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where name bullic security financing to obtain new capital was light last week, which was shortened by two partial holidays-Election Day and Veterans Day-while it is expected to be very substantial this week. During the week ending November 10, only two large State and local bond issues aggregating \$24 million were sold while no large corporate security issues were offered. This week, ending November 17, five corporate security issues aggregating \$14 million are scheduled; seven State and local issues with par value of \$182 million are definitely on the calendar and it is possible that one of the two large issues scheduled for negotiated sale some time this month will be publicly offered.

Bond yields. Changes in bond yields were mixed and minor last week. Yields on corporate bonds declined one basis point while yields on long-term U. S. Government bonds rose one basis point. State and local government bond yields were unchanged.

Short—and intermediate-term interest rates. Yields on Treasury bills and 3-5 year U. S. Government bonds increased last week. Yields on 3-month and 6-month Treasury bills rose 12 and 3 basis points, respectively while yields on intermediate term U. S. Government obligations increased two basis points. The average rate of interest on Federal funds rose 58 basis points to 2.88 per cent from the revised average of the previous week. The average rate of interest paid on directly placed finance company paper with 90-179 day maturity declined one basis point to 2.69 per cent, reflecting the full effect of the rate revision of the previous week. Other short—and intermediate-term interest rates were unchanged.

Bond referenda, while it is still too early to have final data on all State and local government bond referenda submitted to voters in the November 7 general election, preliminary information indicates that less than one-half of the dollar volume submitted was approved. The \$1.3 billion of bonds submitted was considerably less than last year as is usually the case in an "off-year" election, but only slightly less than in 1959. The low percentage of approvals this year reflects primarily disapproval of a \$500 million New York State higher education authorization which involved attitudes toward State aid to non-public colleges. Special considerations of various types resulting in disapproval were involved in other years shown in the table on the following page when the approval ratio was relatively low.

Stock prices. Common stock prices, as measured by Standard and Poor's composite index of 500 stocks, rose on balance by more than two per cent to another new high last week, closing on November 10 at 71.07. The average daily trading volume, at 4.8 million shares, was the highest since mid-May.

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Bond Proposals Submitted in November General Elections

(In millions of dollars)

Year	Submitted	Approved	Per cent of proposals approved
1949 1950 1951 1952 1953 1954 1955 1956 1957 1958 1960 1961	1,608 958 1,142 1,461 926 1,589 1,523 2,683 940 2,527 1,359 3,779 1,228	1,342 654 1,097 1,242 850 1,397 556 2,472 775 1,882 786 3,410	83 96 85 92 88 37 92 82 74 58 90

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More detailed information concerning recent capital market developments is presented in the attached exhibits.

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LONG-TERM BOND YIELDS

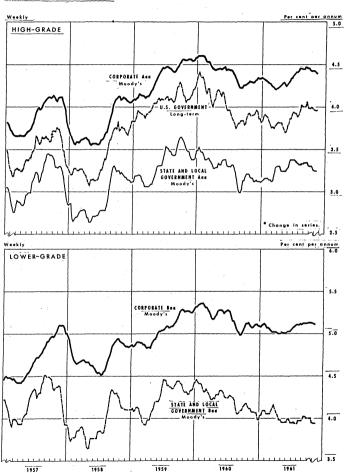


Exhibit B - Tables for Exhibit A

Long-term Bond Yields High-grade

Date	Corporate	U. S. Govt.	State and local	Spread b	. and
	Asa 1/	long-term 2/	government Aaa 3/	Corporate Asa	State and local Asa
		(per cent)			
1954 - Low 1957 - High 1958 - Low 1959-60 - High 1960 - Low 1961 - High Low	2.85 (4/23) 4.14 (9/27) 3.55 (5/2) 4.61 (1/29/60) 4.23 (9/9) 4.46 (9/15) 4.21 (3/17)	2.45 (a/6) 3.76 (10/1a) 3.07 (4/25) 4.42 (1/a/60) 3.75 (a/5) 4.06 (9/15) 3.70 (5/12)	1.90 (9/2) 3.45 (8/29) 2.64 (5/1) 3.65 (9/24/59) 2.99 (9/1) 3.37 (7/6) 3.12 (2/23)	.30 .60 .22 .59 .19 .57	.30 .50 .34 .92 .53 .76 .46
Oct. 13 Oct. 20 Oct. 27 Nov. 3 Nov. 10 p/	4.42 4.42 4.42 4.40 4.39	4.00 3.98 3.96 3.95 3.96	3.30 3.27 3.25 3.24 3.24	.42 .44 .46 .45 .43	.70 .71 .71 .71 .72

