

**PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED MARCH 2, 2010**

**NEW ISSUE—BOOK-ENTRY ONLY**

**RATINGS: Moody's: Baa1  
S&P: A-  
Fitch: BBB  
(See "Ratings" herein)**

*In the opinion of Bond Counsel to the State of California (the "State"), interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and is exempt from State personal income taxes, all as further discussed in "TAX MATTERS" herein.*

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
\$2,000,000,000\*  
VARIOUS PURPOSE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS**

**Dated: Date of Delivery**

**Due: March 1, as shown on inside cover**

Interest on the Bonds is payable on September 1 and March 1 of each year, commencing September 1, 2010, at the respective rates per annum set forth on the inside cover. The Bonds may be purchased in principal amounts of \$5,000 or multiples thereof in book-entry form only. See "THE BONDS—General" and APPENDIX B—"THE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM."

Certain of the Bonds are subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities, as described herein. See "THE BONDS—Redemption."

The Bonds are general obligations of the State to which the full faith and credit of the State are pledged. The principal of and interest on all State general obligation bonds, including the Bonds, are payable from any moneys in the General Fund of the State, subject only to the prior application of such moneys to the support of the public school system and public institutions of higher education. See "AUTHORIZATION OF AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS."

This cover page contains certain information for general reference only. It is not a summary of the security or terms of this issue. Investors are advised to read the entire Official Statement to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision.

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**MATURITIES, PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS,  
INTEREST RATES, PRICES OR YIELDS AND CUSIPS  
(See Inside Front Cover)**

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*The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued and received by the Underwriters, subject to the approval of validity by the Honorable Edmund G. Brown Jr., Attorney General of the State of California and by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Bond Counsel to the State. Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP and Robinson & Pearman LLP are serving as Co-Disclosure Counsel to the State with respect to the Bonds. Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP and Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation, are serving as Co-Disclosure Counsel to the State regarding Appendix A. Certain matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by their counsel, Sidley Austin LLP. Public Resources Advisory Group is serving as the Financial Advisor to the State with respect to the Bonds. The Bonds are expected to be available for delivery through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company on or about March 18, 2010.*

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**HONORABLE BILL LOCKYER  
Treasurer of the State of California**

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## **J.P. Morgan**

**Barclays Capital**  
**Cabrera Capital Markets, LLC**  
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**Goldman, Sachs & Co**  
**Jackson Securities**  
**M.R. Beal & Company**  
**Ramirez & Co., Inc.**  
**Robert W. Baird & Co.**  
**Wells Fargo Securities**

**Prager, Sealy & Co., LLC**  
**BMO Capital Markets GKST Inc.**  
**Citi**  
**Edward D. Jones & Co., LP**  
**Great Pacific Securities**  
**Jefferies & Company**  
**Northern Trust Company**  
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**City National Securities, Inc**  
**Fidelity Capital Markets**  
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**RBC Capital Markets**  
**Stone & Youngberg**  
**William Blair & Company**

Official Statement Dated: March \_\_, 2010.

**MATURITIES, PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS, INTEREST RATES, PRICES OR YIELDS AND CUSIPS**

**\$2,000,000,000\***  
**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
**VARIOUS PURPOSE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Serial Bonds**

**Base CUSIP<sup>†</sup>:** \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Maturity Date</u> <u>(March 1)</u>	<u>Principal</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest</u> <u>Rate</u>	<u>Price or</u> <u>Yield</u>	<u>CUSIP<sup>†</sup></u> <u>Suffix</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u> <u>(March 1)</u>	<u>Principal</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest</u> <u>Rate</u>	<u>Price or</u> <u>Yield</u>	<u>CUSIP<sup>†</sup></u> <u>Suffix</u>
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\$ \_\_\_\_\_ % **Term Bonds maturing March 1, 20\_\_ Priced to Yield** \_\_\_\_ %; **CUSIP<sup>†</sup>:** \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ % **Term Bonds maturing March 1, 20\_\_ Priced to Yield** \_\_\_\_ %; **CUSIP<sup>†</sup>:** \_\_\_\_\_

