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The Bank of New York Company, Inc. [LOGO]

The Bank of New York Company, Inc.

\$529,297,000

The Bank of New York Company, Inc. CoreNotes (Registered Service Mark)

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CUSIP Number	Aggregate Principal Amount	Price to Public(1)	Purchas Agent Discoun	's	Proceeds Before Expenses(1)
0640P1CN1	\$1,578,000	100%	2.0	0%	98.00%
Interest Rate Per Annum	Interest Payment Frequency	Matu	ted rity te	Survivo	-
5.30%	Semiannual	 L 05/1	.5/2020	 YES	

Senior Subordinated Medium-Term Notes Series F

Interest Payment Dates: The 15th day of May and November of each year

commencing 11/15/2005.

Redemption Information: Redeemable at the option of The Bank of New York

Company, Inc. on 05/15/2008 and each Interest Payment

Date thereafter, at a price equal to 100% on 30

calendar days notice.

CUSIP Number	Aggregate Principal Amount	Price to Public(1)	Purchasing Agent's Discount(1)		Proceeds Before Expenses(1)				
0640P1CP6	\$2,861,000	100%	2.50%		97.50%				
Interest Rate Per Annum		Matı	====== ated urity ate	Surviv Optic					
5.45%	Semiannual	 l 05/15	5/2030	====== YES	;				

Senior Subordinated Medium-Term Notes Series F

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commencing 11/15/2005.

Redemption Information: Redeemable at the option of The Bank of New York

Company, Inc. on 05/15/2010 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: 04/29/2005 Issue Date: 05/04/2005

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.

Merrill Lynch & Co. Purchasing Agent Acting as Principal
