

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO**

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IN RE: OPPENHEIMER ROCHESTER FUNDS GROUP SECURITIES LITIGATION

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**AMENDED CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATION
OF THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS**

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Lead Plaintiff, by his attorneys, alleges the following upon personal knowledge as to himself and his own acts and, as to all other matters, alleges the following upon information and belief based upon the investigation of his attorneys, including review and analysis of the filings made by Oppenheimer AMT-Free Municipals (“AMT-Free Fund” or the “Fund”) with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”), published news reports, analyst reports, press releases, and industry data. Lead Plaintiff believes that further substantial evidentiary support exists for the allegations set forth below and will be uncovered after a reasonable opportunity for discovery.

I. NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. Lead Plaintiff, Leonard Klorfine (“Lead Plaintiff”), brings this securities action on behalf of himself and all persons or entities who purchased or otherwise acquired shares of the AMT-Free Fund (collectively, the “Class”) from May 13, 2006 through October 21, 2008, inclusive (the “Class Period”). Lead Plaintiff brings claims pursuant to Sections 11, 12(a)(2) and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933 (the “1933 Act” or the “Securities Act”), 15 U.S.C. §§ 77k, 77l and 77o, and Section 13(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “ICA”), 15 U.S.C. § 80a-13(a).

2. The AMT-Free Fund is a diversified mutual fund that, throughout the entire Class Period, publicly represented its investment objective as “seek[ing] to provide as high a level of current interest income exempt from federal income taxes as is available from investing in municipal securities, while attempting to preserve capital.” The Fund made clear that “preservation of capital” was at all relevant times a “fundamental policy” of the Fund that could not be altered without shareholder approval. Defendants characterized the Fund’s risk profile as follows: “In the OppenheimerFunds spectrum, the Fund is more conservative than some types of

taxable bond funds, such as high yield bond funds, but has greater risks than money market funds.”

3. These and other statements that Defendants made in connection with selling the Fund were materially false and misleading because they: (a) grossly understated the percentage of the Fund’s illiquid assets and the Fund’s above-average liquidity risk; (b) failed to disclose that the safeguards that purportedly limited the Fund’s investment in illiquid assets were ineffective and that, consequently, the Fund’s investment in illiquid assets exceeded its purported limits; (c) grossly overvalued the Fund’s assets and overstated the Fund’s net asset value (“NAV”); (d) failed to disclose that the Fund’s success depended on steady or falling interest rates and, consequently, market demand for the securities in which the Fund was heavily invested; (e) failed to disclose the extraordinary volatility of the Fund’s investments in inverse floating rate securities (“inverse floaters”); and (f) stated that the Fund’s investments were consistent with its commitment to preserve capital, when, in fact, the investments were unhedged, highly leveraged bets against interest rate increases and highly vulnerable to regularly-occurring shifts in the capital market’s willingness to take on risk.

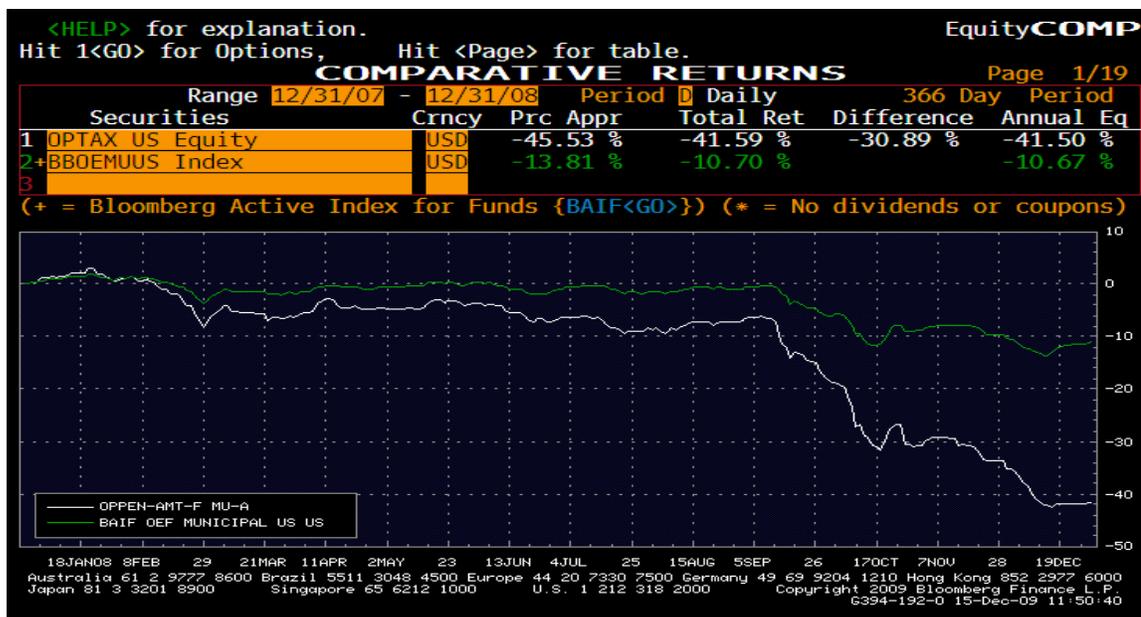
4. Inverse floaters were a significant feature of the Fund’s investment strategy. The coupon (or coupon rate) of an inverse floater varies inversely with the level of specified short-term interest rates. As those rates rise, the payment made on the inverse floater falls (hence the name *inverse* floaters). While this inverse coupon is the most noticeable feature of the inverse floater, and an important one, it is not the key feature. Rather, the key feature of an inverse floater is that it is actually the equivalent, in terms of risk and payoff, of simultaneously borrowing short-term funds and using them to buy a long-term bond. This strategy of “borrow short-lend long” has failed time and again, in many markets, over many decades, often with great

damage to individual investors. The main driver of this strategy's risk is the mismatch in the lives of assets and liabilities that constitute the combined position, and, as set forth herein, that mismatch is at the very center of an inverse floater.

5. In this case, Lead Plaintiff and members of the Class were damaged when the undisclosed risks of the Fund's inherently and highly leveraged investments in inverse floaters were realized as the interest rates required of municipal securities began to increase in 2007 and, especially, late 2008. The Fund's extensive investments in unrated, illiquid securities made the Fund especially vulnerable to credit contractions and concomitant interest rate increases. The increase in interest rates not only severely reduced the coupons and prices of the inverse floaters, but it also triggered obligations to counter-parties that could be satisfied only by selling at least some of the Fund's illiquid assets at fair market value prices that were far lower than the value attributed to them in the Fund's financial statements. Concomitantly, Defendants were forced to write down the Fund's holdings, finally admitting to investors that those holdings were, and throughout the Class Period had been, worth far less than the value at which they were being carried on the Fund's financial statements. Thus, the NAV of the Fund was damaged in two distinct but related ways: (a) the Fund's assets, which were overstated throughout the Class Period, had to be written down to reflect their proper values; and (b) what value the Fund's assets did have was further reduced by the materialization of previously-concealed risks related to inverse floaters, which forced Defendants to sell Fund assets at fire-sale prices, *i.e.*, the Fund sold assets at fair market prices that were lower than the overstated values reported by the Fund in its SEC filings. Thus, investors were damaged by the very facts that Defendants misrepresented and/or concealed.

6. The truth did not emerge until October 21, 2008 when Defendants issued a prospectus supplement that, as detailed herein, revealed the Fund's previously undisclosed liquidity and interest rate risks. By then, however, these risks had come to pass, and the damage was almost entirely done. On October 21, 2008, as the prospectus supplement was issued, the AMT-Free Fund had a stated NAV of approximately \$5.99 per share, down from a high of \$10.41 during the Class Period, and approximately 33.2% lower than the \$8.97 per share NAV at the start of the year.

7. This decrease in NAV was dramatic compared to the performance of comparable funds. The AMT-Free Fund was one of the worst performers in its peer group in 2008, ranking in the bottom 5% of its Morningstar category. Moreover, its percentage loss in 2008 was more than four times that of the average fund in its category according to Bloomberg. This difference is illustrated by the following chart:



8. The drop in the Fund's NAV was not caused by general economic decline or upheaval in the credit markets but, rather, by Defendants' risky failure to adhere to the Fund's stated fundamental investment policies and objectives. This failure left the Fund extremely

vulnerable to inevitable and frequent cycles of financial crisis. In just the past 20 years, such crises have included the 1994 devaluation of the Mexican Peso and ensuing credit tightening; the 1997 Asian financial crisis; Russia's 1998 default on government bonds resulting in Japanese and European bond market panics; and the deterioration of capital markets and crisis in confidence in interbank lending caused by the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. Thus, the occurrence of another credit crisis was not an unforeseeable risk and, had Defendants' investment policies been truly guided by the Fund's purported investment objective, the Fund would have been protected from, instead of vulnerable to, such crises, including the crisis of 2007-2008.

II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

9. The claims asserted herein arise under Sections 11, 12(a)(2) and 15 of the 1933 Act and Section 13(a) of the ICA. In connection with the acts alleged herein, Defendants, directly or indirectly, used the means and instrumentalities of interstate commerce including, without limitation, the mails, interstate telephone communications, and the facilities of the national securities markets.

10. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331; Section 22 of the 1933 Act, 15 U.S.C. § 77v; and Section 44 of the ICA, 15 U.S.C. § 80a-43.

11. Venue is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b), as key defendants maintain their principal executive offices in this District, and many of the acts giving rise to the violations of law complained of herein occurred in substantial part in this District, and some of the defendants maintain residences in this District. Further, by order dated June 17, 2009, the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation transferred this action to this Court.

III. PARTIES

Lead Plaintiff

12. By order dated November 18, 2009, the Court appointed Leonard Klorfine as Lead Plaintiff (“Lead Plaintiff”) pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 77z-1(a)(3)(B). Lead Plaintiff purchased and held shares of the Fund during the Class Period pursuant or traceable to one or more of the Registration Statements and Prospectuses at issue in this complaint, and has been damaged thereby.

13. Lead Plaintiff’s Class Period transactions in AMT-Free Fund shares are identified in the certification attached to this Amended Complaint as Exhibit A.

Defendants

14. Defendant AMT-Free Fund, located at 6803 South Tucson Way, Centennial, Colorado 80112-3924, is registered under the ICA and is an open-end, diversified mutual fund that, according to its Prospectuses, “seeks as high a level of current interest income exempt from federal income taxes as is available from investing in municipal securities, while attempting to preserve capital.” It was organized as a Massachusetts business trust in 1987.

15. Defendant OppenheimerFunds, Inc. (“OppenheimerFunds” or “the Manager”) is the manager and investment advisor of the AMT-Free Fund. It chooses the Fund’s investments and controls its day-to-day business. It is a holding company that engages in securities brokerage, banking services and related financial services through its subsidiaries. OppenheimerFunds is headquartered at Two World Financial Center, 225 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10281-1008. The Manager carries out its duties, subject to the policies established by the Fund’s Board of Trustees, under an investment advisory agreement. OppenheimerFunds is owned by its senior management and Defendant Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company.

16. Defendant OppenheimerFunds Distributor, Inc. (“Oppenheimer Distributor” or the “Distributor”), located at Two World Financial Center, 225 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10281-1008, is a subsidiary of the Manager and was, at all relevant times, the principal underwriter and distributor of shares of the Fund and was its agent for the purpose of the continuous public offering of the Fund’s shares.

17. Defendant Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company (“MassMutual”) describes itself as a global, diversified financial services organization that is organized as a mutual life insurance company. Through its wholly owned subsidiary, Oppenheimer Acquisition Corp., MassMutual owns and controls OppenheimerFunds and is the ultimate parent of OppenheimerFunds. According to the Manager’s current Form ADV (Uniform Application for Investment Advisor Registration) filed with the SEC, MassMutual is a “control person” of the Manager, meaning that MassMutual has the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of the Manager, whether through ownership of securities, by contract or otherwise. MassMutual is a Delaware corporation and is headquartered at 1295 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts 01111-0001.

18. Defendant John V. Murphy (“Murphy”) is, and at all relevant times was, President and Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund. Defendant Murphy is also Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and Director of the Manager, and was President of the Manager until 2007. Defendant Murphy signed, individually or through an agent, the Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

19. Defendant Brian F. Wruble (“Wruble”) was a Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund during the Class Period, and signed, individually or through an agent, the Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

20. Defendant David K. Downes (“Downes”) was a Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund during the Class Period, and signed, individually or through an agent, the October 26, 2007 Registration Statement issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

21. Defendant Matthew P. Fink (“Fink”) was a Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund during the Class Period, and signed, individually or through an agent, the Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

22. Defendant Robert G. Galli (“Galli”) was a Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund during the Class Period, and signed, individually or through an agent, the Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

23. Defendant Phillip A. Griffiths (“Griffiths”) was a Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund during the Class Period, and signed, individually or through an agent, the Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

24. Defendant Mary F. Miller (“Miller”) was a Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund during the Class Period, and signed, individually or through an agent, the Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

25. Defendant Joel W. Motley (“Motley”) was a Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund during the Class Period, and signed, individually or through an agent, the Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

26. Defendant Russell S. Reynolds, Jr. (“Reynolds”) was a Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund during the Class Period, and signed, individually or through an agent, the Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

27. Defendant Joseph M. Wikler (“Wikler”) was a Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund during the Class Period, and signed, individually or through an agent, the Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

28. Defendant Peter I. Wold (“Wold”) was a Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund during the Class Period, and signed, individually or through an agent, the Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

29. Defendant Clayton K. Yeutter (“Yeutter”) was a Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund from 1993 until he retired in 2006. Yeutter signed, individually or through an agent, the November 28, 2005 and September 27, 2006 Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

30. Defendant Kenneth A. Randall (“Randall”) was a Trustee of the AMT-Free Fund from 1987 until he retired in 2007. Randall signed, individually or through an agent, the November 28, 2005, September 27, 2006 and March 8, 2007 Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

31. Defendant Brian W. Wixted (“Wixted”) was Treasurer and Principal Financial and Accounting Officer of the AMT-Free Fund during the Class Period. Defendant Wixted signed, individually or through an agent, the Registration Statements issued by the Fund during the Class Period.

32. Defendant Ronald H. Fielding (“Fielding”) was a Vice President and a Senior Portfolio Manager of the Fund during the Class Period. In addition, Defendant Fielding has been a Senior Vice President of the Manager since January 1996. He is a portfolio manager and officer of other Oppenheimer funds. Defendant Fielding is the chief strategist and a trader for

the Fund and other Oppenheimer funds. He participated in the drafting of the Prospectuses pursuant to which the Fund was sold.

33. Defendant Daniel G. Loughran (“Loughran”) was a Vice President of the Fund and a Senior Portfolio Manager of the Fund during the Class Period. He has been a Vice President of the Manager since April 2001. He participated in the drafting of the Prospectuses pursuant to which the Fund was sold.

34. Defendant Scott Cottier (“Cottier”) was a Vice President of the Fund and a Senior Portfolio Manager of the Fund during the Class Period. He has been a Vice President of the Manager since 2002. He participated in the drafting of the Prospectuses pursuant to which the Fund was sold.

35. Defendant Troy E. Willis (“Willis”) was a Vice President of the Fund and a Senior Portfolio Manager of the Fund during the Class Period. He has been an Assistant Vice President of the Manager since 2005. He participated in the drafting of the Prospectuses pursuant to which the Fund was sold.

36. The defendants referenced above in ¶¶ 18-35 are herein referred to as the “Individual Defendants.”

37. The defendants referenced above in ¶¶ 14-35 are collectively referred to as the “Defendants.”

38. Defendants are all affiliated with each other and conduct business under the umbrella of the “Oppenheimer” name, and are part of one of the largest asset management companies in the United States.

IV. SUBSTANTIVE ALLEGATIONS

A. Introduction to the Fund

39. Defendants described the AMT-Free Fund as an open-end, diversified management investment company. The Fund's objective, as Defendants stated it in the Fund's Prospectuses, is to seek "as high a level of current interest income exempt from federal income taxes as is available from investing in municipal securities, while attempting to preserve capital."

40. The AMT-Free Fund is sold in three classes of shares, A, B, and C, under the ticker symbols OPTAX, OTFBX, and OMFCX, respectively, on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations (NASDAQ) system. All classes of shares were offered in the same Prospectuses (defined below in ¶ 42), invested in the same portfolio, and traded at nearly identical prices at all relevant times.

41. As an open-end mutual fund, the Fund allows for continuous sales and redemptions of its shares at a stated NAV that is determined by dividing the total stated value of assets held by the Fund by the total number of shares outstanding. The offering or sales of the Fund's shares are pursuant to registration statements and prospectuses that Defendants amended periodically. The Fund shares were offered for sale by OppenheimerFunds, which also served as the manager and investment advisor of the Fund, and Oppenheimer Distributor, which also served as the distributor of the Fund.

42. The Fund's shares were marketed and sold to Lead Plaintiff and Class members throughout the Class Period pursuant to its registration statements, prospectuses, and statements of additional information ("SAI"), which were incorporated by reference into the registration statements and prospectuses (collectively, "Prospectuses") and were issued on the following dates, among others:

- a. prospectus and SAI dated November 28, 2005 (filed with the SEC on Form N-1A), supplemented on December 6, 2005 (filed on SEC Form 497);
- b. prospectus and SAI dated September 27, 2006 (filed on SEC Form N-1A), supplemented on January 19, 2007 and January 23, 2007 (filed on SEC Form 497);
- c. prospectus and SAI dated March 8, 2007 (filed on SEC Form N-1A), supplemented on July 6, 2007, September 13, 2007, and October 22, 2007 (filed on SEC Form 497); and
- d. prospectus and SAI dated October 26, 2007 (filed on SEC Form N-1A), supplemented on December 10, 2007, December 19, 2007, December 28, 2007, January 22, 2008, April 28, 2008, May 12, 2008, July 1, 2008, and October 21, 2008 (filed on SEC Form 497).

43. The Fund invests in “municipal securities that pay interest that, in the opinion of counsel to the issuer of each security, is exempt from federal individual income tax.” According to the Fund’s Prospectuses, its investments “primarily include municipal bonds (which are long-term obligations), municipal notes (short-term obligations), interests in municipal leases, and tax-exempt commercial paper.”

