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Form 424B3

January 16, 2004

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 7

DATED: January 13, 2004

(To Prospectus dated November 17, 2003, and Prospectus Supplement dated November 17, 2003)

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		Float	Floating Rate Notes [x] Book Entry Notes [x]  Fixed Rate Notes [] Certificated Notes []					
		Fixed						
Maturity Date: 1/16/2007		CUSIP	CUSIP#: 073928D26					
		Euroc	lear and Clearstrea	m Common Code: 0184289	962			
Option to Extend Maturity:		No [x] Yes [] Final Maturity Date:						
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N/A	N/A N/		N/A	N/A				
Applicable Only to Fi	xed Rate N	lotes:						
Interest Rate: Interest Payment Date Applicable Only to Fl	oating Rat		s: -					
Interest Rate Basis:			Maximum Interest Rate: N/A					
[ ] Commercial Paper	] Commercial Paper Rate			Minimum Interest Rate: N/A				
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[ ] Treasury Rate	] Treasury Rate			Interest Reset Period: Quarterly				
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[ ] Prime Rate								
[ ] CMT Rate								

Initial Interest Rate: 1.28% Interest Payment Period: Quarterly

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Index Maturity: Three Months

Spread (plus or minus): +0.16%

- \* On the 16th of each April, July, October and January prior to Maturity.
- \*\* On the 16th of each April, July, October and January including the maturity date.

The distribution of Notes will conform to the requirements set forth in Rule 2720 of the NASD Conduct Rules.