

MFS CHARTER INCOME TRUST

Form N-23C-1

January 10, 2003

To: Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C.

Statement of registered closed-end investment company with respect to purchases of its own securities pursuant to Rule N23C-1 during the last calendar month.

MFS Charter Income Trust - MCR

Report of the calendar month ending **December 31, 2002:**

| Date | Identification of Security | Shares Repurchased | Repurchase Price | NAV | Broker |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 12/10/02 | Shares of beneficial interest | 21,000 | 8.26 | 9.16 | Merrill Lynch |
| 12/12/02 | Shares of beneficial interest | 21,000 | 8.26 | 9.14 | Merrill Lynch |
| 12/16/02 | Shares of beneficial interest | 21,000 | 8.25 | 9.12 | Merrill Lynch |
| 12/16/02 | Shares of beneficial interest | 21,000 | 8.2494 | 9.12 | Merrill Lynch |
| 12/17/02 | Shares of beneficial interest | 21,000 | 8.2336 | 9.13 | Merrill Lynch |
| 12/18/02 | Shares of beneficial interest | 21,000 | 8.2252 | 9.16 | Merrill Lynch |
| 12/23/02 | Shares of beneficial interest | 23,000 | 8.2626 | 9.18 | Merrill Lynch |

Total Shares Repurchased: **149,000**

Remarks? *(none)*

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