44. The Fund represents that 75% of the securities it buys must be investment-grade. The Prospectuses define “investment grade” as “rated within the four highest rating categories of Moody’s, Standard & Poor’s or Fitch, Inc. or another nationally recognized statistical rating organization.” According to the Prospectuses, however, “investment grade” securities also include unrated securities that nevertheless were “judged by the Manager to be comparable to rated investment grade securities.” The methods used by the Manager to determine securities that were purportedly “comparable to rated investment grade securities” were inappropriate and

materially misleading. Neither the Prospectuses nor any other publication disclosed the Manager's method for making this crucial judgment. And no record of the method's success in accurately evaluating the credit risks of the unrated bonds was ever produced, or even offered.

45. Each of the foregoing documents was negligently prepared and contained untrue statements of material fact and/or failed to state other facts necessary to make the statements made not misleading, as described below. Although the documents were not identical, they contained many substantially similar untrue statements and were rendered misleading by substantially similar omissions of material fact.

46. A reasonable investor would have viewed the undisclosed facts described herein, jointly and severally, as having altered the total mix of available information. A reasonable investor also would understand that the undisclosed facts would cause the Fund to undertake materially increased investment risk during the Class Period because the Fund was investing in securities that were of materially greater risk than had been disclosed.

47. Each of the Prospectuses identified in ¶ 42 stated that the Fund cannot alter its fundamental investment policies without shareholder approval:

Fundamental policies cannot be changed without the approval of a majority of the Fund's outstanding voting shares. The Fund's investment objective is a fundamental policy.

48. The Prospectuses contained many materially false and misleading statements and omissions. Specifically, the Prospectuses were materially false and misleading, among other reasons, because they: (a) grossly understated the percentage of the Fund's illiquid assets and the Fund's above-average liquidity risk; (b) failed to disclose that the safeguards that purportedly limited the Fund's investment in illiquid assets were ineffective and that, consequently, the Fund's investment in illiquid assets exceeded its purported limits; (c) grossly overvalued the

Fund's assets and overstated the Fund's NAV; (d) failed to disclose that the Fund's success depended on steady or falling interest rates and, consequently, market demand for the securities in which the Fund was heavily invested; (e) failed to disclose the extraordinary volatility of the Fund's investments in inverse floating rate securities; and (f) stated that the Fund's investments were consistent with its commitment to preserve capital, when, in fact, the investments were unhedged, highly leveraged bets against interest rate increases and highly vulnerable to regularly-occurring shifts in the capital market's willingness to take on risk.

49. In reality, the Fund's exposure to serious losses from rises in interest rates, on the one hand, and its substantially illiquid portfolio, on the other hand, constituted a volatile mixture that ignited when counter-parties to the complex transactions that gave rise to the "inverse floaters" exercised a put option allowing them to sell their positions back to the Fund at par. To meet this obligation, Defendants had to sell Fund assets at fair market prices that were materially less than their recorded value, thereby revealing that Defendants had substantially overvalued Fund assets throughout the Class Period.

50. At no time during the Class Period did the Fund seek, let alone obtain, shareholder approval to alter or modify its investment objective or any of the investment policies concerning leverage, liquidity, credit quality or investments in derivative securities, including inverse floaters. Notwithstanding the Fund's failure to secure shareholder approval to change its fundamental policies, the Fund embarked on risky investment strategies that were at odds with its primary investment objective of preservation of capital, by investing in illiquid bonds and highly leveraged inverse floaters as speculative bets against rising interest rates. Moreover, the Fund's stated investment objective of preservation of capital implies that the Fund would assemble a portfolio of securities that was designed to weather what can only be described as the

inevitable periods of turbulence in capital markets. However, the Fund's investments in inverse floaters caused the Fund to be far more vulnerable to economic cycles than other mutual funds in its sector, which resulted in a material decline in the Fund's NAV.

B. Defendants Negligently Understated the Percentage Of Fund Assets That Were Illiquid And Failed To Disclose That Its Illiquid Assets Exceeded the Fund's Purported Limits On Illiquid Investments

51. In Prospectuses issued before and throughout the Class Period, Defendants made numerous materially false and misleading statements about the liquidity of the Fund's holdings, as more fully alleged herein.

52. *Revision of Liquidity Test in Guidelines to Form N-1A*, promulgated by the SEC, limits mutual funds' holdings of illiquid assets. This regulation defines "illiquid asset" as "an asset which may not be sold or disposed of in the ordinary course of business within seven days at approximately the value at which the mutual fund has valued the investment on its books." 17 C.F.R. §§ 239 and 274 [Fed. Reg. Vol. 57, No. 55 at 9829, Release No. 33-6927; IC-18612] (Mar. 20, 1992).

53. As the Fund's Prospectuses state, "[i]nvestments may be illiquid because they do not have an active trading market, making it difficult to value them or dispose of them promptly at an acceptable price."

54. Similarly, in the analogous context of money market funds, which also purport to preserve capital, the SEC has stated that "[t]he term 'illiquid security' generally includes any security which cannot be disposed of promptly and in the ordinary course of business without taking a reduced price. A security is considered illiquid if a fund cannot receive the amount at which it values the instrument within seven days." *See* 51 Fed. Reg. 9773.

55. Likewise, GAAP Statement of Financial Accounting Concept No. 5 states that liquidity is tied to "financial flexibility," and that "[l]iquidity reflects an asset's or liability's

nearness to cash. Financial flexibility is the ability of an entity to take effective actions to alter amounts and timing of cash flows so it can respond to unexpected needs and opportunities.” In other words, liquidity is an important determinant of whether an entity can timely react to changing market conditions without incurring substantial harm.

56. Liquidity is important for at least two reasons. First, liquid assets can be sold on relatively short notice without taking a material discount from the values reported in financial statements filed just prior to the asset sale. Second, because illiquid assets are not actively traded, they cannot be valued by reference to readily verifiable pricing data or other observable price inputs. In both regards, illiquid assets radically differ from liquid securities.

57. Throughout the Class Period, Defendants sought to reassure investors by purporting to identify, with specificity, which of the Fund’s assets were illiquid. Specifically, Defendants periodically issued Statements of Investments that were incorporated by reference in the Prospectuses. Certain of the investments in those Statements of Investments referenced a footnote that identified them as being illiquid and purported to provide the total dollar amount and percentage of the Fund’s illiquid assets at a given date. For example, the Statement of Investments incorporated as part of the March 8, 2007 prospectus contained this passage:

“Illiquid security. The aggregate value of illiquid securities as of July 31, 2006 was \$9,225,487, which represents 0.51% of the Fund’s net assets.”

58. Many of the Fund’s illiquid investments, however, did *not* receive the crucial footnote designation – *i.e.*, they were *not* identified as being illiquid – even though many went for months without being traded and carried other hallmarks of illiquidity. This omission was materially misleading because: (a) it implied the footnoted investments were the entire universe of illiquid securities owned by the Fund; and (b) by understating the Fund’s illiquid securities,

Defendants overstated the extent to which the Fund could react to changing market conditions and sell its securities for values it was claiming. Both misleading actions made the Fund appear to be a much safer investment than it actually was.

59. For example, Defendants stated in the Fund's shareholder report for the period ended July 31, 2008 that 1.88% of the Fund's net assets were invested in a bond issued by the Quarry, Florida Community Development District. Although not designated as such, that bond was illiquid. It traded on the secondary market 6 times, on 4 days during the Class Period. Similarly, Defendants did not identify the bond issued by Salt Verde, Arizona Financial Corp. as illiquid, even though the Fund bought the issue in its entirety and continued to hold it in its entirety throughout the Class Period.

60. In addition, as of July 31, 2008, the Fund owned a bond issued by Arborwood, Florida Community Development District (Centex Homes), which constituted 0.67% of the Fund's net assets. This bond was not designated as illiquid, but traded only 7 times on the secondary market and on only 2 trading days during the entire Class Period. A bond issued by Grand Bay at Doral, Florida Community Development District is another example of an illiquid holding that was not identified as such. As of July 31, 2008, this holding constituted a value of 0.45% of the Fund's net assets. This bond, which was not identified as illiquid, traded only 2 times on the secondary market, on 2 trading days during the entire Class Period. The bond did not trade at all on the secondary market in 2008.

61. These assets, and others with similar trading and/or ownership patterns, are not liquid under any of the definitions of liquidity set forth above. Indeed, they meet the Fund's own definition of "illiquid" assets because they "*do not have an active trading market*, making it

difficult to value them or dispose of them promptly at an acceptable price.” [Emphasis added.]

This was true throughout the Class Period.

62. Defendants stated in the Prospectuses that the Fund’s Manager monitored the liquidity of the Fund’s holdings but, unbeknownst to investors, this statement was materially false and misleading. In fact, either the Fund’s Manager failed to monitor the liquidity of the Fund’s holdings as Defendants stated, or, it monitored its holdings but inexcusably failed to classify certain obviously illiquid securities as such. In either case, the disclosures in the Prospectuses were false and, as a consequence, a minimum of 30.05% of the Fund’s assets were illiquid, despite Defendants’ claim that, as of July 31, 2008, the Fund’s investments in illiquid securities was limited to 1.91% and that the Fund would invest no more than 15% of its assets in illiquid securities.

