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Securities Regulators Announce Settlement with Wachovia Over Sale of Auction Rate Securities

Under the terms of the agreement, Wachovia will repurchase illiquid ARS securities from all non-profit charities, as well as all individuals and businesses with account or household values up to \$10 million, no later than November 28, 2008. All other investors will be able to redeem their ARS securities no later than June 30, 2009.

Wachovia will also:

- Fully reimburse all retail investors who sold their auction rate securities at a discount after the market failed in February 2008;
- Consent to a special, public arbitration procedure to resolve claims of
 consequential damages suffered by retail investors as a result of not being able to
 access their funds, in which Wachovia will not contest its liability related to the
 sale of ARS securities; and
- Reimburse all refinancing fees to municipal issuers who issued auction rate securities through Wachovia since August 1, 2007, and who refinanced those securities after the market failed.

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