of disposition but excluding the date of acquisition. The length of time that a corporate holder is deemed to have held its stock for these purposes is reduced for periods during which the holder s risk of loss with respect to the stock is diminished by the existence of certain options, contracts to sell, short sales or other similar transactions.

The benefit of the dividends received deduction to a corporate holder of the Preferred Stock may be effectively reduced or eliminated by operation of the extraordinary dividend provisions of section 1059 of the Code, which require the U.S. corporate recipient to reduce its adjusted tax basis in its stock by the amount excluded from income as a result of the dividends received deduction. The excess of the excluded amount over basis would be treated as gain. A dividend would be treated as extraordinary if (1) it equals or exceeds 5% of the holder s adjusted tax basis in the stock (reduced by the non-taxed portion of any prior extraordinary dividend), treating all dividends having ex dividend dates within an 85-day period as one dividend, or (2) it exceeds 20% of the holder s adjusted tax basis in the stock, treating all dividends having ex dividend dates within a 365-day period as one dividend.

In addition, the dividends received deduction is generally reduced or eliminated for a U.S. corporate recipient that has indebtedness directly attributable to its investment in its Preferred Stock. However, such indebtedness does not include indebtedness to a depository institution attributable to deposits received in the ordinary course of its business.

# Redemption or Disposition

The redemption of the Preferred Stock will be a taxable event. Such redemption will be taxed in the same manner as a distribution unless the redemption (i) results in a complete termination of the holder s stock interest in us (under section 302(b)(3) of the Code), (ii) results in a substantially disproportionate redemption of stock with respect to the holder (under section 302(b)(2) of the Code) or (iii) is not essentially equivalent to a dividend with respect to the holder (under section 302(b)(1) of the Code). In determining whether the redemption is subject to tax as a distribution, the holder must take into account not only the stock the holder actually owns but also stock that the holder constructively owns within the meaning of section 318 of the Code. For this purpose, the holder is deemed to own any shares of our stock that are owned, or deemed owned, by certain related persons and entities, as well as any shares that the holder or a related person or entity has the right to acquire by exercise of an option. If a holder owns none or only an insubstantial amount of our voting stock (actually or constructively), it is likely that the redemption of the Preferred Stock would be considered not essentially equivalent to a dividend.

If the redemption of the Preferred Stock is not subject to tax as a distribution, the redemption will result in capital gain or loss to the holder, in an amount equal to the difference between the amount realized and the holder s adjusted tax basis in the stock redeemed. The amount realized by a holder will be the amount of cash received in the redemption (other than cash received with respect to declared dividends).

A holder that sells or otherwise disposes of shares of the Preferred Stock in a taxable disposition will generally recognize capital gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount of cash received on such sale or other disposition and the holder s adjusted tax basis in the shares sold or disposed of.

Long-term capital gain recognized by an individual is eligible for reduced rates of taxation. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations.

# Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

In general, information reporting requirements will apply to payments of dividends and proceeds of sales of the Preferred Stock to U.S. Holders that are not exempt recipients (such as corporations). Backup withholding, currently at a rate of 28%, will apply to such payments if the U.S. Holder (i) fails to provide to the payment agent a taxpayer identification number, (ii) furnishes an incorrect taxpayer identification number, (iii) is notified by the IRS that it has failed to properly report payments of interest and dividends, or (iv) under certain circumstances, fails to certify, under penalty of perjury, that it has furnished a correct taxpayer identification number and has not been notified by the IRS that it is subject to backup withholding.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules may be refunded or credited against a U.S. Holder s U.S. federal income tax liability, provided that the required information is timely provided to the IRS.