C. Defendants Negligently Failed To Disclose the Extraordinary Volatility of the Fund’s Investments in Complex Derivative Instruments

63. Defendants stated in the Prospectuses that, during the Class Period, the AMT-Free Fund would invest no more than 20% of its assets in the highly complex and volatile derivative instruments known as municipal inverse floating rate securities (“inverse floaters”). As noted above, municipal inverse floaters are securities that pay a tax-exempt coupon (or interest rate) that moves inversely with changes in a prominent and referenced short-term interest rate, such as an interest rate linked to the Bond Market Association Municipal Swap Index (“BMA Index”) or some other short-term pricing mechanism. Most of the inverse floaters owned by the Fund were created by the Fund in a manner described below; the Fund was also free to buy inverse floaters created or issued by other financial institutions.

64. As illustrated in Exhibit B, attached hereto, the inverse floaters that the Fund tended to own typically arose from a cluster of interrelated transactions collectively referred to as

a “tender option bond program” that usually was structured by an investment bank known, in this context, as a “Sponsor.” The Sponsor would create a Trust into which the Fund would place a long-term municipal bond that it had purchased. Then the Trust would issue two classes of securities:

- **Floating rate securities (floaters):** The Trust would sell these to third parties and use the proceeds of the sale to fund the position in the long-term municipal bond referenced above. The floater pays coupons at a money market rate that varies positively with a referenced and prominent short-term interest rate. The Trust would pay the floater coupon from the periodic coupon paid on the underlying long-term municipal bond. Holders of the floaters have the right to periodically (typically every week, but daily in some cases) tender the floaters for redemption at par value.
- **Inverse floating rate securities (inverse floaters):** The Trust would also issue inverse floaters to the Fund. The coupon received by the Fund on the inverse floaters is the difference between the long-term interest payments generated by the municipal bond and the short-term interest paid on the floaters. Because they receive all income not used to pay interest on the companion floaters (and some expenses), inverse floaters are sometimes referred to as “residuals.”

65. Different inverse floaters – whether created or purchased by the Fund – have different degrees of leverage, which is determined by the ratio of the dollar size of the floater to the dollar size of the inverse floater. The sum of the floater and inverse floater equals the dollar value of the underlying municipal bond. As the ratio of the floater’s dollar size to the inverse

floater's dollar size increases, so does the leverage – and, thus, the price volatility – of the inverse floaters.

66. Notably, not one of the Prospectuses that the Fund issued during the Class Period discussed or even revealed the range (or average) of the leverage of the inverse floaters that the Fund created or purchased. This omission is material because the impact of the leverage from the inverse floaters is not simply a matter of the balance sheet or a source of funding. Rather, the leverage affects not only inverse floater price volatility but also the volatility of the Fund's NAV and the investors' exposure to risk, which can be extreme.

67. More than simply failing to disclose the mathematically certain fact that inverse floaters are much more price-volatile than otherwise similar debt securities, the Prospectuses actually suggested that inverse floaters might *not* be more volatile. For example, the March 8, 2007 and October 26, 2007 prospectuses state, misleadingly, that “[t]he market value of inverse floaters *can be* more volatile than that of a conventional fixed-rate bond having similar credit quality, redemption provisions, and maturity.” [Emphasis added.] By stating that inverse floaters *can be* more volatile, Defendants concealed the fact that inverse floaters are *necessarily* more volatile than conventional bonds with similar maturities, credit quality, and other relevant provisions. By suggesting in the Prospectuses that some of its inverse floaters might have the same price stability as otherwise comparable bonds, Defendants, falsely and misleadingly made the Fund appear to be a safer investment than it really was.

68. The inverse floaters that the Fund created and owned carried additional material risks. The arrangements creating the inverse floaters allowed the holders of the floaters to “put” them back to the Trust at any time, usually with seven days' notice. (This characteristic met regulatory requirements for the floaters to be held by money-market mutual funds.) Using this

put option, the holder of the floater could sell it back to the Trust and demand par value or full and undiscounted face value in exchange. If the Sponsor could not re-sell the tendered floaters, it had the right to collapse the Trust by causing all outstanding floaters to be tendered for par and selling the municipal bond held in the Trust to meet the Trust's outstanding obligations (*i.e.*, to pay the holders of the floaters the par value to which their put option entitled them). If municipal rates were rising and bond prices falling – which would likely result in widespread tendering of the floaters – the Fund would be in the difficult position of liquidating the underlying bond at unfavorable prices. Thus, the funding of a long-term bond with short-term financing (via the puttable floater) was a strategy that was starkly incompatible with the objective of “preserving capital.”

69. Throughout the Class Period, the Fund also entered into another risky practice: “shortfall and forbearance” agreements with the Sponsor regarding the creation of a floater and an inverse floater. With this agreement, which was part of certain inverse floater agreements, the Fund obligated itself to reimburse the Sponsor (and through it, the holder of the floater) for any difference between the liquidation value of the underlying security and the par value of a tendered floater.

70. In other words, a shortfall and forbearance agreement obligated the Fund to make up any difference between the market value of the collateral (*i.e.*, the long-term municipal bond originally placed in the Trust to create the floater and companion inverse floater) and the par value of the floater. If such a situation were to arise, the Fund would be forced to sell the underlying bond as well as other securities from its portfolio to satisfy its contractual obligations, regardless of market conditions. Thus, to raise the capital required to meet its obligations under these risky floater agreements, securities that the Fund may have intended to hold for long

periods of time, or which were at any particular moment out of favor with the market and slipping in value, would nevertheless have to be sold at fair market values that were materially lower than the inflated values reported in the Fund's SEC filings.

71. Thus, the supposedly long-term inverse floaters created by the Fund – with purported maturities of 20 to 30 years – were in reality short-term arrangements whereby the Fund purchased long-term bonds with revolving and potentially mercurial loans that the Fund could be forced to repay at any time, with only seven days' notice. The mismatched maturities of shorter-term borrowing and long-term assets exposed the Fund to massive risks inconsistent with the Fund's stated goal of preserving capital, because the strategy effectively converted the stable, long-term bonds into extremely volatile and leveraged short-term instruments. In short, this undisclosed strategy traded the relative safety of conventional municipal bonds, which could be held for a long time and particularly through periods of market turbulence, for just the possibility of risk-induced higher returns in the short run.

72. Additionally, unbeknownst to investors, even when the Fund had not entered into shortfall and forbearance agreements, the Sponsor had the right to – and often did – require the Fund at any time to provide additional collateral if the Sponsor believed that the underlying collateral was insufficient to meet the potential obligations that could arise to the holders of the floaters.

73. Finally, the pervasive illiquidity of the Fund's portfolio actually served to augment the already large risks of the inverse floaters. Indeed, several of the bonds underlying the inverse floaters, such as the bond issued by Salt Verde, Arizona Financial Corp., described above at ¶ 59, were themselves illiquid. By layering risk upon risk, the Fund rendered itself completely ill-equipped to meet its contractual obligations related to inverse floaters, and placed

itself entirely at the mercy of unpredictable movements in interest rates as well as recurring crises in capital markets. This state of affairs, and the significant financial risk to which the Fund was exposed, were not disclosed to the Fund's investors.

D. Defendants Negligently Misrepresented the Fund's Risk Profile, and Failed to Disclose That It Was Wholly Inconsistent with the Preservation of Capital

74. For investors, "preservation of capital" has a specific meaning: preventing loss of principal. *Forbes Investopedia* defines "preservation of capital" as "[a]n investment strategy whose primary goal is to prevent the loss of an investment's total value." Similarly, according to Bloomberg, "preservation of capital" refers to "[a]n investment with the goal of securing the value of the principle [*sic*] by avoiding speculative situations."

75. *Standard & Poor's Guide to the Perfect Portfolio* recommends that investors employ capital preservation strategies, if "[y]ou do not want the principal in your accounts to decline in value." For these investors, "[s]afety is your number one goal. You sacrifice high returns to keep the value of your portfolio stable. Your upside is very modest but your downside is also very modest. Capital protection, not appreciation, is your motto." *Standard & Poor's Guide* also describes critical features of a capital preservation strategy: "Capital preservation and liquidity go hand in hand. ... Any asset that can fall in value should not be included in this conservative strategy. ... The appropriate [capital preservation] fund would have the characteristics of low positive returns, very low risk, and extremely low price fluctuations. ... Any asset that is not guaranteed to maintain its value should not be held."

76. Defendants held the Fund out to investors as a capital preservation fund. The November 28, 2005 prospectus described the Funds' investment objective and strategies as follows:

ABOUT THE FUND

The Fund's Investment Objective and Principal Investment Strategies

WHAT IS THE FUND'S INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE? The Fund seeks as high a level of current interest income exempt from federal income taxes as is available from investing in municipal securities, while attempting to preserve capital.

77. The November 28, 2005 prospectus stated, "The Fund's investment objective is a fundamental policy." In accordance with Section 13(a) of the ICA, the November 28, 2005 prospectus explained, "[f]undamental policies cannot be changed without the approval of a majority of the Fund's outstanding voting shares."

