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Fidelity Capital Markets (FCM) Facts

- Customer-focused institutional trading arm of Fidelity Investments
- FCM is a full service underwriter with \$1.7 billion capital base*
- Conduit to 12 million individual accounts and with \$1 billion in assets**
- Active in competitive municipal market since 1987
- Began seeking role as co-manager in 2007 to help meet demands of retail investors
- Debra Saunders
 - Over 20 years as credit analyst at Ambac Assurance
 - Masters in Public Administration
 - Series 7, 63
 - Opened West Region Municipal Underwriting office for Fidelity Capital Markets in 2010



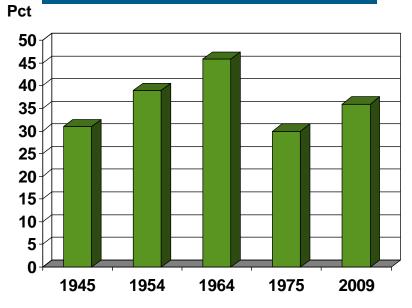
^{*} September, 2010 FOCUS Report

^{**} Fidelity unaudited internal data

The Missing Piece

- According to the Municipal Securities
 Rulemaking Board (MSRB)*, 2 million
 trades, 39% of par occurred within 2
 months after initial offering date in 2009.
 Figures drop to 5% or less after that
 through maturity
- Thus: almost 40% of bonds are sold to buy and hold investors after issuance
- More than ½ of secondary market trades in 2009 were \$25,000 or less
- Average daily trade size has been dropping since 2007
- Moreover, 3 times as many customers bought from dealers as sold to dealers

Household holders of municipal bonds as percent of total par outstanding



*Sources: Federal Reserve Flow of Funds



^{*}Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, 2009 Fact Book

Faces of Retail

- Mom and Pop
- High-Net-Worth
- Separately Managed Accounts (SMAs)
 - Professionally managed retail
 - SMAs and individuals have relationships with only a few firms reduces duplicate orders
 - Relatively committed to particular platform
- Trusts and Family Offices



Where Did All the Retail Go?

Why is such large segment of ultimate owners absent during bond issuance? Historically, order periods were 3 weeks long, broker dealers were paid 4% to find buyers and had plenty of time to do so

- Model has shifted due to technology and competition
 - Compressed spreads
 - Wholesale-oriented platform
- Inefficiencies in the market seem to benefit institutional buyers
 - Compensation based on relative return
 - Versus income and safety



Why Target Retail?

- The municipal market is fragmented and retail investors make up a critical component of the investor base.
- During credit crisis, institutional bids were scarce, retail orders for fixed income took up the slack.
- A marketing plan that accommodates retail can help effective market penetration.

Example: State of California

March 2008: \$1.7 billion general obligation bonds

Record \$1 billion sold to retail

Yields cut 15 bps during pricing



Primary vs. Secondary

Potential benefits to retail investors in the new issue market

- Accommodating retail order periods
- Transparency and equality of pricing
- Potentially lower transactions costs
- Market risk ONLY if bonds are sold prior to maturity
- Up-to-date disclosure
- Ability to buy local



What does retail look for?

- Reasonable certainty of order execution
- Cash flows that are intended to match expected needs
 - College
 - Retirement
 - Income
- Do it yourselfers
 - Choice whether to talk to a broker
 - Tools for research
 - Liquidity
- Coupon and redemption structures
 - Serial bonds
 - Call protection
 - Par bonds



Costly Ways to help drive demand for bonds

Make them cheaper (offer higher interest rates)

Offer less of them (increase pay as you go)

Pay brokers more to sell them



Less Costly Ways to help drive demand for bonds

- Broaden investor base
 - Create new product like a taxable bond that can match or beat tax-exempt cost of borrowing
 - Reach greater number of buyers
 - ➤ Build awareness
 - ✓ Advertising
 - ➤ Drill down -- reach all market sectors
 - ✓ Institutional
 - ✓ Middle Market
 - **✓** RETAIL