In addition, we may not be able to determine whether we had Tax E&P with respect to distributions paid on shares of Preferred Stock in a particular calendar year until after the date on which reporting agents are required to send IRS Forms 1099-DIV to U.S. Holders and the IRS with respect to those distributions. In such a circumstance, we expect that, under applicable Treasury regulations, reporting agents will initially report those distributions as dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes on IRS Forms 1099-DIV. If we later determine that the distributions did not, in fact, constitute dividends for U.S. federal income tax, you may receive a corrected IRS Form 1099-DIV and you may therefore need to file an amended federal, state or local income tax return. In addition, we will be required to notify the holders of the Preferred Stock if we make a distribution on the Preferred Stock in excess of our Tax E&P by either (i) delivering a copy of IRS Form 8937 ( Report of Organizational Actions Affecting Basis of Securities ), which will also be filed with the IRS, to holders of record of the Preferred Stock or (ii) posting a copy of the completed form on our website. If as we expect may be the case, a distribution is reported as a dividend because we were not able to

determine whether we had Tax E&P with respect to the distribution at the time the

reporting agents report the distribution, but we later determine that the distribution did not, in fact, constitute a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we will be required to deliver a copy of the IRS form or post it on our website at that time.

#### Non-U.S. Holders

The following is a general discussion of the U.S. federal income tax consequences to Non-U.S. Holders of their acquisition, ownership and disposition of the Preferred Stock. A Non-U.S. Holder is an individual, corporation, trust or estate that is a beneficial owner of the Preferred Stock, holds such stock as a capital asset and is not a U.S. Holder.

#### U.S. Trade or Business Income

For purposes of the discussion below, dividends on the Preferred Stock and gains on the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition of such stock will be considered U.S. trade or business income to a Non-U.S. Holder if such dividends or gains are:

effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Holder s conduct of a U.S. trade or business; and

in the case of a treaty resident, attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment (or, in the case of an individual, a fixed base) maintained by the Non-U.S. Holder in the United States.

Generally, U.S. trade or business income is subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis at regular graduated U.S. federal income tax rates and the Preferred Stock will be taxed as described above under U.S. Holders. Moreover, U.S. trade or business income received by a Non-U.S. Holder that is a corporation may, under specific circumstances, be subject to an additional tax the branch profits tax" at a 30% rate (or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty).

#### Dividends

Dividends paid to a Non-U.S. Holder of the Preferred Stock generally will be subject to withholding of U.S. federal income tax at a 30% rate (or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty). However, if such

dividends are U.S. trade or business income, they are not subject to withholding, provided the Non-U.S. Holder provides the certification described below.

Because it will generally not be known, at the time a Non-U.S. Holder receives any distribution on the Preferred Stock, whether the distribution was paid out of our Tax E&P and therefore whether the distribution will be treated as a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we expect that a withholding agent will deduct and withhold U.S. tax at the applicable rate on all distributions that a Non-U.S. Holder receives on the Preferred Stock. If it is later determined that a distribution on the Preferred Stock was not a dividend, in whole or in part, a Non-U.S. Holder may be entitled to claim a refund of the U.S. tax withheld with respect to that portion of the distribution, provided that the required information is timely furnished to the IRS. As described above under U.S. Holders Information Reporting and Backup Withholding, we will notify the holders of the Preferred Stock if we make a distribution on the Preferred Stock that was not a dividend (by either delivering a copy of IRS Form 8937 to holders of record or by posting a copy of the completed form on our website).

In order to secure an exemption from withholding or a reduction in the rate of withholding, a Non-U.S. Holder must provide to the payment agent, prior to payment of the affected dividends, a properly executed IRS form and must periodically update the information supplied on such form. In the case of a claimed exemption by reason of U.S. trade or business income, the required form is IRS Form W-8ECI (or any successor form specified by the IRS). In the case of a claimed exemption from or reduction in the rate of withholding on the grounds of an applicable income tax treaty, the required form is IRS Form W-8BEN (or any successor form specified by the IRS). A Non-U.S. Holder that claims benefits under an applicable tax treaty may also be required, in certain circumstances, to (a) obtain and to provide to the payment agent a U.S. taxpayer identification

number and/or (b) demonstrate residence in a foreign jurisdiction by providing documentation issued by the government of such jurisdiction. Also, applicable Treasury regulations require special procedures for payments through qualified intermediaries.

