BANK OF NEW YORK CO INC Form 424B3 February 10, 2004 The Bank of New York Company, Inc. [LOGO] The Bank of New York Company, Inc. \$1,000,000,000 The Bank of New York Company, Inc. CoreNotes (Registered Service Mark) Filed under Rule 424 (b)(3), Registration Statement No. 333-103003, 333-103003-01, 333-103003-02, 333-103003-03 and 333-103003-04 Pricing Supplement No. 21 - dated February 06, 2004 (To prospectus dated March 6, 2003 and prospectus supplement dated March 28, 2003) _____ Purchasing Proceeds Aggregate CUSIPPrincipalPrice toAgent'sBeforeNumberAmountPublic(1)Discount(1)Expenses(1) 0640P0AP0 \$570,000 100% 1.50% 98.50% _____ _____ Interest Interest Stated Rate Per Payment Maturity Annum Frequency Date Survivor's Option _____ 4.35% Semiannual 02/18/2014 YES _____ Senior Medium-Term Notes Series E Interest Payment Dates: The 15th day of February and August of each year commencing 08/15/2004. Redemption Information: The Notes are not callable and are not subject to optional redemption. _____ AggregatePurchasingProceedsPrincipalPrice toAgent'sBeforeAmountPublic(1)Discount(1)Expenses(1) Aggregate Principal Price to Agent's CUSIP Number 06406JEK7 \$1,910,000 100% 2.00% 98.00% _____ Interest Interest Stated Rate Per Payment Maturity Survivor's Annum Frequency Date Option 5.35% 02/15/2019 Semiannual YES Senior Subordinated Medium-Term Notes Series F Interest Payment Dates: The 15th day of February and August of each year commencing 08/15/2004. Redemption Information: Redeemable at the option of The Bank of New York

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Company, Inc. on 02/15/2007 and each Interest Payment Date thereafter, at a price equal to 100% on 30 calendar days notice.

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CUSIP Number			Purchasing Agent's Discount(1)	Proceeds Before Expenses(1)	
06406JEL5	\$974,000	100%	2.50%	97.50%	
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5.50%	Semiannua	1 02/1	5/2029	YES	
Senior Subordinated Medium-Term Notes Series F Interest Payment Dates: The 15th day of February and August of each year commencing 8/15/2004. Redemption Information: Redeemable at the option of The Bank of New York Company, Inc. on 02/15/2009 and each Interest Payment Date thereafter, at a price equal to 100% on 30 calendar days notice.					
The Bank of New York Company, Inc. One Wall Street New York, New York 10286 Trade Date: 02/06/2004 Issue Date: 02/11/2004 Minimum Denominations/Increments: \$1,000/\$1,000 Original Issue Discount: No All trades settle without accrued interest and clear SDFS: DTC Book-Entry only Merrill Lynch DTC Participant Number: 161					
The defeasance and covenant defeasance provisions of the Senior Indenture and the Senior Subordinated Indenture described under "Description of Senior Debt Securities and Senior Subordinated Debt Securities - Defeasance and Covenant Defeasance" in the Prospectus will apply to the Senior and Senior Subordinated Notes respectively.					
(1) Expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount "CoreNotes(Registered Service Mark)" is a registered service mark of Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.					
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