# Municipal Secondary Market Disclosure Information Cover Sheet

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Revenue Bonds (Reassessment District No. 1999-1) Series 1999-A Senior Lien Bonds and Series 1999-B Subordinate Lien Bonds: CUSIP 79729P

Lease Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2007 (Ballpark Refunding)

### CONVENTION CENTER EXPANSION FINANCING AUTHORITY (STATE: CALIFORNIA)

Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 1998A (City of San Diego, California, as Lessee): CUSIP 79727L

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## Dated June 27, 2008

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 19, 2008 Moody's Investor Service (Moody's) lowered its financial strength ratings on Ambac Assurance Corporation (Ambac) to "Aa3" from "Aaa" with a Negative Outlook. In addition, Moody's lowered its financial strength ratings on MBIA Insurance Corporation (MBIA) to "A2" from "Aaa" with a Negative Outlook. As a result of the downgrade by Moody's of Ambac and MBIA, there has been a corresponding downgrade of the bonds identified on the cover hereof as it relates to the insured ratings. For each of the bond issuances identified on the cover, we have attached a table setting forth the insured ratings from the three rating agencies prior to the downgrades, the current insured ratings and the current underlying ratings.

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CITY OF SAN DI By: Mary Lewis Chief Financial Officer

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Issuance	Insurer	Standard & Poor's		Moody's			Fitch			
		Initial Insured Rating	Current Insured Rating	Current Underlying Rating	Initial Insured Rating	Current Insured Rating	Current Underlying Rating	Initial Insured Rating	Current Insured Rating	Current Underlying Rating
City of San Diego 2003 Certificates of Participation (1993 Balboa Park/Mission Bay Park Refunding)	Ambac	AAA	AA	A-	Aaa	Aa3	Baa2	AAA	AA	BBB-
Public Facilities Financing Authority of the City of San Diego Lease Revenue Bonds Series 2002B										
(Fire and Life Safety Facilities Project)	MBIA	AAA	AA	A-	Aaa	A2	Baa2	AAA	AA	BBB-
Public Facilities Financing Authority of the City of San Diego Subordinated Water Revenue Bonds Series 2002 (Payable Solely from Subordinated Installment Payments Secured by Net System Revenues of the Water Utility Fund)	MBIA	AAA	AA	A+	Aaa	A2	A3	AAA	AA	BBB
Public Facilities Financing Authority of the City of San Diego Taxable Lease Revenue Bonds Series 1996A (San Diego Jack Murphy Stadium)	MBIA	ААА	АА	A-	Aaa	A2	Baa3	ААА	АА	NR
Public Facilities Financing Authority of the City of San Diego Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 1993	Ambac	ААА	AA	A+	Aaa	Aa3	A3	ААА	АА	BBB+
Public Facilities Financing Authority of the City of San Diego Refunding Revenue Bonds (Reassessment District No. 1999-1) Series 1999-A Senior Lien Bonds and Series 1999-B Subordinate Lien Bonds	Ambac	AAA	AA	N/R	Aaa	Aa3	N/R	AAA	AA	N/R
Public Facilities Financing Authority of the City of San Diego Lease Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2007 (Ballpark Refunding)*	Ambac	N/R	N/R	N/R	Aaa	Aa3	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
Convention Center Expansion Financing Authority Lease Revenue Bonds Series 1998A (City of San Diego, California, as Lessee)	Ambac	AAA	AA	A-	Aaa	Aa3	Baa2	AAA	AA	BBB-
City of San Diego/MTDB Authority 2003 Lease Revenue Refunding Bonds (San Diego Old Town Light Rail Transit Extension Refunding)	Ambac	AAA	AA	A-	Aaa	Aa3	Baa2	AAA	AA	BBB-
City of San Diego Community Facilities District No. 1 (Miramar Ranch North) Special Tax Refunding Bonds Series 1998	MBIA	AAA	AA	N/R	Aaa	A2	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R

\*The Ballpark Refunding only has an insured rating from Moody's and no underlying ratings from any of the three rating agencies

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# MOODY'S

#### Rating Action: Moody's downgrades Ambac to Aa3; outlook is negative

#### Global Credit Research - 19 Jun 2008

New York, June 19, 2008 -- Moody's Investors Service has downgraded to Aa3, from Aaa, the insurance financial strength ratings of Ambac Assurance Corporation ("Ambac") and Ambac Assurance UK Limited. In the same rating action, Moody's also downgraded the debt ratings of Ambac Financial Group, Inc. (NYSE: ABK -- senior unsecured debt to A3 from Aa3) and related financing trusts. Today's rating action concludes a review for possible downgrade that was initiated on June 4, 2008, and reflects Moody's views on Ambac's overall credit profile in the current environment, including the company's significantly constrained new business prospects, its impaired financial flexibility and increased expected and stress loss projections among its mortgage-related risk exposures relative to previous estimates. The outlook for the ratings is negative, reflecting uncertainties regarding the company's strategic plans going forward, as well as the possibility of further adverse developments in its insured portfolio. Moody's noted, however, that these risks are mitigated somewhat by the company's substantive capital cushion at the current rating level and that this was an important consideration in arriving at the Aa3 insurance financial strength rating.