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No dealer, broker, salesperson or other person has been authorized by the State or the Underwriters to give any information or to make any representations with respect to the State or its Bonds other than those contained in this Official Statement and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by any of the foregoing. The information set forth herein has been obtained from sources that are believed to be reliable. Estimates and opinions are included and should not be interpreted as statements of fact. Summaries of documents do not purport to be complete statements of their provisions and such summaries are qualified by references to the entire contents of the summarized documents. The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made by use of this Official Statement shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the State since the date hereof. This Official Statement, including any supplement or amendment hereto, is intended to be deposited with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") through the Electronic Municipal Market Access website of the MSRB, currently located at <http://emma.msrb.org>.

This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract with the purchasers of the Bonds.

The Underwriters have provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Underwriters have reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as a part of, their responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Underwriters do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

**IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING, THE UNDERWRITERS MAY OVERALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WHICH STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICES OF THE BONDS AT LEVELS ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME. THE UNDERWRITERS MAY OFFER AND SELL THE BONDS TO CERTAIN DEALERS, INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS AND OTHERS AT PRICES LOWER THAN THE PUBLIC OFFERING PRICES STATED ON THE INSIDE FRONT COVER HEREOF, AND SAID PUBLIC OFFERING PRICES MAY BE CHANGED FROM TIME TO TIME BY THE UNDERWRITERS.**

**THE BONDS WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, IN RELIANCE UPON AN EXEMPTION CONTAINED IN SUCH ACT. THE BONDS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED OR QUALIFIED UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE.**

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**OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**\$ \_\_\_\_\_\***  
**VARIOUS PURPOSE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS**

**INTRODUCTION**

*This Introduction contains only a brief summary of the terms of the captioned Bonds and a brief description of this Official Statement; a full review should be made of the entire Official Statement, including the Appendices and the financial statements incorporated by reference. Summaries of provisions of the Constitution and laws of the State of California (the “State”) or any other documents referred to in this Official Statement do not purport to be complete and such summaries are qualified in their entirety by references to the complete provisions.*

**Description of the Bonds**

This Official Statement describes \$ \_\_\_\_\_\* aggregate principal amount of State various purpose general obligation bonds comprised of \_\_\_ series of bonds (the “Bonds”). The Bonds are described further below under “THE BONDS—Identification, Authorization and Purposes of the Bonds.”

The State intends to sell taxable general obligation bonds in mid-March 2010 pursuant to a separate Official Statement.

The Bonds will be registered in the name of a nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York (“DTC”), which will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Beneficial interests in the Bonds may be purchased in book-entry form only, in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. See “THE BONDS—General” and APPENDIX B—“THE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM.”

The issuance of each series of Bonds is authorized by the related general obligation bond act identified under “THE BONDS—Identification, Authorization and Purposes of the Bonds” (collectively, the “Bond Acts”) approved by the voters of the State and by resolutions of the applicable finance committees designated under such Bond Acts. Each series of Bonds is equally secured. The Bonds are being issued to current refund certain of the outstanding State general obligation commercial paper notes, to fund various projects under certain of the Bond Acts and to pay certain costs of issuance of the Bonds. See “THE BONDS— Identification, Authorization and Purposes of the Bonds.”

**Security and Source of Payment for the Bonds**

The Bonds are general obligations of the State to which the full faith and credit of the State are pledged. See “AUTHORIZATION OF AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS—Security.” The principal of and interest on all State general obligation bonds, including the Bonds, are payable from moneys in the General Fund of the State Treasury (the “General Fund”), subject only to the prior application of moneys in the General Fund to the support of the public school system and public institutions of higher education. See “AUTHORIZATION OF AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS—Security.” See also APPENDIX A—“THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA—STATE FINANCES—The General Fund” and

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“STATE INDEBTEDNESS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS—Capital Facilities Financing—General Obligation Bonds.”

### **Redemption**

Some of the Bonds will be subject to optional redemption prior to their respective stated maturity dates, in whole or in part, and certain maturities of the Bonds will be subject to mandatory redemption prior to their respective stated maturities, in part, from sinking fund payments made by the State. See “THE BONDS—Redemption.”