#### Redemption or Disposition

Except as described below and under the foregoing discussion concerning backup withholding, gain realized by a Non-U.S. Holder on the redemption or disposition of the Preferred Stock generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax or withholding, unless:

the redemption proceeds are taxed as a dividend, as described under U.S. Holders Distributions and U.S. Holders Redemption or Disposition;

the gain is U.S. trade or business income;

subject to certain exceptions, the Non-U.S. Holder is an individual who holds our Preferred Stock as a capital asset, is present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year of the disposition and meets certain other requirements; or

we are or have been a
U.S. real property
holding corporation
for federal income
tax purposes at any
time during the
shorter of the
five-year period
ending on the date of
disposition of the
Preferred Stock and
the Non-U.S. Holder s
holding period for
the Preferred Stock

unless the Preferred Stock is regularly traded on an established securities market and the Non-U.S. Holder holds no more than 5% of the outstanding Preferred Stock, directly or indirectly, during such period.

We believe that we have not been and are not currently a U.S. real property holding corporation, and we do not anticipate becoming such an entity in the future. However, we can give no assurance that we will not become a U.S. real property holding corporation. Accordingly, Non-U.S. Holders are urged to consult their tax advisors to determine the application of these rules to their disposition of the Preferred Stock.

Information Reporting Requirements and Backup Withholding

Information returns will be filed annually, on IRS Form 1042-S ( Foreign Person s U.S. Source Income Subject to Withholding ), with the IRS and provided to each Non-U.S. Holder which state the amount of dividends paid to such holder and the tax withheld with respect to such dividends, regardless of whether withholding was required. Copies of the information returns reporting such dividends and withholding may also be made available to the tax authorities in the country in which the Non-U.S. Holder resides under the provisions of an applicable income tax treaty.

A Non-U.S. Holder will be subject to backup withholding for dividends paid to such holder unless such holder certifies under penalty of perjury that it is a Non-U.S. Holder (and the payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that such holder is a U.S. person as defined under the Code) or such holder otherwise establishes an exemption.

Information reporting and, depending on the circumstances, backup withholding will apply to the proceeds of a sale of the Preferred Stock within the United States or conducted through certain United States-related financial intermediaries, unless the beneficial owner certifies under penalty of perjury that it is a Non-U.S. Holder (and the payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that the beneficial owner is a U.S. person as defined under the Code) or such owner otherwise establishes an exemption.

The certification procedures required to claim a reduced rate of withholding under a treaty will satisfy the certification requirements to avoid backup withholding as well.

Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules may be allowed as a refund or a credit against a Non-U.S. Holder s U.S. federal income tax liability provided the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

Additional Withholding Requirements

In addition to withholding taxes discussed above, under amendments to the Code made by legislation commonly known as FATCA, a withholding tax of 30% will be imposed on payments to certain foreign entities, after December 31, 2013, of dividends, and after December 31, 2014, on the gross proceeds of dispositions of U.S. stock, unless various U.S. information reporting and due diligence requirements generally relating to U.S. owners of and account holders with those entities have been satisfied. These new requirements are different from, and in addition to, the beneficial owner certification requirements described above. Non-U.S. holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the possible implications of this legislation on their investment in our depositary shares.

THE PRECEDING DISCUSSION OF MATERIAL U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES IS GENERAL INFORMATION ONLY AND IS NOT TAX ADVICE. ACCORDINGLY, EACH INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT THAT INVESTOR SOWN TAX ADVISOR AS TO THE PARTICULAR TAX CONSEQUENCES TO IT OF PURCHASING, HOLDING AND DISPOSING OF THE PREFERRED STOCK, INCLUDING THE APPLICABILITY AND EFFECT OF ANY STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. TAX LAWS AND OF ANY CHANGES OR PROPOSED CHANGES IN APPLICABLE LAW.

#### **UNDERWRITING**

The company and the underwriters for the offering named below have entered into an underwriting agreement with respect to the Preferred Stock. Subject to certain conditions, each underwriter has severally agreed to purchase the number of shares of Preferred Stock indicated in the following table. Barclays Capital Inc., Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated are the representatives of the underwriters.

Underwriters	Number of Shares of Preferred Stock
Barclays Capital Inc.	4,500
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.	4,500
Goldman, Sachs & Co.	4,500
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC.	4,500
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated	4,500
Total	22,500

The underwriters are committed to take and pay for all of the shares of Preferred Stock being offered, if any are taken.

