



IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Reserve Primary Fund Disbursement Update

New York, October 17, 2008 - The Reserve is continuing to calculate each investor's pre-distribution balance for the Primary Fund's first distribution. We continue to work with institutional and broker-dealer clients throughout this process so that The Reserve and our clients have an accurate balance for each investor's account. During the most recent reconciliation, we identified some minor discrepancies that are being resolved today. In addition, we are testing the disbursement payment process and coding quality assurance reports. We are rerunning the quality assurance reports and retesting the payment process. The next phase will involve our auditor in testing the process we have used and our results.

Operational personnel are analyzing all of the data covering transactions completed prior to October 10. (Subsequent transaction volume is not significant.) We will continue to provide updates as this process develops.

Thank you for your forbearance and understanding. We will continue to provide daily progress reports.