Lower-grade

	Corporate	State and		between nd Baa
Date	Baa 1/	local govt. Baa 3/	Corporate	State and local govt.
		(per cent)		
1954 - Low 1957 - High 1958 - Low 1959-60 - High 1960 - Low 1961 - High Low	3.44 (12/31) 5.10 (11/20) 4.51 (7/11) 5.36 (2/12/60) 4.98 (9/9) 5.13 (10/27) 5.00 (4/21)	2.93 (8/5) 4.51 (8/29) 3.64 (5/1) 4.46 (1/7/60) 3.98 (12/29) 4.16 (3/23) 3.93 (11/10)	. 52 1.27 77 . 84 . 71 . 81 . 66	.96 1.21 .93 1.08 .86 .93 .57
Oct. 13 Oct. 20 Oct. 27 Nov. 3 Nov. 10 p/	5.13 5.13 5.13 5.12 5.11	4.00 4.00 3.94 3.93 3.93	.71 .71 .71 .72 .72	.70 .73 .69 .69

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Heekly average of daily figures. Average term of bonds impluded is 23 -26 years. Heskly average of daily figures. The series includes bonds due or callable in 10 years or more. Thursday figures. Only general obligation bonds are included; average term is 20 years.

Note .-- Highs and lows are for individual series and may be on different dates for different series. For spreads, high refers to widest, and low to narrowest.

SHORT- AND INTERMEDIATE- TERM INTEREST RATES

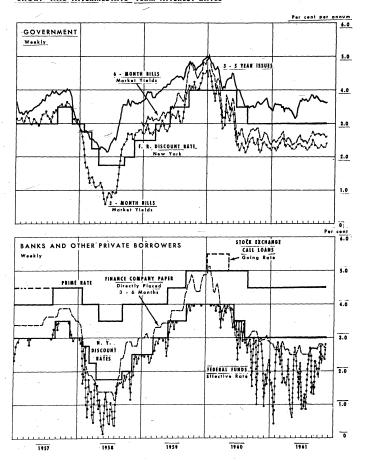


Exhibit D - Tables for Exhibit C

Stort- and Intermediate-term Interest hates

Government

	Discount		Yields		Spread between	n yields on
Date	rate	3-month	6-month	3-5 year		and yields or
	1/	bills 2/	bills 2/	issues 2/	6-mo. bills 3	-5 yr. issues
			(per cent)			
1954 - Low	1.50	.61 (6/11)		1.66 (4/30)		.66
1957 - High	3.50	3.64 (10/18)		4.04 (10/18)		.86
1958 - Low	1.75	.58 (5/29)	3.02 (12/26)	2.14 (6/6)	.26	.04
1959-60 - High	4.00	4.59 (1/8/60)	5.07 (1/8/60)	5.00 (12/24/59)	•79	1.81
1960 - Low	3.00	2.11 (10/28)	2.38 (12/30)	3.40 (12/30)	.16	. 38
1961 - High	3.00	2.56 (3/3)	2.78 (8/18)	3.86 (8/11)	. 44	1.51
Low	3.00	2.17 (1/27)	2.35 (4/28)	3.15 (5/12)	.12	.92
Oct. 13	3.00	2.34	2.67	3.67	•33	1.33
Oct. 20.	3.00	2.29	2.68	3.66	•39	1.37
Oct. 27	3.00	2.29	2.67	3,63	.38	1.34
Nov. 3	3.00	2.28	2.58	3.61	.30	1.33
Nov. 10 p/	3.00	2.40	2.61	3.63	.21	1.23

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Date	Stock Exchange call loan 1/	Prime rate <u>l</u> /	Finance company paper 3/	Federal funds <u>h</u> /	Spread between 3-mo. bills and linance co. paper
		(per cent)		,	•
195h - Low 1957 - High 1958 - Low 1959-60 - High 1960 - Low 1961 - High Low	3.00 -4.50 3.50 5.50 4.50 4.50	3.00 4.50 3.50 5.00 4.50 4.50 4.50	1,25 (12/31) 3,88 (11/15) 1,13 (8/8) 5,13 (1/22/60) 2,88 (12/30) 2,88 (3/10) 2,50 (7/28)	n.a. 3.50 (11/e) .13 (5/2e) 4.00 (5/13/co) .95 (12/2) 2.88 (11/10) .43 (1/27)	0 .63 35 1.02 .22 .56
Oct. 13 Oct. 20 Oct. 27 Nov. 3	4.50 4.50 4.50 4.50 4.50	4.50 4.50 4.50 4.50 4.50	2.81 2.81 2.76 2.70 2.69	2.75 2.20 2.45 2.30 <u>r</u> / 2.88	.47 .52 .47 .42 .29