### **Information Related to this Official Statement**

The information set forth herein has been obtained from official sources that are believed to be reliable, but is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness. The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice and neither delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder or any future use of this Official Statement shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the State since the date hereof.

All financial and other information presented or incorporated by reference in this Official Statement has been provided by the State from its records, except for information expressly attributed to other sources. The presentation of certain information, including tables of receipts from taxes and other revenues, is intended to show recent historic information and is not intended to indicate future or continuing trends in the financial position or other affairs of the State. No representation is made that past experience, as it might be shown by such financial and other information, will necessarily continue or be repeated in the future. However, certain statements included or incorporated by reference in this Official Statement do constitute “forward-looking statements.” Such statements are generally identifiable by the terminology used such as “plan,” “expect,” “estimate,” “budget” or other similar words. The achievement of certain results or other expectations contained in such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results, performance or achievements described to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Any statements made in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion, whether expressly stated or not, are set forth as such and not as representations of fact.

A wide variety of other information concerning the State, including financial information, is available from State agencies, State agency publications and State agency websites. Such information includes websites operated by the State Department of Finance, the State Controller’s Office and the State Treasurer’s Office. Any such information that is inconsistent with the information set forth in this Official Statement should be disregarded. No such information is a part of or incorporated into this Official Statement, except as expressly noted in APPENDIX A—“THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA—FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.”

The information in APPENDIX B—“THE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM” regarding DTC and its book-entry system has been furnished by DTC and no representation is made by the State, the Underwriters or the Financial Advisor as to the accuracy or completeness of such information.

This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell the Bonds or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of, the Bonds by any person in any state or other jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer, solicitation or sale in such state or jurisdiction.

## **Continuing Disclosure**

The State Treasurer will agree on behalf of the State to provide annually certain financial information and operating data relating to the State by not later than April 1 of each year in which any Bonds are outstanding (the “Annual Report”), commencing with the report to be filed on or before April 1, 2011, containing 2009-2010 Fiscal Year financial information, and to provide notice of the occurrence of certain enumerated events if material. The specific nature of the information to be contained in the Annual Report and the notices of material events and certain other terms of the continuing disclosure obligation are set forth in APPENDIX C—“FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE.”

Within the past five years, the State has not failed to comply, in all material respects, with its “previous undertakings,” as that term is used in Rule 15c2-12 (the “Rule”) promulgated under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

## **CURRENT STATE FINANCIAL PRESSURES**

The State experienced a severe economic recession which began in the first quarter of 2008 and ended at some point in the second half of 2009, similar to the rest of the nation. Personal income fell in the fourth quarter of 2008 and in the first two quarters of 2009. The large decline in the first quarter of 2009, -1.8 percent (not annualized), was the biggest decline since 1993, but the decline in the second quarter of 2009 was considerably smaller. Personal income increased slightly in the third quarter of 2009.

Taxable sales fell sharply in the first half of 2009 before increasing slightly in the third quarter of 2009. The total assessed valuation of property in the State was lower in fiscal year 2009-10 than it was in the prior fiscal year. This is the first year-to-year decline in the statewide total since the State began keeping records in 1933. The State’s unemployment rate increased from 6.1 percent at the start of 2008 to 12.4 percent in December 2009.

In response to the most severe economic downturn in the United States since the Great Depression, in the Amended 2009 Budget Act, the State implemented substantial spending reductions, program eliminations, revenue increases, and other solutions in order to close a \$60 billion budget gap over the combined 2008-09 and 2009-10 fiscal years. The State adopted reforms in nearly every area of government to better contain costs in the future. The 2010-11 Governor’s Budget includes further reductions to many programs. If these proposals are adopted, it would bring overall General Fund spending to a level well below what it was a decade ago in fiscal year 1998-99 adjusted for population and inflation growth. The 2010-11 Governor’s Budget provides for additional spending cuts if federal assistance of \$6.9 billion is not received. See ““APPENDIX A—THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA—2010-11 PROPOSED GOVERNOR’S BUDGET.”