As a result of today's rating action, the Moody's-rated securities that are guaranteed or "wrapped" by Ambac are also downgraded to Aa3, except those with higher public underlying ratings. A list of these securities will be made available under "Ratings Lists" at www.moodys.com/guarantors.

Moody's said that the uncertainty about the ultimate performance of Ambac's mortgage-related exposures continues to adversely affect market perceptions of the firm, greatly impairing its financial flexibility and ability to write new business. Ambac has recorded more than \$3.3 billion of cumulative loss reserves and credit impairments on its mortgage-related portfolio, mostly related to recent vintage second-lien and Alt-A RMBS and ABS CDOs. Moody's noted that Ambac has written little new business in the last few months. Furthermore, the company's financial flexibility has deteriorated substantially since its \$1.5 billion capital raise in March 2008, as evidenced by the profound decline in Ambac's market capitalization and high current spreads on its debt securities, making it extremely difficult to economically address potential capital shortfalls should markets continue to worsen.

Moody's has re-estimated expected and stress loss projections on Ambac's insured portfolio, focusing on the company's mortgage-related exposures, as well as other sectors of the portfolio potentially vulnerable to deterioration in the current environment. Based on Moody's revised assessment of the risks in Ambac's portfolio, estimated stress-case losses would approximate \$12.1 billion at the Aaa threshold and \$9.6 billion at the Aa3 threshold. This compares to Moody's estimate of Ambac's total claims paying resources of approximately \$15.4 billion. Moody's noted that its stress case estimates for Ambac's residential mortgage-related exposures increased by roughly \$200 million to \$5.6 billion, which was largely offset by insured portfolio amortization since year-end 2007. Relative to Moody's 1.3x "target" level for capital adequacy, Ambac is currently \$225 million below the Aaa target level and is approximately \$3 billion above the Aa3 target level.

Moody's said that, beyond Ambac's affected mortgage-related exposures, portfolio risks appear to be well-contained as reflected by its core low-risk municipal book and high average underlying ratings. Most non-mortgage-related structured segments are performing well, although certain exposures, such as private student loans, may be more sensitive to economic or sector deterioration. While portfolio losses could increase in a sharp economic downturn, strong premium accretion, investment earnings and portfolio amortization should help to offset any resulting impact on capital adequacy. Moody's noted, however, that downward rating pressure could occur if Ambac's capital cushion at the current rating level were to be materially eroded through the extraction of capital from Ambac Assurance Corporation, or due to further increases in projected stress loss estimates on the insured portfolio.

Moody's will continue to evaluate Ambac's ratings in the context of the future performance of the company's risk exposures relative to expectations and resulting capital adequacy levels, as well as changes to the company's strategic and capital management plans as a Aa-rated company. Ambac has announced it intends to pursue opportunities in the public finance market through its Connie Lee Insurance Company subsidiary.

#### LIST OF RATING ACTIONS

The following ratings have been downgraded:

Ambac Assurance Corporation -- insurance financial strength to Aa3 from Aaa;

Ambac Assurance UK Limited -- insurance financial strength to Aa3 from Aaa;

Ambac Financial Group, Inc. -- senior unsecured debt to A3 from Aa3, junior subordinated debt to Baa1 from A1 and provisional rating on preferred stock to (P)Baa2 from (P)A2;

Anchorage Finance Sub-Trusts I-IV -- contingent capital securities to A3 from Aa3; and

Dutch Harbor Finance Sub-Trusts I-IV -- contingent capital securities to A3 from Aa3.

Ambac Financial Group, Inc. (NYSE: ABK), headquartered in New York City, is a holding company whose affiliates provide financial guarantees and financial services to clients in both the public and private sectors around the world. For the three months ended March 31, 2008, the company reported a GAAP net loss of approximately \$1.7 billion. As of March 31, 2008, ABK had shareholders' equity of approximately \$1.3 billion.

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# MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE

#### Rating Action: Moody's downgrades MBIA's rating to A2; outlook is negative

#### Global Credit Research - 19 Jun 2008

New York, June 19, 2008 -- Moody's Investors Service has downgraded to A2, from Aaa, the insurance financial strength ratings of MBIA Insurance Corporation (MBIA) and its affiliated insurance operating companies. In the same rating action, Moody's also downgraded the surplus note rating of MBIA Insurance Corporation to Baa1, from Aa2, and the senior debt rating of the holding company, MBIA, Inc. (NYSE: MBI) to Baa2, from Aa3. Today's rating action concludes a review for possible downgrade that was initiated on June 4, 2008, and reflects MBIA's limited financial flexibility and impaired franchise, as well as the substantial risk within its portfolio of insured exposures and a movement toward more aggressive capital management within the group. The rating agency said that while the group remains strongly capitalized, estimated to be consistent with a Aa level rating, and benefits from substantial embedded earnings in its existing insurance portfolio, these other business factors led to the lower rating outcome. Furthermore, MBIA's insured portfolio remains vulnerable to further economic deterioration, particularly given the leverage contained in its sizable portfolio of resecuritization transactions, including some commercial real estate CDOs. The outlook for the ratings is negative, reflecting the material uncertainty about the firm's strategy and the non-negligible likelihood of further adverse developments in its insurance portfolios or operations.

