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Pricing Supplement No. 23 Subject to Completion - dated November 20, 2006 (To prospectus dated June 5, 2006 and prospectus supplement dated June 15, 2006)

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

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\$1,000,000,000

Inc. CoreNotes (Registered Service Mark)

| CUSIP<br>Number | Aggregate<br>Principal<br>Amount       |                    | Agen                   | it's          | Proceeds Before Expenses(1) |
|-----------------|--|--------------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| 40P1KE2         | TBD                                    | 100%               | 2.00%                  |               | 98.00%                      |
|                 | Interes<br>Payment<br>Frequenc         |                    | turity                 | Survi<br>Opti |                             |
| 5.70%           | Semi-Anr                               | nual 11            | /15/2021               | Ύ∈            | es                          |
| erest Pay       | rdinated Medigment Dates: Information: | The 15th commencir | day of Ma<br>g 05/15/2 | y and $N$     | November of ea              |

Company, Inc. on 11/15/2009 and each Interest Payment

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

calendar days notice.

| CUSIP<br>Number               | Aggregate<br>Principal<br>Amount | Price to Public(1) | Purchas<br>Agent<br>Discoun | 's  | Proceeds Before Expenses(1) |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 0640P1KF9                     | TBD                              | 100%               | 2.50                        | ું  | 97.50%                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest<br>Rate Per<br>Annum | Interes<br>Payment<br>Frequenc   | Mati               | Stated<br>Maturity<br>Date  |     | Survivor's<br>Option        |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5.75%                         | Semi-Annu                        | al 11/:            | 17/2031<br>                 | Yes |                             |  |  |  |  |  |

Senior Subordinated Medium-Term Notes, Series I

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

commencing 05/15/2007.

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

Company, Inc. on 11/15/2011 and each Interest Payment

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

calendar days notice.

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The Bank of New York Company, Inc.

One Wall Street

New York, New York 10286

Trade Date: 11/24/2006 Issue Date: 11/29/2006

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-Legal 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

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