The State is slowly emerging from the recession, but economic growth is very modest and the level of unemployment is still very high. Consequently, baseline General Fund revenues in fiscal year 2009-10 (consisting of total revenues adjusted to remove temporary tax law changes and one-time receipts) are projected to fall by more than 20 percent from their peak in fiscal year 2007-08. Major components of the revenue decline are capital gains taxes (\$8 billion below peak levels), income tax on wages (about \$6 billion), tax on other types of income (\$7 billion below peak levels), sales taxes (\$11 billion below peak levels), corporate taxes (\$2 billion below peak levels), and all other taxes (about \$1 billion below peak levels). Consumer spending driven by easy credit and growth in home values is also not likely to return to prior levels in the foreseeable future. Revenues will also be affected by the expiration of temporary tax increases enacted in fiscal year 2009-10.

Without corrective action, the State faces an estimated combined budget gap of \$19.9 billion through the end of fiscal year 2010-11, comprised of a fiscal year 2009-10 shortfall of \$6.6 billion, a



fiscal year 2010-11 shortfall of \$12.3 billion, and a modest reserve of \$1 billion. Various factors have contributed to the increase in the projected fiscal year 2010-11 deficit from the \$6.9 billion deficit projected at the time of the Amended 2009 Budget Act. Specifically, revenue estimates are \$3.4 billion lower, federal and state court decisions have reduced previously adopted budget solutions by \$4.9 billion, failure to achieve the full amount of previous solutions has contributed \$2.3 billion, and population and caseload growth has added \$1.4 billion in costs.

The 2010-11 Governor's Budget proposes a combination of spending reductions, alternative funding, fund shifts and additional federal funds to close the estimated \$19.9 billion budget shortfall. The Governor declared a fiscal emergency and called the Legislature into special session in order to close the budget gap as soon as possible. The 2010-11 Governor's Budget includes solutions for action in the special session that will close \$8.9 billion of the budget gap. Delays in the adoption of these proposals until the enactment of the 2010-11 Governor's Budget would result in the loss of a significant portion of the proposed budgetary solutions and thereby necessitate even deeper cuts in fiscal year 2010-11. As of March 2, 2010, the Legislature had adopted and sent to the Governor legislation projected to reduce the budget gap by about \$2.1 billion, and additional budget legislation was still under consideration.

The sharp drop in revenues over the last two fiscal years also resulted in a significant depletion of cash resources to pay the State's obligations. For a period of one month, in February 2009, the State deferred making certain payments from the General Fund in order to conserve cash resources for high priority obligations, such as education and debt service. By July 2009, as new budget gaps were identified and with the failure to adopt corrective actions, the State's cash resources had dwindled so far that, commencing July 2, 2009, the State Controller began to issue registered warrants (or "IOUs") for certain lower priority obligations in lieu of warrants (checks) which could be immediately cashed. The registered warrants, the issuance of which did not require the consent of the recipients thereof, bore interest. In late August 2009, the State called all \$2.6 billion of its outstanding registered warrants for redemption on September 4, 2009. The issuance of State registered warrants in 2009 was only the second time the State has issued State registered warrants since the 1930s. The 2010-11 Governor's Budget and the State Controller both projected continuing cash pressures in the period March-April 2010, and during the fiscal year 2010-11. Legislation enacted during the fiscal emergency special session in early March 2010 will provide the State with authority to defer certain payments so that it will avoid cash flow difficulties in March and April 2010, and will provide deferral authority during the 2010-11 fiscal year. However, absent further corrective action by the Legislature and timely adoption of a fiscal year 2010-11 budget, a significant cash flow shortfall is projected in fiscal year 2010-11, which may require the issuance of registered warrants. See "APPENDIX A—THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA—CASH MANAGEMENT."

The pension funds managed by the state's principal retirement systems, the California Public Employees' Retirement System and the California State Teachers' Retirement System, have sustained significant investment losses during the economic downturn and currently have substantial unfunded liabilities which will require increased contributions from the General Fund in future years. The state also has an unfunded liability relating to retirees' post-employment healthcare benefits which is estimated to be \$51.8 billion as of June 30, 2009. See "APPENDIX A—THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA—STATE FINANCES – PENSION TRUSTS."

