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Subject: PLUS/SLS Variable Interest Rate for 2009 – “91-day Treasury Bill” Method

Due to the wording of the promissory notes, some loans are subject to a calendar-year adjustment of the variable interest rate, based on the “91-day Treasury Bill” method that existed in statute [section 427A(c)(4)] prior to enactment of the Higher Education Technical Amendments Act of 1987 (Pub. L. 100-50). The rate is equal to the “average of the 91-day Treasury Bills auctioned during the 12-month period ending November 30” plus 3.75 percent, not to exceed 12 percent.

Accordingly, we have determined that the variable interest rate for **calendar year 2009** is 5.50 percent [1.75% (the 91-day T-bill average) + 3.75%].

Please note that this rate applies only to PLUS/SLS promissory notes that provide for a calendar year adjustment based on the “91-day Treasury Bill” method.

Due to no reported activity for these loan types during the past two years, this will be the last publication of this memo.

Accounting Division
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Attachment

Attachment – 91-Day Treasury Bills (12-Month Period Ending 11/30/08)

AUCTION DATE	BOND EQUIVALENT RATE
2007	
12/03	3.104
12/10	3.073
12/17	3.073
12/24	3.363
12/31	3.394
2008	
1/07	3.259
1/14	3.156
1/22	2.424
1/28	2.388
2/04	2.280
2/11	2.301
2/19	2.249
2/25	2.208
3/03	1.823
3/10	1.445
3/17	1.118
3/24	1.220
3/31	1.465
4/07	1.476
4/14	1.078
4/21	1.343
4/28	1.445
5/05	1.639
5/12	1.833
5/19	1.890

2008 (continued)	
5/27	1.905
6/02	1.854
6/09	1.885
6/16	2.089
6/23	1.890
6/30	1.936
7/07	1.900
7/14	1.639
7/21	1.547
7/28	1.726
8/04	1.741
8/11	1.905
8/18	1.885
8/25	1.741
9/02	1.716
9/08	1.721
9/15	1.067
9/22	1.445
9/29	1.118
10/06	0.467
10/14	0.508
10/20	1.271
10/27	0.915
11/03	0.538
11/10	0.360
11/17	0.152
11/24	0.152
TOTAL	91.12
AVERAGE: 1.75	