^{1/} Nackly rate shows is that is effect at end of period. Discount rate is for Paderal Reserve Bark of New York. Stock Exchange call Boan rate is going rate on call loams secured by outcoars' stock exchange collateral at New York City banks. Prime rate is that charged by large banks on whort-term loans to business borrowers of the hiphest credit standing.

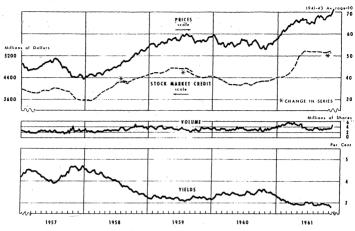
^{2/} Market yield; weekly averages computed from daily closing bid prices. Series of 3-5 year issues consists of selected notes and bonds.

^{3/} Average of daily rates published by finance companies for directly placed paper for varying naturities in the 90-179 day raggs.

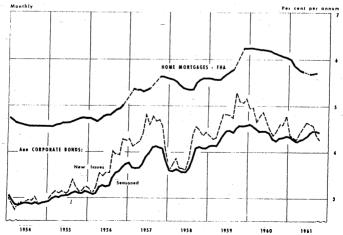
^{4/} Neckly average of dully effective rate, which is the rate for the heaviest volume of purchase and sale transactions as reported to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

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		Common	Trading	Stock ma	rket custome	r credit
Date	Stock price index 1/	stock yields 2/ (per cent)	volume 3/ (millions of shares)	Total	debit bal- ances 4/	Bank loans to "others" 5/
1				(In m	illions of d	ollars)
1957-60 - High Low 1961 - High Low	60.51 (7/31/59) 39.48 (12/20/57) 71.07 (11/10) 58.48 (1/6)	3.08 4.72 2.85 3.32	4.9 1.4 5.8 2.7		2,482 (12/57) 4,060(5/61)	
September October Oct. 27 Nov. 3 Nov. 10 p/	67.26 68.00 68.34 69.47 71.07	2.92 2.90 2.90 2.85 2.80	3.2 3.3 3.4 3.6 4.8	5,311 n.a. n.a. n.a. n.a.	n.a.	1,320 1,304 1,304 1,310

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Averages of daily trading volume on the New York Stock Exchange.

Mortgage and Bond Yields 1/

Date	FHA mortgages 2/	Aaa corpor bonds 1, New 3/	/	Spread between corporate l	
1953-58 - High Low 1959-60 - High Low	5.63 (11/57) 4.56 (2/55) 6.24 (1/60) 5.57 (3/59)	4.81 (6/57) 2.74 (3/54) 5.29 (9/59) 4.29 (2/59)	4.12 (9/57 2.84 (4/54 4.61 (1/60 4.12 (1/59	.) .54 i) 1.76	.90 12 .77 07
1961 - June July August September October	n.a. 5.70 5.71 5.72 n.a.	4.65 4.62 4.59 4.38 4.26	11.142 14.145 14.141 14.33	n.a. 1.08 1.12 1.34	.32 .21 .14 07 .16

^{1/} Noither mortgage nor bond yields take into account servicing costs which are much higher for mortgages thun bonds. Generally, bonds pay interest semi-annually; mortgages, monthly. Hortgage yields, if computed as equivalent to a semiannual interest investment, would be slightly higher than given in the table.

4/ Hoody's Investors Service. Monthly averages of daily data. See Exhibit B.

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^{1/} Standard and Poor's composite index of 500 common stocks, weekly closing prices, 1941-43-10. Monthly data are averages of daily figures rather than of Friday's only. Higher and loss are for Fridays' data only.

Standard and Poor's composite stock yield baced on Wednesday data converted to wookly closing prices by Federal Reserve. Yields shown are for dates on which price index reached its high or low.

End of month figures for member firms of the New York Stock Exchange which carry margin accounts; excludes balances secured by U. S. Government obligations.