As a result of today's rating action, the Moody's-rated securities that are guaranteed or "wrapped" by MBIA are also downgraded to A2, except those with higher public underlying ratings. A list of these securities will be made available under "Ratings Lists" at www.moodys.com/guarantors.

Moody's said that substantial uncertainty about the ultimate performance of MBIA's mortgage related exposures continues to adversely affect market perceptions of the firm, greatly impairing its financial flexibility and ability to write new insurance. MBIA has recorded approximately \$2.1 billion in cumulative loss reserves and impairments associated with its mortgage related portfolio, mostly from second lien mortgage backed securities and asset-backed CDOs (ABS CDOs). Moody's noted that, over the last few months, MBIA has written little new business, and its financial flexibility has deteriorated substantially as evidenced by the significant decline in the company's stock price and high current spreads on its debt securities, making it extremely difficult to economically address potential capital shortfalls should markets continue to worsen.

Moody's has re-estimated expected and stress loss projections on MBIA's insured portfolio, focusing on the company's mortgage-related exposures as well as other sectors of the portfolio potentially vulnerable to deterioration in the current environment. Based on Moody's revised assessment of the risks in MBIA's portfolio, estimated stress-case losses would approximate \$13.6 billion at the Aaa threshold and \$9.4 billion at the A2 threshold. This compares to Moody's estimate of MBIA's claims paying resources of approximately \$15.1 billion. Moody's noted that its stress case estimates for MBIA's residential mortgage-related exposures increased by roughly \$500 million to \$5.9 billion, which was largely offset by insured portfolio and is \$2.8 billion above the A2 target level.

The rating agency noted that MBIA's recent decision to retain at the holding company the \$1.1 billion in proceeds from its most recent equity offering is indicative of a more aggressive capital management strategy, and is a negative credit consideration for the insurance company's rating. Such decision, however, puts the holding company in a strong liquidity position, said Moody's, providing additional comfort about the firm's ability to manage the effect of acceleration and collateralization in its GIC business triggered by the downgrade. MBIA has indicated that the firm does not intend to issue additional clutive capital in the current environment and that it will review its strategic options for redeploying the holding company funds, including possible stock buybacks.

Moody's said that, beyond MBIA's affected mortgage related exposures, portfolio risks appear to be well contained as reflected by its core lowrisk municipal book and high average underlying ratings. Most structured finance sectors outside of residential mortgage related products are performing well, although certain exposures, such as some commercial real estate CDOs, because of their leveraged structure and sector concentration, may be more sensitive to severe economic or sector deterioration. While portfolio losses could increase in a sharp economic downturn, strong premium accretion, investment earnings and portfolio amortization should help to offset any resulting impact on capital adequacy. Moody's noted, however, that downward rating pressure could occur if MBIA's capital position eroded through the extraction of capital or due to further increases in projected stress loss estimates.

Moody's will continue to evaluate MBIA's ratings in the context of the future performance of the company's mortgage-related exposures relative to expectations and resulting capital adequacy levels, as well as changes to the company's strategic and capital management plans as a single-A rated company. In February, MBIA announced a long-term strategic objective of separating its municipal insurance, structured insurance and asset management businesses into distinct legal entities. Moody's said that management's recent decision to retain at the holding company the \$1.1 billion in proceeds from its latest equity raise suggests that the firm is contemplating a more accelerated timeframe for such transformation.

#### LIST OF RATING ACTIONS

The following ratings have been downgraded:

- MBIA Insurance Corporation -- insurance financial strength to A2 from Aaa, and surplus notes to Baa1 from Aa2;
- MBIA Insurance Corporation of Illinois -- insurance financial strength to A2 from Aaa;
- Capital Markets Assurance Corporation -- insurance financial strength to A2 from Aaa;
- MBIA UK Insurance Limited -- insurance financial strength to A2 from Aaa;
- MBIAAssurance S.A. -- insurance financial strength to A2 from Aaa;
- MBIA Mexico S.A. de C.V.'s -- insurance financial strength to A2 from Aaa (the firm's Aaa.mx -- national scale rating -- is affirmed);

• MBIA Inc. -- senior unsecured debt to Baa2 from Aa3, provisional senior debt to (P) Baa2 from (P) Aa3, provisional subordinated debt to (P) Baa3 from (P) A1, and provisional preferred stock to (P) Ba1 from (P) A2;

• North Castle Custodial Trusts I-VIII -- contingent capital securities to Baa2 from Aa3;

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