78. Consistent with the Fund's stated investment objective, the November 28, 2005 prospectus represented that "[t]he Manager tries to reduce risks by carefully researching securities before they are purchased." While acknowledging some risks associated with investing in the Fund, the November 28, 2005 prospectus emphasized its conservative nature: "In the OppenheimerFunds spectrum, the Fund is more conservative than some types of taxable bond funds, such as high yield bond funds, but has greater risks than money market funds."

79. The Fund's September 27, 2006, March 8, 2007 and October 26, 2007 prospectuses contained statements about the Fund's investment objective and strategies, fundamental policies, and efforts to reduce risks that were identical to those in the November 28, 2005 prospectus.

80. As alleged more fully above, the Fund invested in volatile inverse floaters and in illiquid securities, both of which investments are wholly inconsistent with the Fund's purported objective of preserving capital in a mutual fund from which investors can and often must withdraw sums regularly. Moreover, the Fund's exposure to these investments was not merely incidental, but rather a very significant part of the Fund's investment strategy.

81. Thus, rather than attempting to achieve as high a level of tax exempt income as possible “while attempting to preserve capital,” which would have entailed investing in “low volatility, highly liquid” assets, the Fund employed a strategy designed to enhance returns through risky investments in highly volatile and/or illiquid assets – individually and in combination – that created an undisclosed risk of loss. The Fund’s investment strategy, therefore, was *not* consistent with the preservation of capital.

E. Defendants Negligently Overstated the Value of the Fund’s Assets and Its NAV

82. Throughout the Class Period, the Fund valued its assets and determined the Fund’s NAV by reference to estimates of value based on the trading data of other, comparable securities. In fact, as was ultimately disclosed – but only after the Class Period – none of the Fund’s investments were priced by reference to trading data. Rather, the Manager valued the Fund’s assets in an opaque process for which there was no market-price check. In the absence of such a check, the Fund’s assets were overvalued. For example, because the Fund failed to properly characterize a substantial portion of its investments as illiquid, the Fund’s pricing did not properly account for and disclose liquidity risk.

83. A change in accounting rules ultimately forced the Fund to disclose that *every single one of its assets was valued on a basis other than the “last sale price.”* In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (“SFAS”) No. 157, which, among other things, requires entities to disclose the valuation inputs they use to measure the “fair value” of their assets.

84. The additional disclosures mandated by SFAS 157 occurred for the first time in the Fund’s shareholder report for the period ended January 31, 2009. In that document, the Fund acknowledged that its entire portfolio was valued based on either “unobservable inputs” or “inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset (such as quoted prices for

similar assets and market-corroborated inputs such as interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risks, etc.).” In other words, *there was no ready and active trading market – and therefore no “bid” and “ask” to use in pricing – for a single security that the Fund held as of January 31, 2009.*

F. The Concealed Risks Materialized and Damaged Investors

85. In 2007 and 2008, municipal interest rates rose and many investors moved away from municipal securities. Thus, floaters based on municipal bonds with lower interest rates became decidedly less attractive and holders of such floaters (predictably) tendered them to the Trusts, demanding par value in exchange. The Trusts’ Sponsors, however, were unable to re-sell them to other investors.

86. Consequently, the Trusts’ Sponsors were forced to collapse the Trusts and sell the underlying securities to pay the holders of the floaters their par value. However, the Manager had not monitored the sufficiency of the segregated collateral. Nor had it monitored the Fund’s exposure under the shortfall and forbearance agreements (despite statements in the Prospectuses that the Manager would do so). Consequently, the underlying securities that had been segregated as collateral were insufficient to meet this obligation, and the Sponsors, therefore, required that additional collateral be provided, which in turn obligated the Fund to make up the difference between what the underlying collateral had sold for, and what was owed to the holders of the floaters. To do so, the Fund was forced to sell still more of its portfolio to raise the necessary capital. Because many of the Fund’s assets were illiquid, or had been overvalued by the Fund, they could be sold only at steep discounts compared to the values reported by the Fund, if at all.

87. After these events occurred, the Fund’s NAV dropped from \$8.97 on January 2, 2008 to \$5.99 on October 21, 2008. For 2008, the average return among U.S. open-ended

municipal bond funds, according to Bloomberg, was -8.05%. In contrast, the Fund's return was an abysmal -41.59%.

88. It was not until October 21, 2008 that the Fund belatedly disclosed the additional and serious risks associated with inverse floaters. Specifically, those risks were that (a) the collateral underlying the floaters was insufficient to cover the Fund's obligation under the floaters, (b) the Fund would have to turn to its other investments to make up the difference, and (c) whether those other investments (presumably because they were illiquid) could be sold "at a disadvantageous time" to raise cash to meet that obligation. In a prospectus supplement filed with the SEC on Form 497, replacing the Fund's previously-issued disclosures relating to inverse floaters, Defendants stated, in relevant part:

...The Fund's investments in inverse floaters involve certain risks. The market value of an inverse floater residual certificate can be more volatile than that of a conventional fixed-rate bond having similar credit quality, maturity and redemption provisions. Typically, inverse floater residual certificates tend to underperform fixed rate bonds when long-term interest rates are rising but tend to outperform fixed rate bonds when long-term interest rates are stable or falling. Inverse floater residual certificates entail a degree of leverage because the trust issues short-term securities in a ratio to the residual certificates with the underlying long-term bond providing collateral for the obligation to pay the principal value of the short-term securities if and when they are tendered. *If the Fund has created the inverse floater by depositing a long-term bond into a trust, it may be required to provide additional collateral for the short-term securities if the value of the underlying bond deposited in the trust falls.*

An inverse floater that has a higher degree of leverage is typically more volatile with respect to its price and income than an inverse floater having a lower degree of leverage. *Under inverse floater arrangements, if the remarketing agent that offers the short term securities for sale is unable to sell them, or if the holders tender (or put) them for repayment of principal and the remarketing agent is unable to remarket them, the remarketing agent may cause the trust to be collapsed, and in the case of floaters created by the Fund, the Fund will then be required to repay the principal amount of the tendered securities. During times of*

market volatility, illiquidity or uncertainty, the Fund could be required to sell other portfolio holdings at a disadvantageous time to raise cash to meet that obligation.

[Emphasis added.]

89. The risks that the Fund could be required to provide additional collateral or to sell other portfolio holdings at a disadvantageous time to raise cash as a result of its investments in inverse floaters had been a “main risk of investing in the Fund” throughout the entire Class Period, but had not been adequately disclosed.

V. **THE PROSPECTUSES WERE REPLETE WITH MATERIALLY FALSE AND MISLEADING STATEMENTS AND OMISSIONS**

90. Defendants issued Prospectuses throughout the Class Period that were replete with materially false and misleading statements and omissions. Specifically, the Prospectuses: (a) grossly understated the percentage of the Fund’s illiquid assets and the Fund’s above-average liquidity risk; (b) failed to disclose that the safeguards that purportedly limited the Fund’s investment in illiquid assets were ineffective and that, consequently, the Fund’s investment in illiquid assets exceeded its purported limits; (c) grossly overvalued the Fund’s assets and overstated the Fund’s NAV; (d) failed to disclose that the Fund’s success depended on steady or falling interest rates, and, consequently, market demand for the securities in which the Fund was heavily invested; (e) failed to disclose the extraordinary volatility of the Fund’s investments in inverse floating rate securities; and (f) stated that the Fund’s investments were consistent with its commitment to preserve capital, when, in fact, the investments were un-hedged, highly leveraged bets against interest rate increases and highly vulnerable to regularly-occurring shifts in the capital market’s willingness to take on risk. In short, Defendants’ negligent, material misstatements and omissions led investors to believe that their principal was invested conservatively in investment grade municipal bonds, consistent with the Fund’s stated objective

of “preservation of capital,” such that they could ride out a financial crisis without serious loss even if they had to make withdrawals, as mutual fund investors may and typically do. In fact, Defendants invested their principal in un-hedged, high-risk bets against rising interest rates that left the Fund and members of the Class extraordinarily vulnerable to market conditions.

A. The Prospectuses Contained Materially False and Misleading Statements Regarding Liquidity

91. Defendants negligently stated throughout the Class Period that at least 85% of the Fund’s assets were liquid. For example, the Fund’s November 28, 2005 Statement of Additional Information contained a Statement of Investments, showing the Fund’s holdings as of that date. Certain of those investments were footnoted as follows:

As of July 31, 2005, investments in securities included issues that are illiquid. A security may be considered illiquid if it lacks a readily available market or if its valuation has not changed for a certain period of time. ***The Fund will not invest more than 10%¹ of its net assets (determined at the time of purchase and reviewed periodically) in illiquid securities. Securities that are illiquid are marked with the applicable footnote on the Statement of Investments.***

[Emphasis added].

92. The Prospectuses further stated that the Fund would take appropriate steps to maintain liquidity. For example, the prospectus dated November 28, 2005 stated:

Illiquid Securities. Investments may be illiquid because they do not have an active trading market, making it difficult to value them or dispose of them promptly at an acceptable price. ***The Fund will not invest more than 15% of its net assets in illiquid securities. The Manager monitors holdings of illiquid securities on an ongoing basis to determine whether to sell any holdings to maintain adequate liquidity.***

[Emphasis added].

¹ At other points in the same prospectus, Defendants represent that the Fund will not invest more than 15% of its net assets in illiquid securities. *See infra*, ¶ 92.