Mednesday figures for weekly reporting member banks. Excludes loans for purchasing or carrying U. S. Government focurities. Prior to July 1, 1959, such lorns are excluded only at banks in New York and Chicago. Weakly reporting tanks account for about 70 per cent of leans to others. Por further detail see Bulletin.

^{2/} Dased on FHA field-office opinions about average bid prices in the private secondary market for new-home mortgages for immediate delivery. Since late 1955, data relate only to 25-year mortgages with downpayments of 10 per cent or more, weighted by probable volume of transmotions. Yields computed by FRB, assuming 25-year mortgages are paid off in 12 years. Dashed lines indicate periods of adjustment to changes in the contractual interest rate.

^{3/} Pirot Mational City Bank of New York. Averages of afforing yields of all new issues of publicly-sold bonds ruted Ave, As or A by Hoody's Inventors Service (except social and convertible issues and offerings of natural gas and foreign companies) weighted by size of issue. Yields on An and A issues are first adjusted to an Ann basis by the operad batman yields of outstanding bonds in these entegories and those on ana-rated bonds. The series re-flects changes in industrial composition, maturity, type, etc. of new offerings.

Exhibit G

Long-term Corporate and State and Local Government Security Offerings and Placements

(In millions of dollars)

			New с	apital		
		Corporate			te and loca	1 2/
	1961	1960	1959	1961	1960	1959
January February March	580 667 562	570 715 860	821 738 646	716 683 760	700 611 568	648 859 638
April May June	2,118 1,259 1,318	761 577 1,044	·894 785 887	724 628 1,015	719 545 991	934 568 987
July August September	p/ 957 p/ 739 p/ 587	736 967 726	535 740 703	_क /प्रिप्प <u>e</u> /670 <u>e</u> /750	492 606 683	կկ3 521 470
October November December	<u>e</u> /800 <u>e</u> /800	890 956 852	879 864 900	e/600 e/925	348 501 491	593 450 478
lst quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	1,809 4,695 p/2,283	2,145 2,382 2,428 2,698	2,204 2,567 1,979 2,642	2,159 2,367 e/1,794	1,880 2,256 1,780 1,340	2,11,5 2,488 1,433 1,521
lst half Three quarters Year	6.50ц _р /8,78 7	4,527 6,955 9,653	4,771 6,750 9,392	4,526 e/6,320	4,136 5,916_ 7,257	4,634 6,067 7,588
	Excluding	finance con	mpanies 3/	1.		
lst quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	1,554 4,552 <u>p</u> /2,183	1,716 2,165 2,018 2,347	1,999 2,412 1,716 2,503			
lear		8,246	8,630			

Estimated. p/ Preliminary.
Securities and Exchange Commission estimates of net proceeds.

Investment Bankers Association of America estimates of principal amounts. Total new capital issues excluding offerings of sales and consumer finance companies.

Other Security Offerings (In millions of dollars)

				ng-term 1/		
	Foreign	governmer	t 2/	Fede	ral agency	3/
	1961	1960	1959	1961	1960	1959
January	. 6	2 175	81 60		182 150	199
February March	29 20	70	2	252	150	175
April May	2 66	34 72	58 50	100 149	148 354	· · · · · ·
June	29	40	42	278		
July August	2	25 1	85 1	250	199	98
August September	-	36	35	250		150
October November		34 2	33 30		160 149	
December December		埳.	70		181	86
Year		533	547		1,672	707
			Net short	-term 4/		
	State and	local gov	ernment 5/	Fed	eral agend	y 3/
January February March	160 195 -8	58 140 -80	-4 181 4	-144 -162 -174	-196 -202 -59	-82 176 33
April	-103	70	197	- 79	-277	50
May June	-42 -155	-146 -157	-25 -197	-87 207	170 320	368 286
July August September	109 538	48 415 - 175	57 392 131	22 193 -727	95 23 - 201	362 133 79
October November December		-16 50 -189	-81 -176 -117		-23 -33 -250	240 280
Year		18	362		-633	1,969

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Those data differ from those in Exhibit 0 in that refunding issues, as well as new capital issues, are included.

Long-term securities are defined as those maturing in more than one year.

^{2/} Includes securities offered in the United States by foreign governments and their subdivisions and by international organizations. Source: Securities and Exchange Commission.

^{3/} Issues not guaranteed by the U. S. Government. Source: long-term, Securities and Exchange Commission; short-term, Treasury Department and Federal Reserve.