These and other matters relating to the State's finances are set forth in greater detail in Appendix A which should be read in its entirety by purchasers of the Bonds.

## **AUTHORIZATION OF AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS**

### **Authorization**

The issuance of each series of Bonds is authorized by the related general obligation bond act identified under “THE BONDS—Identification, Authorization and Purposes of the Bonds” (collectively, the “Bond Acts”) approved by the voters of the State and by resolutions of the applicable finance committees designated under such Bond Acts. Each Bond Act and the State General Obligation Bond Law (the “Law”) in Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 16720) of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Government Code as incorporated by reference into each Bond Act, provides for the authorization, sale, issuance, use of proceeds, repayment and refunding of State general obligation bonds. Each series of the Bonds is authorized under the related Bond Act by one or more resolutions adopted by a finance committee designated in such Bond Act (collectively, the “Resolutions”).

### **Security**

The Bonds are general obligations of the State, payable in accordance with the Bond Acts out of the General Fund. The Bond Acts provide that the State will collect annually in the same manner and at the same time as it collects other State revenue an amount sufficient to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds. The Bond Acts also contain a continuing appropriation from the General Fund of the sum annually necessary to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as they become due and payable. Under the State Constitution, the appropriation to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as set forth in the Bond Acts cannot be repealed until the principal of and interest on the Bonds is paid and discharged. No further appropriation by the Legislature is required to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds.

The Bond Acts each provide that the Bonds issued thereunder “shall be and constitute a valid and binding obligation of the State of California, and the full faith and credit of the State is hereby pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of, and interest on, the bonds as the principal and interest become due and payable.” The pledge of the full faith and credit of the State alone does not create a lien on any particular moneys in the General Fund or any other assets of the State, but is an undertaking by the State to be irrevocably obligated in good faith to use its taxing powers as may be required for the full and prompt payment of the principal of and interest on all general obligation bonds as it becomes due. The only provision of the State Constitution that creates a higher priority for any State fiscal obligation is a provision directing that from all State revenues there will first be set apart the moneys to be applied by the State for support of the public school system and public institutions of higher education. In the past when cash resources in the General Fund have been constrained, State officials have worked within their powers granted by State law to manage cash resources to ensure that payments to schools and universities and for general obligation debt service would be made. On any debt service payment date, all general obligation bonds have an equal claim on moneys in the General Fund on that date for payment of debt service. See APPENDIX A—“THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA—STATE INDEBTEDNESS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS—Capital Facilities Financing—General Obligation Bonds,” “—CASH MANAGEMENT” and “—STATE FINANCES—State Warrants.”

### **Remedies**

Under the Resolutions, it is an event of default of the State to fail to pay or to fail to cause to be paid, when due, or to declare a moratorium on the payment of, or to repudiate any Bond.

Each Resolution states that in the case that one or more events of default occurs, then and in every such case the registered Bondholder is entitled to proceed to protect and enforce such registered

Bondholder's rights by such appropriate judicial proceeding as such registered Bondholder deems most effectual to protect and enforce any such right, whether by mandamus or other suit or proceeding at law or in equity, for the specific performance of any covenant or agreement contained in the one or more Resolutions authorizing the affected Bonds, as more specifically set forth in each Resolution authorizing the Bonds pursuant to the respective Bond Acts. Beneficial owners of the Bonds (the "Beneficial Owners") cannot protect and enforce such rights except through the registered Bondholder. See "THE BONDS—General" and APPENDIX B—"THE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM."

Since the State has never failed to make a debt service payment on any general obligation bond when due, the exact steps which would be taken, or the remedies available to Bondholders, have never been tested. There are no cross-default provisions among general obligation bonds, so any default with respect to any particular issue of bonds would not provide any remedy to holders of other bonds which are not affected. The State is not eligible to file for protection under the federal bankruptcy laws.