93. These statements were, in sum and substance, repeated in the Fund's prospectuses dated September 27, 2006, March 8, 2007, and October 26, 2007, and reinforced in the Statements of Additional Information, each of which stated, in substantially the same language, that "the Manager determines the liquidity of certain of the Fund's investments and monitors holdings of illiquid securities on an ongoing basis to determine whether to sell any holdings to meet percentage restrictions."

94. The statements identified in ¶¶ 91-93 were materially false and misleading for the following reasons, among others:

- a. The footnotes described in ¶ 91 purported to identify *all* of the Fund's illiquid holdings, when in fact the Fund had numerous and substantial investments that were illiquid but not identified as such;
- b. Based on a review of the Fund's holdings with principal amounts in excess of \$5,400,000, as listed in the Fund's shareholder report for the period ending July 31, 2008, which collectively represent more than 70% of the Fund's net assets, the aggregate value of illiquid securities held as of July 31, 2008 represented at least 30.05% of the value of the Fund's net assets, even before its smaller, and likely less liquid, holdings are taken into account. This is well in excess of the Fund's purported 15% limit on such investments.
- c. Defendants failed to monitor or sell the Fund's illiquid holdings or otherwise take action that would have allowed the Fund to maintain adequate liquidity, which meant that the Fund was unable to meet its obligations related to inverse floaters, as described above.

d. In the class action lawsuit against Oppenheimer's Champion Fund pending before this Court, Defendants take the position that whether a security is illiquid is "not a cut-and-dried question" but a "difficult and complicated assessment" that involves a "judgment call." To the extent that this representation by Defendants is true, their prior repeated representation in the Prospectuses that the Fund would not exceed a 15% cap on investments in illiquid securities is necessarily false and misleading, and omitted to state other facts necessary to make the statement true; Defendants failed to inform investors that in promising to maintain a 15% cap on illiquid investments, the Fund's definition of illiquidity was merely a subjective assessment that could not be meaningfully enforced or even verified and monitored.

B. The Prospectuses Contained Materially False and Misleading Statements Regarding Inverse Floaters

95. Throughout the Class Period, Defendants negligently made materially false and misleading statements and omissions in the Prospectuses with respect to the risks arising from the Fund's investments in inverse floaters.

96. In this regard, the prospectus dated November 28, 2005 stated, in relevant part, as follows:

Inverse Floaters Have Special Risks. Variable rate bonds known as "inverse floaters" pay interest at rates that move in the opposite direction of yields on short-term bonds in response to market changes. As interest rates rise, inverse floaters produce less current income, and *their market value can become volatile. ... The Fund will not invest more than 20% of its total assets in inverse floaters.*

[Emphasis added].

97. The above statement was substantively repeated in the Fund’s prospectuses dated September 27, 2006, March 8, 2007, and October 26, 2007.

98. The prospectus dated September 27, 2006 further stated that “[w]hen the Fund invests in certain derivatives, for example, inverse floaters with ‘shortfall’ agreements [] and swaps, *the Fund must segregate cash or readily marketable short-term debt instruments in an amount equal to the obligation.*” [Emphasis added]. That statement was repeated in the Fund’s prospectuses dated March 8, 2007 and October 26, 2007. The Statements of Additional Information filed with each of those three prospectuses described the shortfall and forbearance agreements, in sub and substance, as follows:

The Fund enters into shortfall and forbearance agreements with the sponsors of certain inverse floaters held by the Fund. These agreements commit the Fund to pay the sponsor of the inverse floater, in certain circumstances, the difference between the liquidation value of the underlying security (which is the basis of the inverse floater) and the principal amount due to the holders of the floating rate security issued in conjunction with the inverse floater (the “shortfall”).

99. Further, each of those Statements of Additional Information stated that “[*t*]*he Manager monitors the Fund’s potential exposure with respect to these agreements on a daily basis* and intends to take action to terminate the Fund’s investment in the inverse floaters, as it deems appropriate.” [Emphasis added].

100. The statements identified in ¶¶ 96-99 were materially false and misleading for the following reasons, among others:

- a. They failed to disclose that, although the Fund may have limited its investment in inverse floaters to 20% of its assets, the inverse floaters were highly leveraged, and their use could cause the Fund to be forced to sell far more than 20% of its assets and, therefore, the Fund’s exposure

was many times greater than 20% of the Fund's asset value. Moreover, since the Fund materially overstated the reported values of its illiquid securities, Defendants' statement that the inverse floater concentration was limited to 20% of its assets was materially false and misleading because the actual percentage was higher;

- b. due to their inherent leverage, inverse floaters not only "can" be volatile, they are in fact *certain* to be volatile;
- c. the Fund did not segregate cash or readily marketable short-term debt instruments sufficient to cover its obligations under the inverse floaters and, therefore, faced the risk of selling, and indeed, to meet those obligations, was forced to sell other illiquid securities at fair market values that were significantly lower than the inflated values reported in the Fund's financial statements; and
- d. the Manager did not monitor the Fund's potential exposure to the shortfall and forbearance agreements, as evidenced by the Fund's failure to segregate liquid assets sufficient to meet its obligations under those agreements.

101. Similarly, each of the Fund's Statements of Investments included in the Statements of Additional Information throughout the Class Period contained a list of the Fund's holdings, and purported to identify holdings which had been segregated as collateral obligations. These identifications were materially false and misleading for the following reasons, among others:

- a. They materially overvalued the holdings that had been segregated, both disguising the risk to the Fund's other holdings and falsely inflating the net asset value of the Fund, and
- b. They purported to identify *all* holdings that acted as collateral when in fact, because of the insufficiency of the holdings marked as collateral, other of the Fund's holdings were also at risk of forced sales.

C. The Prospectuses Contained Materially False and Misleading Statements Regarding the Fund's Investment Strategy

102. In the Fund's registration statements and prospectuses issued before and during the Class Period Defendants, negligently misrepresented the fundamental nature of the Fund's investment strategy as "attempting to preserve capital." For example, the Fund's prospectus issued on November 28, 2005 stated that "[t]he Fund seeks as high a level of current interest income exempt from federal income taxes as is available from investing in municipal securities, *while attempting to preserve capital.*" [Emphasis added]. Each prospectus issued during the Class Period contained this language and, furthermore, stated: "In the OppenheimerFunds spectrum, the Fund is more conservative than some types of taxable bond funds, such as high yield bond funds, but has greater risks than money market funds." As demonstrated by the allegations above, these statements were materially false and misleading because the Fund's investment strategy was wholly *inconsistent* with the goal of preservation of capital in a mutual fund. Rather, the Fund had made large, leveraged (and ultimately ill-advised) bets on the direction of interest rates – bets which it could not afford to lose, in large part because of the illiquidity of its holdings.

D. The Prospectuses Contained Materially False and Misleading Statements Regarding the Value of the Fund's Investments and the Fund's Net Asset Value

103. Throughout the Class Period, Defendants negligently stated that the Fund's securities were valued at "fair value" which was generally determined by one of several methods, such as a closing price on an exchange, the mean between the "bid" and "ask" prices recorded by an exchange, the best judgment of a pricing service, or procedures internal to the Fund and not revealed in the Prospectuses. For example, the Statement of Additional Information that accompanied the Fund's prospectus filed November 28, 2005, stated:

SECURITIES VALUATION. The Fund calculates the net asset value of its shares as of the close of The New York Stock Exchange (the Exchange), normally 4:00 P.M. Eastern time, on each day the Exchange is open for business. *Securities listed or traded on National Stock Exchanges or other domestic exchanges are valued based on the last sale price of the security traded on that exchange prior to the time when the Fund's assets are valued. Securities traded on NASDAQ are valued based on the closing price provided by NASDAQ prior to the time when the Fund's assets are valued.* In the absence of a sale, the security is valued at the last sale price on the prior trading day, if it is within the spread of the closing "bid" and "asked" prices, and if not, at the closing bid price. Securities traded on foreign exchanges are valued based on the last sale price on the principal exchange on which the security is traded, in the country that is identified by the portfolio pricing service, prior to the time when the Fund's assets are valued. In the absence of a sale, the security is valued at the official closing price on the principal exchange. ... *Securities (including restricted securities) for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at their fair value.* Foreign and domestic securities whose values have been materially affected by what the Manager identifies as a significant event occurring before the Fund's assets are valued but after the close of their respective exchanges will be fair valued. *Fair value is determined in good faith using consistently applied procedures under the supervision of the Board of Trustees.*

[Emphasis added].

104. That same document further stated that long-term debt securities held by the Fund (such as those used as collateral in the creation of inverse floaters) were valued as follows:

Long-term debt securities having a remaining maturity in excess of 60 days are valued based on the mean between the “bid” and “asked” prices determined by a portfolio pricing service approved by the Fund’s Board of Trustees or obtained by the Manager from two active market makers in the security on the basis of reasonable inquiry.

Securities (including restricted securities) not having readily-available market quotations are valued at fair value determined under the Board’s procedures. ***If the Manager is unable to locate two market makers willing to give quotes, a security may be priced at the mean between the “bid” and “asked” prices provided by a single active market maker (which in certain cases may be the “bid” price if no “asked” price is available).***

In the case of municipal securities, when last sale information is not generally available, the Manager may use pricing services approved by the Board of Trustees. The pricing service may use “matrix” comparisons to the prices for comparable instruments on the basis of quality, yield and maturity. Other special factors may be involved (such as the tax-exempt status of the interest paid by municipal securities). ***The Manager will monitor the accuracy of the pricing services. That monitoring may include comparing prices used for portfolio valuation to actual sales prices of selected securities.***

[Emphasis added].