Preferred Stock sold by the underwriters to the public will initially be offered at the initial public offering price set forth on the cover of this prospectus supplement. Any shares of Preferred Stock sold by the underwriters to securities dealers may be sold at a discount of up to \$550.0 per share from the initial public offering price. Any such securities dealers may resell any shares of Preferred Stock purchased from the underwriters to certain other brokers or dealers at a discount from the initial public offering price of up to \$250.0 per share. If all the shares of Preferred Stock are not sold at the initial public offering price, the representatives may change the offering price and the other selling terms. The offering of the Preferred Stock by the underwriters is subject to receipt and acceptance and subject to the underwriters—right to reject any order in whole or in part.

The shares of Preferred Stock are a new issue of securities with no established trading market. The Company has been advised by the underwriters that the underwriters intend to make a market in the Preferred Stock but are not obligated to do so and may discontinue market making at any time without notice. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of the trading market for the Preferred Stock.

In connection with the offering, the underwriters may purchase and sell shares of Preferred Stock in the open market. These transactions may include short sales, stabilizing transactions and purchases to cover positions created by short sales. Short sales involve the sale by the underwriters of a greater number of shares of Preferred Stock than they are required to purchase in the offering. Stabilizing transactions consist of certain bids or purchases made for the purpose of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the shares of Preferred Stock while the offering is in progress.

The underwriters also may impose a penalty bid. This occurs when a particular underwriter repays to the underwriters a portion of the underwriting discount received by it because the representatives have repurchased shares of Preferred Stock sold by or for the account of such underwriter in stabilizing or short covering transactions.

These activities by the underwriters, as well as other purchases by the underwriters for their own accounts, may stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the market price of the Preferred Stock. As a result, the price of the Preferred Stock may be higher than the price that otherwise might exist in the open market. If these activities are commenced, they may be discontinued by the underwriters at any time. These transactions may be effected in the over-the-counter market or otherwise.

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a Relevant Member State), each underwriter has represented and agreed that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in

that Relevant Member State (the Relevant Implementation Date) it has not made and will not make an offer of Preferred Stock which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this prospectus supplement to the public in that Relevant Member State other than:

- (a) to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as defined in the Prospectus Directive;
- (b) to fewer than 100 or, if the Relevant Member State has implemented the relevant provision of the 2010 PD Amending Directive, 150, natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive), as permitted under the Prospectus Directive, subject to obtaining the prior consent of the relevant Dealer or Dealers nominated by the issuer for any such offer; or
- (c) in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive,

provided that no such offer of Preferred Stock shall require the issuer or any underwriter to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an offer of Preferred Stock to the public in relation to any shares of Preferred Stock in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Preferred Stock to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Preferred Stock, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State, the expression Prospectus Directive means Directive 2003/71/EC (and amendments thereto, including the 2010 PD Amending Directive, to the extent implemented in the Relevant Member State), and includes any relevant implementing measure in the Relevant Member State and the expression 2010 PD Amending Directive means Directive 2010/73/EU.

Each underwriter has represented and agreed that:

- (a) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of the Preferred Stock in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the issuer; and
- (b) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Preferred Stock in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

The Preferred Stock may not be offered or sold by means of any document other than (i) in circumstances which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap.32, Laws of Hong Kong), or (ii) to professional investors within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap.571, Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder, or (iii) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a prospectus within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap.32, Laws of Hong Kong), and no advertisement, invitation or document relating to the Preferred Stock may be issued or may be in the possession of any person for the purpose of issue (in each case whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere), which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to shares of Preferred Stock which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to professional investors within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571, Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder.

The Preferred Stock has not been and will not be registered under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law of Japan (the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law) and each underwriter has agreed that it will not offer or sell any securities, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, any resident of Japan (which term as used herein

means any person resident in Japan, including any corporation or other entity organized under the laws of Japan), or to others for re-offering or resale, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to a resident of Japan, except pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of, and otherwise in compliance with, the Financial

Instruments and Exchange Law and any other applicable laws, regulations and ministerial guidelines of Japan.