## **THE BONDS**

### **General**

The Bonds will be registered in the name of a nominee of DTC, which will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Beneficial interests in the Bonds may be purchased in book-entry form only in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. See APPENDIX B—"THE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM."

The Bonds will be dated their date of delivery, and will mature on March 1 of the years and in the amounts set forth on the inside cover page hereof. Interest on the Bonds is payable on September 1 and March 1 in each year (each, an "Interest Payment Date"), commencing on September 1, 2010, at the rates shown on the inside cover page of this Official Statement. Interest on the Bonds will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year comprising twelve 30-day months.

Principal and interest (including the redemption price) are payable directly to DTC by the State Treasurer. Upon receipt of payments of principal and interest, DTC is to in turn remit such principal and interest to the Direct Participants in DTC for disbursement to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds. The record date for the payment of interest on the Bonds is the close of business on the 15th day of the month immediately preceding an Interest Payment Date, whether or not the record date falls on a business day.

Neither the State Treasurer nor the Underwriters can give any assurances that DTC will distribute to Participants, or that Participants or others will distribute to the Beneficial Owners, payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds paid or any redemption or other notices or that they will do so on a timely basis or will serve and act in the manner described in this Official Statement. Neither the State Treasurer nor the Underwriters are responsible or liable for the failure of DTC or any Direct Participant or Indirect Participant to make any payments or give any notice to a Beneficial Owner with respect to the Bonds or any error or delay relating thereto.

The terms of each series of Bonds are substantially identical, except that the State may assign each maturity of the Bonds to one or more Bond Acts, rather than having all of the Bonds mature proportionally by Bond Act across the entire maturity schedule.

### **Identification, Authorization and Purposes of the Bonds**

The Bonds are issued as \_\_\_ separate series under \_\_\_ Bond Acts, each authorized by the voters pursuant to the Bond Acts as set forth below, to current refund certain outstanding State general

obligation commercial paper notes (the “Notes”), to fund various projects under certain of the Bond Acts and to pay certain costs of issuance of the Bonds. The Notes will be refunded within 90 days after the issuance of the Bonds so as to constitute a “current refunding” for federal tax purposes.

<b>Bond Act</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b>	<b>Series</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1988 School Facilities Bond Act	State School Building Finance Committee		
1990 School Facilities Bond Act	State School Building Finance Committee		
1992 School Facilities Bond Act	State School Building Finance Committee		
California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002	California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act Finance Committee		
California Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 1988	California Library Construction and Renovation Finance Committee		
California Reading and Literacy Improvement and Public Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2000	California Library Construction and Renovation Finance Committee		
California Safe Drinking Water Bond Law of 1976	California Safe Drinking Water Finance Committee		
California Safe Drinking Water Bond Law of 1988	California Safe Drinking Water Finance Committee		
California Stem Cell Research and Cures Bond Act of 2004	California Stem Cell Research and Cures Finance Committee		
California Water Resources Development Bond Act	California Water Resources Development Finance Committee		
Children's Hospital Bond Act of 2004	Children's Hospital Bond Act Finance Committee		
Children's Hospital Bond Act of 2008	Children's Hospital Bond Act Finance Committee		
Class Size Reduction Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 1998	State School Building Finance Committee		

<b>Bond Act</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b>	<b>Series</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Clean Air and Transportation Improvement Bond Act of 1990	Transportation Improvement Finance Committee		
Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006	Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Finance Committee		
Earthquake Safety and Public Buildings Rehabilitation Bond Act of 1990	Earthquake Safety and Public Buildings Rehabilitation Finance Committee		
Higher Education Facilities Bond Act of June 1992	Higher Education Facilities Finance Committee		
Higher Education Facilities Bond Act of June 1990	Higher Education Facilities Finance Committee		
Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006	Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Committee		
Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2002	Housing Finance Committee		
Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006	Housing Finance Committee		
Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2002	Higher Education Facilities Finance Committee		
Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2002	State School Building Finance Committee		
Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2004	Higher Education Facilities Finance Committee		
Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2004	State School Building Finance Committee		
Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2006	State School Building Finance Committee		
Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2006	Higher Education Facilities Finance Committee		