105. These statements were repeated in the Prospectuses dated September 27, 2006, March 8, 2007, and October 26, 2007.

106. These statements were materially false and misleading, as evidenced by two separate events.

107. First, as evidenced by the insufficiency of the Fund’s assets that were purportedly segregated as collateral, the Manager did not “monitor the accuracy” of the pricing services the Fund used. Rather, investments whose value should have been lowered on the Fund’s books were not reduced, ultimately damaging the Fund when it lacked sufficient collateral to satisfy its other obligations. In the course of selling those holdings, the Fund received only their true “fair

value,” which was far less than the value Defendants reported in Fund financial statements that were filed with the SEC.

108. Second, as the Fund was ultimately forced to disclose pursuant to SFAS 157, not a single one of its holdings traded on the NASDAQ or any other national securities exchange.

VI. CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

109. Lead Plaintiff brings this action as a class action pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(a) and (b)(3) on behalf of a class consisting of all persons or entities who acquired shares of the Fund traceable to the false and misleading Registration Statements during the period from May 13, 2006 through October 21, 2008. Excluded from the Class are Defendants; the Officers and Trustees of the Fund, OppenheimerFunds, Oppenheimer Distributor, and any of the other Defendants; members of their immediate families and their legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns; and any entity in which Defendants have or had a controlling interest.

110. The members of the Class are so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable. While the exact number of Class members is unknown to Lead Plaintiff at this time and can only be ascertained through appropriate discovery, Lead Plaintiff believes that there are at least hundreds of members in the proposed Class. Record owners and other members of the Class may be identified from records maintained by OppenheimerFunds or its transfer agent and may be notified of the pendency of this action by mail, using the forms of notice similar to that customarily used in securities class actions. The Fund has millions of outstanding shares.

111. Lead Plaintiff’s claims are typical of the claims of the members of the Class as all members of the Class are similarly affected by Defendants’ wrongful conduct alleged herein.

112. Lead Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the members of the Class and has retained counsel competent and experienced in class and securities litigation.

113. Common questions of law and fact exist as to all members of the Class and predominate over any questions solely affecting individual members of the Class. Among the questions of law and fact common to the Class are:

- whether the 1933 Act and ICA were violated by Defendants' acts as alleged herein;
- whether statements contained in the Fund's Prospectuses, registration statements and other materials incorporated therein misrepresented or omitted material facts about the Fund;
- whether the members of the Class have sustained damages and, if so, the proper measure of such damages; and
- whether Defendants caused the Fund to deviate from a fundamental policy that could only be changed by a shareholder vote.

114. A class action is superior to all other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy since joinder of all members is impracticable. Furthermore, as the damages suffered by individual Class members may be relatively small, the expense and burden of individual litigation make it impossible for members of the Class to individually redress the wrongs done to them. There will be no difficulty in the management of this action as a class action.

VII. CAUSES OF ACTION

COUNT I:

VIOLATIONS OF § 11 OF THE 1933 ACT AGAINST THE FUND TRUSTEES AND/OR SIGNATORIES OF THE REGISTRATION STATEMENTS, AMT-FREE FUND, OPPENHEIMERFUNDS, AND OPPENHEIMER DISTRIBUTOR

115. Lead Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation above as if set forth fully herein.

116. This Count is brought pursuant to Section 11 of the 1933 Act, 15 U.S.C. § 77k, against Defendants Murphy, Wruble, Downes, Fink, Galli, Griffiths, Miller, Motley, Reynolds,

Wikler, Wold, Yeutter, Randall, and Wixted, who served as trustees and/or officers during the Class Period and/or signed one or more of the Fund's registration statements (collectively, the "Individual Section 11 Defendants"). It is also brought against the Fund, which issued shares, and OppenheimerFunds and Oppenheimer Distributor, which underwrote shares pursuant to the Fund's registration statements. These Defendants violated, or controlled a person who violated, Section 11 of the 1933 Act.

117. This Count is not based on and does not sound in fraud.

118. The Individual Section 11 Defendants signed at least one registration statement issued by the Fund during the Class Period, and/or served as a director/trustee or in a similar capacity during the Class Period. The Fund issued securities pursuant to the Fund's registration statements issued during the Class Period. Oppenheimer Distributor and OppenheimerFunds underwrote securities pursuant to the Fund's registration statements issued during the Class Period.

119. The Defendants named in this Count were responsible for the contents and dissemination of the Fund's registration statements.

120. The Fund's registration statements contained untrue statements of material facts, failed to state other facts necessary to make the statements made not misleading, and/or failed to state material facts required to be stated therein.

121. None of the Defendants named in this Count made a reasonable investigation or possessed reasonable grounds for the belief that the statements contained in the Fund's registration statements were true and without omissions of any material facts and were not misleading.

122. Lead Plaintiff and the Class acquired the Fund's shares pursuant to one or more materially false and misleading registration statements.

123. Lead Plaintiff and the Class have sustained damages in that the value of the Fund's shares has declined substantially from the prices at which they were purchased.

124. At the time of their purchases of the Fund's shares, Lead Plaintiff and other members of the Class were without knowledge of the facts concerning the untrue statements or omissions alleged herein and could not have reasonably discovered those facts prior to the date that the initial complaint in this action was filed.

125. Less than one year elapsed between the time that Lead Plaintiff or any member of the Class discovered or reasonably could have discovered the facts alleged herein, and the date that the initial complaint in this action was filed. Less than three years elapsed between the time that Lead Plaintiff or any member of the Class purchased the Fund shares upon which this Count is brought and the date the initial complaint in this action was filed.

COUNT II:

VIOLATIONS OF SECTION 12(A)(2) OF THE 1933 ACT AGAINST DEFENDANTS AMT-FREE FUND, OPPENHEIMERFUNDS, AND OPPENHEIMER DISTRIBUTOR

126. Lead Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation above as if set forth fully herein.

127. This Count is brought pursuant to Section 12(a)(2) of the 1933 Act, 15 U.S.C. § 771(a)(2), on behalf of Lead Plaintiff and all members of the Class who were offered or sold shares of the Fund as participants in the distribution of the Fund's shares against Defendants AMT-Free Fund, OppenheimerFunds, and Oppenheimer Distributor (the "Section 12(a)(2) Defendants"). These Defendants violated, or controlled a person who violated, Section 12(a)(2) of the 1933 Act.

128. This Count is not based on and does not sound in fraud.

129. The Section 12(a)(2) Defendants offered, solicited, distributed, and/or sold a security, namely shares of the Fund, by means of the Prospectuses. The Prospectuses contained untrue and/or misleading statements of material fact, contained material omissions, or omitted material facts necessary in order to make the statements, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The Section 12(a)(2) Defendants knew, or in the exercise of reasonable care would have known, that these statements were materially false.

130. The Section 12(a)(2) Defendants actively solicited the sale of the Fund's shares through the Prospectuses, advertising, and other marketing efforts to serve their own financial interests, and are liable to Lead Plaintiff and Class members pursuant to Section 12(a)(2) of the 1933 Act, as sellers of the shares of the Fund.

131. At the time they purchased the Fund's shares from the Section 12(a)(2) Defendants, Lead Plaintiff and other members of the Class did not know that the representations made to them by the Section 12(a)(2) Defendants (in connection with the distribution of shares) and the matters described above were untrue, did not know the above-described omitted material facts were not disclosed and could not have reasonably discovered those facts.

132. Less than one year elapsed between the time that Lead Plaintiff or any member of the Class discovered or reasonably could have discovered the facts alleged herein, and the date that the initial complaint in this action was filed. Less than three years elapsed between the time that Lead Plaintiff or any member of the Class purchased the Fund shares upon which this Count is brought and the date the initial complaint in this action was filed.

133. Pursuant to Section 12(a)(2) of the 1933 Act, Lead Plaintiff and Class members are entitled to recover, upon tender of the Fund shares they purchased, the consideration paid for

the shares with interest thereon, less the amount of any income received thereon, or damages resulting from the Section 12(a)(2) Defendants' conduct.

134. Lead Plaintiff and putative Class members who still hold shares of the Fund hereby tender any and all shares that were damaged by Defendants' violation of Section 12(a)(2) of the Securities Act, in exchange for consideration paid for those securities, and any interest accrued thereon.

COUNT III:

**VIOLATIONS OF SECTION 15 OF THE 1933 ACT
AGAINST THE INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANTS, MASSMUTUAL AND
OPPENHEIMERFUNDS**

135. Lead Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained above as if fully set forth herein.

136. This Count is brought pursuant to Section 15 of the 1933 Act against the Individual Defendants, MassMutual, and OppenheimerFunds as control persons of the Fund, who violated Sections 11 and Section 12, as described in Counts I and II (the "Section 15 Defendants").