This prospectus supplement has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Accordingly, this prospectus supplement and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the Preferred Stock may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the shares of Preferred Stock be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the SFA), (ii) to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Where the shares of Preferred Stock are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 by a relevant person which is: (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary is an accredited investor, shares, debentures and units of shares and debentures of that corporation or the beneficiaries rights and interest in that trust shall not be transferable for 6 months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Preferred Stock under Section 275 except: (1) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the SFA or to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA; (2) where no consideration is given for the transfer; or (3) by operation of law.

The Company estimates that its share of the total expenses of the offering, excluding underwriting discounts and commissions, will be approximately \$1 million.

The Company has agreed to indemnify the several underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933.

The underwriters and their respective affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include sales and trading, commercial and investment banking, advisory, investment management, investment research, principal investment, hedging, market making, brokerage and other financial and non-financial activities and services. Certain of the underwriters and their respective affiliates have provided, and may in the future provide, a variety of these services to the Company and to persons and entities with relationships with the Company, for which they received or will receive customary fees and expenses. In addition, certain of the underwriters act as lenders to the Company.

In the ordinary course of their various business activities, the underwriters and their respective affiliates, officers, directors and employees may purchase, sell or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade securities, derivatives, loans, commodities, currencies, credit default swaps and other financial instruments for their own account and for the accounts of their customers, and such investment and trading activities may involve or relate to assets, securities and/or instruments of the Company (directly, as collateral securing other obligations or otherwise) and/or persons and entities with relationships with the Company. The underwriters and their respective affiliates may also communicate independent investment recommendations, market color or trading ideas and/or publish or express independent research views in respect of such assets, securities or instruments and may at any time hold, or recommend to clients that they should acquire, long and/or short positions in such assets, securities and instruments.

# **LEGAL MATTERS**

Alan M. Green, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary of GECC, will provide an opinion regarding the validity of the securities for us and Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, New York, New York will pass on the validity of the securities for the underwriters. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for us by Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP. Mr. Green beneficially owns or has rights to acquire an aggregate of less than 0.01% of GE s common stock.

#### **EXPERTS**

The consolidated financial statements and schedule of GECC as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2011, and management s assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011 incorporated herein by reference from the Form 8-K filed by GECC on May 4, 2012, have been incorporated by reference herein in reliance upon the report, also incorporated by reference herein, of KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing. The audit report covering the December 31, 2011 consolidated financial statements contains an explanatory paragraph stating that, as discussed in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, GECC, in 2010, changed its method of accounting for consolidation of variable interest entities and, in 2009, changed its method of accounting for impairment of debt securities, business combinations and noncontrolling interests.

# **PROSPECTUS**

# **General Electric Capital Corporation**

# Debt Securities Preferred Stock Delayed Delivery Contracts Trust Preferred and Capital Securities Support Obligations and Interests Therein

General Electric Capital Corporation may offer from time to time:

unsecured debt securities; preferred stock, par value \$.01 per share, which may be issued in the form of depositary shares evidenced by depositary

delayed delivery

receipts;

contracts

for the

purchase or

sale of

certain

specified

securities;

trust
preferred
and capital
securities;
and

support obligations and interests

therein, including unsecured guarantees and direct-pay letters of credit.

We will provide specific terms of these securities in supplements to this prospectus. The securities may be offered separately or together in any combination and as separate series or separate tranches within a series. You should read this prospectus and any prospectus supplement carefully before you invest.

Our principal executive offices are located at 901 Main Avenue, Norwalk, CT, 06851-1168.

# Investing in these securities involves risks. See Risk Factors on page 1 of this prospectus.

These securities have not been approved by the SEC or any State securities commission, nor have these organizations determined that this prospectus is accurate or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

We may sell these securities on a continuous or delayed basis directly to purchasers, through agents, dealers or underwriters as designated from time to time, or through a combination of these methods. If any agents, dealers or underwriters are involved in the sale of any securities, the applicable prospectus supplement will set forth any applicable commissions or discounts.

The date of this prospectus is December 1, 2011.

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