<b>Bond Act</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b>	<b>Series</b>	<b>Amount</b>
New Prison Construction Bond Act of 1988	1988 Prison Construction Committee		
New Prison Construction Bond Act of 1990	1990 Prison Construction Committee		
Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 1996	State School Building Finance Committee		
Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 1996	Higher Education Facilities Finance Committee		
Safe Drinking Water, Clean Water, Watershed Protection, and Flood Protection Act	Safe Drinking Water, Clean Water, Watershed Protection, and Flood Protection Finance Committee		
Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006	Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Finance Committee		
Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2000 (the Villaraigosa-Keeley Act)	Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection (Villaraigosa-Keeley Act) Finance Committee		
Safe, Clean, Reliable Water Supply Act	Safe, Clean, Reliable Water Supply Finance Committee		
Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century	High Speed Passenger Train Finance Committee		
School Facilities Bond Act of 1992	State School Building Finance Committee		
Veterans' Homes Bond Act of 2000	Veterans' Home Finance Committee		

Bond Act	Finance Committee	Series	Amount
Voting Modernization Bond Act of 2002 (Shelley-Hertzberg Act)	Voting Modernization Finance Committee		
Water Conservation and Water Quality Bond Law of 1986	Water Conservation and Water Quality Finance Committee		
Water Conservation Bond Law of 1988	Water Conservation Finance Committee		
Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002	Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 Finance Committee		

The proceeds of the Bonds, after payment of certain costs of issuance, will be used to finance or refinance capital facilities for public purposes, including neighborhood parks, clean water, clean air and coastal protection; safe drinking water; children’s hospitals; public education; highway safety, traffic reduction, air quality and port security; housing and emergency shelters; clean water, watershed protection and flood protection; water quality, water supply and river and coastal protection; literacy improvement and public library construction and renovation; medical research; veterans’ homes; disaster preparedness and flood prevention.

**Redemption\***

*Optional Redemption.* The Bonds are subject to optional redemption prior to their respective stated maturity dates, in whole or in part, in such order of maturity as may be designated by the State Treasurer and by lot within any maturity, on any date on or after March 1, 20\_\_ at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

*Sinking Fund Redemption.* The Bonds maturing on March 1, 20\_\_ (the “20\_\_ Term Bonds”) are subject to redemption prior to their stated maturity date, in part, by lot, from sinking fund payments made by the State, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the sinking fund payment date fixed for redemption, on March 1 of the years, and in the amounts, designated below:

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\* Preliminary, subject to change.

Sinking Fund Payment Date  
(March 1)

Principal Amount  
Redeemed

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<sup>†</sup>Maturity

The Bonds maturing on March 1, 20\_\_ (the “20\_\_ Term Bonds”) are subject to redemption prior to their stated maturity date, in part, by lot, from sinking fund payments made by the State, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the sinking fund payment date fixed for redemption, on March 1 of the years, and in the amounts, designated below:

Sinking Fund Payment Date  
(March 1)

Principal Amount  
Redeemed

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<sup>†</sup>Maturity

*Adjustment of Sinking Fund Payments Upon Partial Optional Redemption.* If one or more maturities of the Term Bonds are called for optional redemption in part (see “Redemption—*Optional Redemption*” above), the remaining sinking fund installments for the Term Bonds of such maturity or maturities shall be adjusted as determined by the State Treasurer.

*Notice of Redemption.* When Bonds are redeemed, the State Treasurer is to give notice of redemption by mail and/or mutually acceptable electronic means only to DTC (not to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds) not less than 30 or more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for redemption. DTC, in turn, is to send the notice of redemption to its participants for distribution to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds. See APPENDIX B—“THE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM.” The notice from the State Treasurer will state, among other things, that the Bonds or a designated portion thereof (in the case of partial redemption of a Bond) are to be redeemed, the dated date of the Bonds, the date fixed for redemption, the maturities of the Bonds to be redeemed and the redemption price. The notice will also state that after the date fixed for redemption no further interest will accrue on the principal of any Bonds called for redemption. The notice of redemption may also state that such redemption may be cancelled in whole or in part by the State Treasurer upon written notice to DTC no later than five business days prior to the date fixed for redemption. Notice of redemption will also be provided by mail or electronic means to certain financial information services and securities depositories, and to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board’s Electronic Municipal Market Access (“EMMA”) portal.

