

News Release

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Wilmington Funds to Participate in New Money Market Guarantee Program***Insurance will provide additional reassurance to shareholders during period of market volatility***

Wilmington, DE, October 3, 2008 – Wilmington Trust announced today that the Board of Trustees of its mutual fund family, the Wilmington Funds, authorized participation in the U.S. Treasury Department's new Temporary Money Market Guarantee Program.

The voluntary program, which is designed to provide stability to the markets, provides insurance protection to shareholders of record in participating money market funds as of September 19, 2008. The guarantee would be triggered if a participating fund's share price were to fall below \$0.995 from its customary \$1.00 share price.

The three participating Wilmington Funds are the Wilmington Prime Money Market Fund, the Wilmington U.S. Government Money Market Fund, and the Wilmington Tax-Exempt Money Market Fund. Combined, these funds have approximately \$6.5 billion in assets under management. All three funds seek to provide income while preserving capital and liquidity. They are managed to maintain a stable \$1.00 share price, and none of the funds has ever slipped from that level. The Prime and U.S. Government Money Market Funds are rated Aaa and AAAM, respectively, by Moody's Investors Service and Standard & Poor's.*

"We remain confident in the stability of our money market funds but would like to provide additional reassurance for shareholders who may have concerns in light of the extraordinary events of the last few

weeks,” said John J. Kelley, president of the Wilmington Funds. “As a result, we have chosen to participate in the Treasury Department’s voluntary guarantee program.”

The Treasury Department’s money market fund guarantee program will last until December 18, 2008, at which point it could be extended by the Secretary of the Treasury until September 18, 2009.

Wilmington Trust Corporation (NYSE: WL) is a financial services holding company that provides Regional Banking services throughout the mid-Atlantic region, Wealth Advisory Services for high-net-worth clients in 36 countries, and Corporate Client Services for institutional clients in 86 countries. Its wholly owned bank subsidiary, Wilmington Trust Company, which was founded in 1903, is one of the largest personal trust providers in the United States and the leading retail and commercial bank in Delaware. Wilmington Trust Corporation and its affiliates have offices in Arizona, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Vermont, the Cayman Islands, the Channel Islands, London, Dublin, Frankfurt, Luxembourg, and Amsterdam.

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The following limitations apply to funds participating in the U.S. Treasury Department’s Temporary Money Market Guarantee Program: (1) the guarantee will not apply to any increase in the number of shares of the fund above the balance held in an account as of the close of business on September 19, 2008; (2) if the share balance fluctuates, the guarantee will apply to the lesser of the number of fund shares held in the account as of the close of business on September 19, 2008 or the number of shares of the fund held on the date the insurance is accessed; (3) if an account is closed, any future investments in the fund through a new account will not be guaranteed. The program will expire at the end of the day on December 18, 2008, unless extended by the Treasury.

You should carefully consider the investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses of the Wilmington Funds before investing. A prospectus with this and other information may be obtained by visiting wilmingtonfunds.com or by calling 1-800-336-9970. The prospectus should be read carefully before investing.

An investment in a money market fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. Although a money market fund seeks to preserve the value of your investment at \$1.00 per share, it is possible to lose money by investing in such a fund.

****The money market mutual fund ratings reflect Moody’s and Standard & Poor’s opinions of the credit quality of the Funds’ investments, the liquidity of the portfolio structure, conservative investment guidelines and practices of the Funds’ advisor, and the Funds’ operating controls and compliance procedures. Money market fund ratings range from AAAm/Aaa (extremely strong capacity to maintain principal stability) through Dm/C (failed to maintain principal stability). Money market funds rated BBBm/Baa are judged to have adequate capacity, but are more subject to market, credit, or liquidity risks. A rating of BBm/Ba indicates an uncertain capacity to maintain principal stability. Moody’s Investors Service and Standard & Poor’s fund ratings are not recommendations to buy or sell shares.***

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