^{4/} These data differ from those in Exhibit 0 and above in that they represent new offerings less retirements, whether from the proceeds of refunding issues or from other funds. Data include only issues with original naturity of one year or less.

^{5/} Principally tax and bond anticipation notes, marrante or certificates and Public Housing Authority notes. In some instances PHs notes included may have a somewhat longer term than one year. Source: Bond Buyer and Digitized foreigner.

Exhibit I

Large Long-term Public Security Issues for New Capital (Other than U. S. Treasury) 1/

Proceeds of Large Issues Offered

(In millions of dollars)

		Corpor	ate		State	
Month	Total	Bonds (other than convertibles)	Convertible bonds	Stocks	and local government	Other 2
1960 - October November December 1961 - January February March April May June July August September October	566 465 260 117 267 70 1,572 557 532 475 185 168 354	551 465 235 106 230 25 560 480 435 285 165 78 205	15 -75 -33	15 25 41 37 5 1,010 62 97 115 20 58 81	146 186 222 391 360 105 383 256 616 179 281 435 326	77 150 99 67 25 151 100 73

Large Individual Issues Offered November 1 through 10

Issuer	Type 3/	Amount (millions of dollars)	Maturity	Coupon rate or net inter- est cost	Offering yield	Ratin
CORPORATE					,	
Northern Natural Gas Co.	S.F. deb.	20.0	1981	4-5/8	և.60	A
Family Finance Corp.	Sen. deb.	25.0	1981	5	5.06	
FMC Corp.	Conv. sub. del	26.0	1981	3-1/8	3.13	Ваа
Idaho Power Co.	1st mtg. bd	s. 10.0	1991	4-1/2	4.47	Aa
Idaho Power Co.	Com. stk.	7.5		•		
Gen. Tel. Co. of Fla.	lst mtg. bds	. 15.0	1991	4-5/8	4.60	A
STATE AND LOCAL COVERNMENT		•	. •			
Public Housing Auth.	G.O.	78.5	1962-200	2 3.40	1.40-3.55	Aaa
Virginia State Ports Auth.	RevUt.	27.5	1962-91		1.60-3.78	A
Philadelphia, Pa.	G.O.	19.0	1963-87	3.31	1.65-4.60	A
Oklahoma Turnpike Auth.	Rev.	56.5	200 1	4.98	4.75	
State of Hawaii	G.O.	10.0	1964-81		2.10-3.45	A
Nassau County, New York	G.O.,	13.8	1962-90	3.33	1.60-3.55	A
OTHER						

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Footnotes

- *--Rights offering.
- 1/ Includes corporate and other security offerings of \$15 million and over; State and local government security offerings of \$10 million and over.
- 2/ Includes foreign government and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development issues and non-guaranteed issues by Federal agencies.
- 3/ In the case of State and local government securities, G.O. denotes general obligations; Rev.-Ut., revenue obligations secured only by income from public utilities; Rev.-Q.Ut., revenue bonds secured only by revenue from quasi-utilities; Rev.-S.T., revenue bonds secured by revenue from specific taxes only; Rev.-Rent., revenue bonds secured solely by lease payments.

Forthcoming Large Long-term Public Security Offerings for New Capital (Other than U. S. Treasury) $\underline{1}/$

Expected Proceeds from Forthcoming Large Issues

During month following date shown		Subsequent to date shown			
Corporate	State and local govt.	Other <u>2</u> /	Corporate	State and local govt.	Other 2
440	258	50	585	391	50
				560 682	
110	181		1,046	360 638	
1,580	559		1,700	806	
					15 75
521	195		666	291	
175 358	399 251	73 35	240 504	530 454	73 35
	1440 260 91 110 55 1,580 542 487 521 170	Corporate State and local govt. 1440	Corporate State and local govt. Other 2/ 440 258 50 260 242 91 412 110 181 55 307 1,580 559 542 236 15 487 431 75 521 195 170 406 175 399 73 358 251 35	Corporate State and local govt. Other 2/ Corporate	Corporate State and local govt. Other 2/ Corporate State and local govt.

