FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK

Circular No. **10771**February 1, 1995

DISCOUNT RATE

To All Depository Institutions in the Second Federal Reserve District:

The directors of this Bank, with the approval of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, have increased the Bank's basic discount rate to 5-1/4 percent from 4-3/4 percent, effective immediately. In that regard, the Board of Governors issued the following statement:

The Federal Reserve Board today approved an increase in the discount rate from 4-3/4 percent to 5-1/4 percent, effective immediately.

In a related move, the Federal Open Market Committee agreed that this increase should be reflected fully in interest rates in the reserve markets.

Despite tentative signs of some moderation in growth, economic activity has continued to advance at a substantial pace, while resource utilization has risen further. In these circumstances, the Federal Reserve views these actions as necessary to keep inflation contained, and thereby foster sustainable economic growth.

In taking the discount rate action, the Board approved requests submitted by the Boards of Directors of the Federal Reserve Banks of Boston, New York, Richmond, Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City and San Francisco. The discount rate is the interest rate that is charged depository institutions when they borrow from their district Federal Reserve Banks.

This Bank's Operating Circular No. 13, regarding discount rates, will be revised accordingly.

WILLIAM J. McDonough, *President*.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK

Operating Circular No. 13
Revised effective February 1, 1995

DISCOUNT RATES

To All Depository Institutions in the Second Federal Reserve District:

- 1. This Bank has increased its basic discount rate under sections 10(b), 13, and 13a of the Federal Reserve Act from 4¾ percent per annum to 5¼ percent per annum, effective February 1, 1995. Described on the reverse side are the rates now in effect at this Bank on advances and discounts made under the Federal Reserve Act.
- 2. This circular supersedes our Operating Circular No. 13, revised effective November 15, 1994.

WILLIAM J. McDonough,

President.

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Rates Effective February 1, 1995 Under Sections 10(b), 13, and 13a of the Federal Reserve Act

The following rates will be applied to advances and discounts for depository institutions:

Adjustment Credit

The basic discount rate, currently 51/4 percent per annum, is usually charged for advances of adjustment credit. In the case of adjustment credit advances determined by this Bank to be unusually large and to arise from a major operating problem at the borrowing institution, including but not limited to a computer outage, this Bank, in its discretion, may charge the highest rate established by this Bank for advances to depository institutions.

Seasonal Credit

A flexible rate, no less than the basic discount rate, that takes into account rates on market sources of funds will be applied to seasonal credit. This rate will ordinarily change every two weeks, and the changed rate will apply to both new and outstanding advances of this type. The rate may, under certain circumstances, be changed more frequently than every two weeks.

Extended Credit

The flexible rate plus fifty basis points will be charged for extended credit to institutions under sustained liquidity pressures or for other special circumstances. The current extended credit rate shall apply to any extended credit outstanding for more than thirty days and may be applied, in the Bank's discretion, at any time extended credit is granted or outstanding.

A depository institution may obtain information regarding the current rate by contacting the Loans and Credits Function (Tel. No. 212-720-5394).