137. Each of the Individual Defendants was a control person of the Fund by virtue of his or her position as a trustee and/or senior officer of the Fund. The Individual Defendants were in a position to, and did, control the Fund's operations and disclosures made by the Fund in the Prospectuses issued during the Class Period.

138. OppenheimerFunds was a control person of the Fund by virtue of its position as the Fund manager responsible for, among other things, choosing the Fund's investments and handling its day-to-day business. MassMutual was a control person of the Fund by virtue of its ownership of the Fund and ability to exercise control of the Fund.

139. The Section 15 Defendants are liable, as control persons, for damages caused by the Fund's violations of Sections 11 and Section 12.

140. The Section 15 Defendants did not make a reasonable investigation or possess reasonable grounds for the belief that the statements contained in the Prospectuses were accurate and complete in all material respects. Had they exercised reasonable care, they could have known of the material misstatements and omissions alleged herein.

141. This claim was brought within one year after the discovery of the untrue statements and omissions in the Prospectuses and within three years after the Fund's shares were sold to the Class.

142. By reason of the misconduct alleged herein, for which the Fund is primarily liable, as set forth above, the Section 15 Defendants are jointly and severally liable with and to the same extent as the Fund pursuant to 1933 Act.

COUNT IV:

**VIOLATIONS OF SECTION 13(A) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT
AGAINST DEFENDANT AMT-FREE FUND**

143. Lead Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained above as if fully set forth herein.

144. This Count is brought pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Investment Company Act, 15 U.S.C. § 80a-13(a), on behalf of the Class, against Defendant AMT-Free Fund, which violated Section 13(a).

145. The Fund is a registered investment company under the Investment Company Act. It issued, and caused to be issued, registration statements during the Class Period that disclosed the Fund's policies with regard to its investment objectives, described herein.

146. Section 13(a) of the Investment Company Act creates liability for any investment company that, without shareholder approval, “deviate[s] from any investment policy which is changeable only if authorized by shareholder vote, or deviate[s] from any policy recited in its registration statement....” 15 U.S.C. § 80a-13(a).

147. The Fund did not obtain authorization from a majority of its outstanding voting shares prior to deviating from the Fund’s fundamental investment policies recited in the registration statements issued during the Class Period.

148. The Fund’s deviation from its fundamental investment policies recited in the registration statements issued during the Class Period exposed Lead Plaintiff and the Class to increased risks.

149. Lead Plaintiff and the Class sustained damages because the value of the Fund’s shares has declined substantially as a result of the Fund’s investments that were made in violation of the Fund’s fundamental investment policies recited in the registration statements issued during the Class Period, and that have caused significant losses to the Fund’s net asset value.

VIII. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Lead Plaintiff, on behalf of himself and the other members of the Class, prays for judgment as follows:

A. Declaring this action to be a class action properly maintained pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, certifying the Class with Lead Plaintiff as Class Representative and certifying Lead Plaintiff’s counsel as Class Counsel;

B. Awarding Lead Plaintiff and the other members of the Class damages against Defendants, jointly and severally, together with interest thereon;

C. Awarding Lead Plaintiff and the other members of the Class rescission on Count II to the extent they still hold Fund shares and were damaged thereby, or if sold, awarding rescissory damages in accordance with Section 12(a)(2) of the 1933 Act from the Defendants named in that Count;

D. Awarding Lead Plaintiff and the other members of the Class their costs and expenses of this litigation, including reasonable attorneys' fees, accountants' fees, experts' fees and other costs and disbursements; and

E. Awarding Lead Plaintiff and the other members of the Class such other and further relief as the Court deems appropriate under the circumstances.

IX. DEMAND FOR TRIAL BY JURY

Lead Plaintiff demands a trial by jury.

Dated: January 15, 2010

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that the foregoing was filed with this Court on January 15, 2010 through the CM/ECF system and will be sent electronically to all registered participants as identified on the Notice of Electronic Filing, and paper copies will be sent to those indicated as non-registered participants.

s/ Rusty E. Glenn
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EXHIBIT A

**CERTIFICATION OF PLAINTIFF
PURSUANT TO FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS**

I, Leonard Klorfine, ("Plaintiff") declare, as to the claims asserted under the federal securities laws, that:

1. I have reviewed a class action complaint asserting securities claims against Oppenheimer AMT-Free Municipals Fund (OPTAX, OTFBX, or OMFCX) and wish to join as a plaintiff retaining Cohen Milstein Sellers & Toll PLLC as my counsel.

2. Plaintiff did not purchase the security that is the subject of this action at the direction of plaintiff's counsel or in order to participate in this private action.

3. Plaintiff is willing to serve as a representative party on behalf of the class, including providing testimony at deposition and trial, if necessary.

4. My transactions in the Oppenheimer AMT-Free Municipals Fund (OPTAX, OTFBX, or OMFCX) during the Class Period of May 13, 2006 through October 21, 2008 are listed in their entirety in the attachment to this form.

5. During the three years prior to the date of this Certificate, Plaintiff has not sought to serve or served as a representative party for a class in any action under the federal securities laws except as follows:

- Manson v. Municipal Mortgage & Equity, LLC, et al.*, No. 08-cv-00269 (MJG) (D. Md.)
- Bernstein v. Rochester Fund Municipals, et al.*, No. 09 Civ. 807 (RID) (E.D.N.Y.)
- Woods v. Oppenheimer Pennsylvania Municipal Fund, et al.*, No. 09-cv-1483-JLK-KMT (D. Colo.)
- Bock v. Oppenheimer Rochester National Municipals, et al.*, No. 09-cv-550-JLK-KMT (D. Colo.)

6. Plaintiff will not accept any payment for serving as a representative party on behalf of the class beyond plaintiff's *pro rata* share of any recovery, except such reasonable costs and expenses (including lost wages) directly relating to the representation of the class as ordered or approved by the court.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 8th day of July, 2009.



Leonard Klorfine OPTAX Transactions

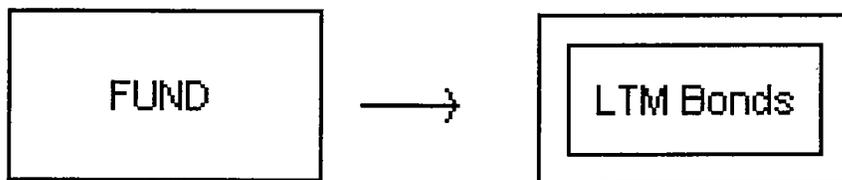
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9/19/2007	Buy	31479.538	9.53
9/24/2007	Buy	38.406	9.6399
9/26/2007	Buy	207.898	9.4999
10/24/2007	Buy	336.417	9.5499
11/28/2007	Buy	353.774	9.12
12/31/2007	Buy	362.908	8.93
1/23/2008	Buy	359.393	9.1699
2/6/2008	Buy	27746.948	9.01
2/27/2008	Buy	447.342	8.4899
2/27/2008	Buy	29832.936	8.38
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4/23/2008	Buy	679.717	8.41
5/28/2008	Buy	714.645	8.43
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6/26/2008	Buy	31017.37	8.06
7/23/2008	Buy	899.453	7.88
8/27/2008	Buy	934.81	7.9799
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EXHIBIT B

THE TENDER OPTION BOND PROGRAM

STEP ONE

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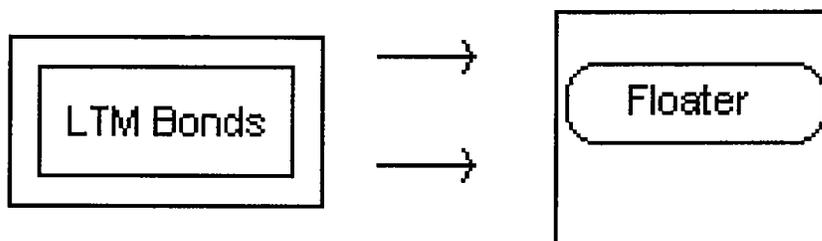


FUND places Long Term Municipal Bonds ("LTM BONDS") in TRUST

STEP TWO

TRUST operated by SPONSOR

3rd PARTY

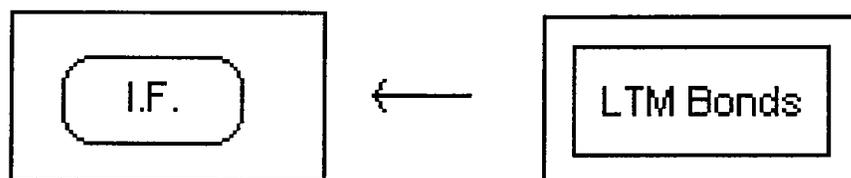


TRUST issues FLOATERS to 3rd PARTIES. FLOATERS pay short term interest rate that TRUST can afford because the LTM BONDS pay a greater interest to the TRUST.

STEP THREE

FUND

TRUST operated by SPONSOR



TRUST issues INVERSE FLOATER ("I.F.") to the FUND. I.F. pays the difference between the interest of the LTM BOND and the interest of the FLOATER. As short term interest rates increase, the value of the I.F. decrease.

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INTEREST RATES

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PAYMENTS OF FLOATERS AND INVERSE FLOATERS

	Short Term Interest Rates INCREASE	Short Term Interest Rates DECREASE
Payments of Floater	INCREASE	DECREASE
Payments of I.F.	DECREASE	INCREASE