Forthcoming Large Offerings, as of November 10

Issuer	Туре	Amount (millions of dollars)	Approximate date of offering
CORPORATE			
Rochester Gas & Electric Co. Macy Credit Corp. Pacific Northwest Bell Tel. Co. Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America Carolina Power & Light Co. Texas Esatern Trans. Co. Consolidated Edison Co. of N. Y. Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. **General Tel. Co. of Calif. **Tennessee Gas Transmission Co. **Pacific Lighting Corp. Commerce Oil Refining Corp. Realty Collateral Corp.	lst mtg, bds. Sen. deb. Deb., dept. Deb., & pfd. st lst mtg, bds. &com lst p.1.mtg.bds lst & ref.mtg.bd lst mtg. bds. lst mtg. bds. Com. stk. Deb., bds. & com Coll. tr. notes	20.0 50.0 25.0 1.stk. 33.7 1. 60.0 30.0 25.0 36.6	Nov. 15 Nov. 16 Nov. 16 Nov. 17 Nov. 21 Nov. 22 Nov. 29 Dec. 7 Dec. 12 Dec. Indefinite
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT			
Ascension-St. James Bridge & Ferry Authority Los Angeles Flood Cont. Dist., Calif. Maryland State Roads Comm. State of Oregon State of They Hampshire Georgia State Highway Authority ///frase.stlouisfed.org/	RevUt. G.O. G.O. G.O. G.O. RevS.T.	30.8 20.0 12.5 20.0 16.4 35.0	Nov. 14 Nov. 15 Nov. 15 Nov. 15

Forthcoming Large Offerings, as of November 10 (Cont'd)

Issuer	Type	Amount (millions of dollars)	Approximate date of offering
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Cont'd)			
Omaha Public Power Dist., Nebraska	RevUt.	17.0	Nov. 16
State of Ohio	RevS.T.	30.0	Nov. 21
Buffalo, New York	G.O.	11.6	Nov. 21
Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Auth.	Rev.	100.0	Nov.
Florida Turnpike Auth.	Rev.	100.0	Nov.
*San Jose, California	G.O.	20.0	Dec. 1
*Baltimore, Maryland	G.O.	28.5	Dec. 5
aNew York City, New York	G.O.	53.1	Dec. 12
*Penna. State Public Bldg. Auth.	RevRent.	25.0	Dec. 12
*Los Angeles Dept. of Wtr. & Pwr.	RevUt.	16.0	Dec. 13
Orleans Parish Sch. Dist., La.	G.O.	10.0	Indefinite
Dade County, Florida	G.O.	46.0	Indefinite
Jacksonville Expressway Auth.	RevUt.	40.0	Indefinite
OTHER			
*Kingdom of Belgium	Bonds	25.0	Nov. 30
*			

*--Included in table for first time.

i/ Includes corporate and other issues of \$15 million and over; State and local government issues of \$10 million and over.

^{2/} Includes foreign government and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development issues and non-guaranteed issues by Federal agencies. Note.--Deletions for reasons other than sale of issue: None.

exhibit k

Yields on New and Outstanding
Electric Power Bonds, Justed Aa and A 1/

	Aa-rated offe	ring yields	A-rated of	Tering yields
Date	Actual Am	ount atove soned yields sis points)	Actual (per cent)	Amount above seasoned yield (basis points)
1952-1960 - nigh Low	5.30 (12/8/59) 2.93 (3/31,54)	87 -8	5.65 (9/18, 3.00 (3/17,	
1961 - Jan. 12 18 25 Feb. 8 16 16 16 16 17 18 21 26 27 May 17 18 19 23 26 June 8 13 28 July 13 26 Aug. 3 9 Oct. 3 19	4. 60 4. 55 4. 44 4. 37 4. 80 4. 57 4. 57 4. 65 4. 87 4. 65 4. 85 4. 42 ² /	11 7 -2 8 43 25 13 20 27 41 14 29 -14	4.60 4.65 4.47 4.50 4.65 4.65 4.72 4.80 4.72 4.80 4.94 5.12 4.92 4.93 4.90	-2 5 -13 5 -5 17 32 19 27 ho 55 36 29 20
26 Nov. 2	4.52 4.47	-1 -3		

Overs only 30-year first mortgage bonds, as reported in hoody's Bond Survey.

Except where indicated, the actual yield figure and the amount above eccessored yields are averages of offerings during the indicated period and of the differences between these new offering yields and yields on seasoned issues of similar quality for the same day. Average maturity for the seasoned issues varies from 26 to 28 years.

2/ Provides for a 5-year period during which issue may not be called for refunding at a lower coupon rate. Monthly averages so marked include one or more issues with such a provision. Other issues have no such provision.