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## 2011 Year-End Reporting Layouts and Target Delivery Date

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CLOSED-END INVESTMENT COMPANY COMMITTEE No. 45-11 RE: 2011 YEAR-END REPORTING LAYOUTS AND TARGET DELIVERY DATE

Attached are the primary, secondary and NRA layouts (all in excel spreadsheet form) for use by regulated investment companies ("RICs") in reporting 2011 year-end tax information to brokers and banks. [1] The 2011 primary layout has been designed to "track" IRS Form 1099-DIV. The 2011 secondary layout provides a format for RICs to use in reporting various additional tax-related items. The 2011 NRA layout should be used in connection with reporting information on IRS Form 1042-S. All three 2011 layouts are identical to the 2010 layouts. The 2011 formats are available on the Institute's website at <a href="http://www.ici.org/policy/tax/yearendrep">http://www.ici.org/policy/tax/yearendrep</a>.

The requested target date for delivering year-end tax information to brokers and banks (the "target delivery date") will be Tuesday, January 17, 2012 for the primary layout, [2] Monday, January 23, 2012 for the secondary layout, and Monday, February 13, 2012 for the NRA layout. All three of these dates are earlier than the comparable dates for last year's information.

Fund complexes are encouraged to send their year-end tax information to brokers and banks as soon as it is ready. If a complex requires additional time to prepare data for one or more of its funds, it may choose to communicate with the brokers and banks that distribute its funds to arrange an alternate date.

The rules governing the proper tax characterization of fund distributions can be complex. Funds should consult their tax advisors regarding the proper tax characterization and reporting of their distributions.

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## Attachment

## endnotes

- [1] Hard copies of the documents and spreadsheets will be provided to any Institute member who contacts the Institute's Ezella Wynn (<a href="mailto:ewynn@ici.org">ewynn@ici.org</a> or 202/218-3560).
- [2] The target delivery date is Tuesday, January 17 (rather than Monday, January 16) because Martin Luther King Jr. Day will be celebrated in 2012 on Monday the 16th.

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