How to Reach Retail Buyers

- Marketing process that is accommodative and can reach all investors
- Retail order periods
 - Negotiated sales only
 - Prior to institutional sales
 - Extended order periods: multiple days, open over weekend
 - Time of day is important
- Engage retail brokers
 - Need reasonable certainty that bonds will be allocated
 - Use retail order period



Sending Strong Credit Message

- Fears in market over credit
 - Sense that bigger trouble may be ahead
 - Pension funding burdens
 - Large budget gaps
 - Municipal bankruptcy chatter
 - Adjusting to life without bond insurance
- Requires proactive response from issuers
 - Proactive engagement: Clear, consistent credit message, repeat often
 - Marketing efforts that target individual investors
 - Full disclosure (obviously) and compliance with continuing disclosure
 - Address pension funding, impact of federal/state funding cuts, one-shot measures
 - Reforms



Retail has been moving to the web

Web-based tools

- Alerts
- Placing orders during bond pricing
- Investor tools
- Education and pricing transparency

Secondary market

- Attracts investors to platform
- Enhances liquidity



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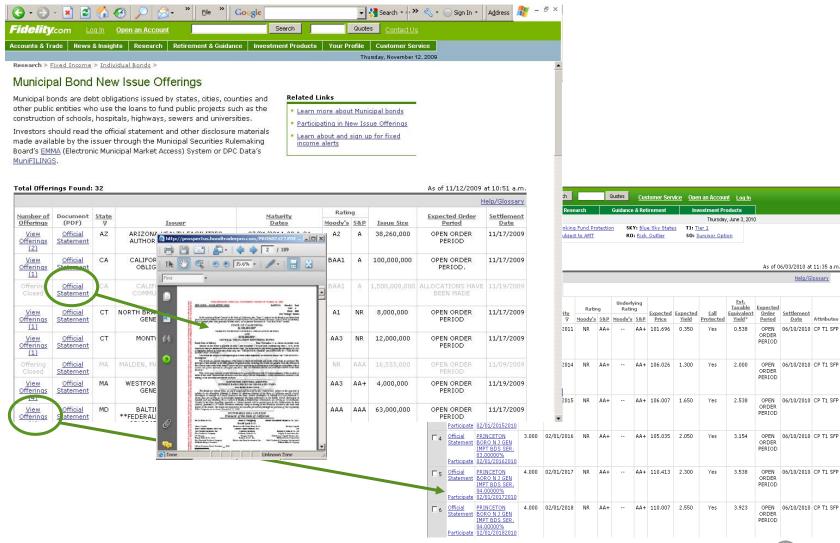
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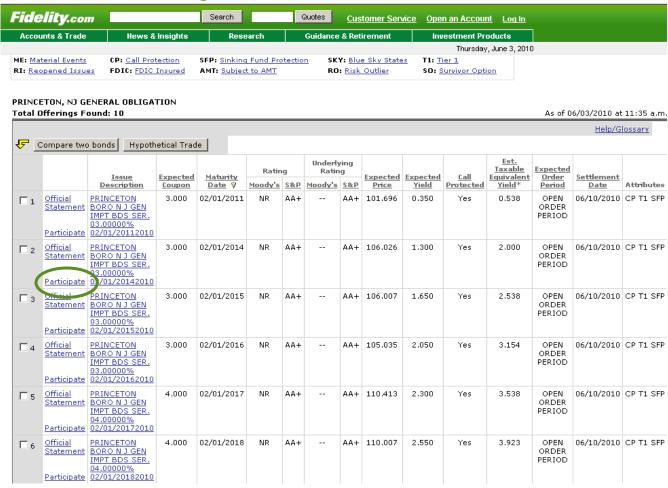
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Promote transparency by increasing simplicity and education

- Retail investors have option to place orders <u>during pricing</u>
- Anyone can view offerings





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