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Filed under Rule 424 (b)(3), Registration Statement No. 333-103003, 333-103003-01, 333-103003-02, and 333-103003-03Pricing Supplement No. 97 - dated July 22, 2005 (To prospectus dated August 10, 2004 and prospectus supplement dated August 10, 2004)

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)

CUSIP Number	Aggregate Principal Amount	Price to Public(1)	Purchasing Agent's Discount(1)	Proceeds Before Expenses(1)
0640P1DN0	\$2,321,000	100%	2.00%	98.00%
Interest Interest Rate Per Paymer		Mati	ated urity Survi	======== ivor's ion

5.25% Semiannual 07/15/2020 YES

Senior Subordinated Medium-Term Notes Series F

Interest Payment Dates: The 15th day of January and July of each year

commencing 01/15/2006.

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

Company, Inc. on 07/15/2008 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)
0640P1DP5	\$4,407,000	100%	2.50)% 	97.50%
Interest Rate Per Annum	Interest Payment Frequency	Matu	ted rity te	Surviv	
5.35%	Semiannua	l 07/15	/2030	YES	

Senior Subordinated Medium-Term Notes Series F

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Interest Payment Dates: The 15th day of January and July of each year

commencing 01/15/2006.

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

Company, Inc. on 07/15/2010 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: 07/22/2005
Issue Date: 07/27/2005

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