### **Annual Debt Service Requirements**

The following table sets forth the amounts required to be made available for the payment of principal (whether at maturity or by sinking fund payments), interest and the total payments due on the Bonds.



Fiscal Year Ended <u>June 30</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	Fiscal Year Total Debt <u>Service</u>
2011			
2012			
2013			
2014			
2015			
2016			
2017			
2018			
2019			
2020			
2021			
2022			
2023			
2024			
2025			
2026			
2027			
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2029			
2030			
2031			
2032			
2033			
2034			
2035			
2036			
2037			
2038			
2039			
2040			
Total	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

For additional information regarding debt service payment obligations of the State, see APPENDIX A—“THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA—STATE DEBT TABLES.”

**Supplemental Resolutions**

The State may modify or amend the Resolutions with respect to any outstanding Bonds and the rights and obligations of the Bondholders of such outstanding Bonds and the State at any time by a Supplemental Resolution, without notice to or the consent of any Bondholder, but only to make such provisions for the purpose of (i) curing any ambiguity or curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained in the Resolutions, or (ii) complying with requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”) in order to satisfy the covenants of the Resolutions relating to tax exemption of interest on the Bonds; in each case as the applicable finance committee may

deem necessary or desirable and not inconsistent with the Resolutions, and which shall not adversely affect the interests of the Bondholder of the affected Bonds.

### **Defeasance**

Pursuant to the Bond Acts and the provisions of California Government Code Section 16780 *et seq.* (the “Refunding Law”), refunding bonds may be issued to refund outstanding Bonds at or prior to their stated maturity. Pursuant to Section 16784 of the Refunding Law, the proceeds of such refunding bonds and other funds as described herein shall be deposited into the Refunding Escrow Fund of the State Treasury, which fund is irrevocably dedicated to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the refunded Bonds as it comes due. A separate account or accounts will be created within the Refunding Escrow Fund for each issue of refunding bonds. If Defeasance Obligations together with cash, if any, sufficient to pay all of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the refunded Bonds to their maturity or the date fixed for redemption are so deposited in the Refunding Escrow Fund, the refunded Bonds will no longer be deemed outstanding for purposes of the Resolutions. Except in the case of the defeasance of Bonds by the deposit of the full amount of the principal and interest due until the date fixed for redemption or maturity, the sufficiency of the deposit in the Refunding Escrow Fund will be verified by a firm of independent public accountants.

“Defeasance Obligations” for these purposes are defined as follows: (i) bonds or interest-bearing notes or obligations of the United States, or those for which the faith and credit of the United States are pledged for the payment of principal and interest, including receipts, certificates or any other evidences of an ownership interest therein, or in specified portions thereof, which are rated in the highest rating category by each rating agency rating such obligations; (ii) bonds or interest-bearing notes or obligations that are guaranteed as to principal and interest by a federal agency of the United States; (iii) pre-refunded municipal bonds which are rated in the highest rating category by each rating agency rating such bonds; (iv) bonds, consolidated bonds, collateral trust debentures, consolidated debentures or other obligations issued by federal land banks or federal intermediate credit banks established under the Federal Farm Loan Act, as amended; debentures and consolidated debentures issued by the Central Bank for Cooperatives and banks for cooperatives established under the Farm Credit Act of 1933, as amended; bonds or debentures of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board established under the Federal Home Loan Bank Act; bonds, debentures and other obligations of the Federal National Mortgage Association established under the National Housing Act as amended and bonds of any federal home loan bank established under that act; obligations of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; bonds, notes and other obligations issued by the Tennessee Valley Authority under the Tennessee Valley Authority Act as amended; and bonds, notes and other obligations guaranteed by the Commodity Credit Corporation for the export of California agricultural products under the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act as amended, provided, however that the Defeasance Obligations specified in this paragraph (iv) shall be rated by at least two of any three rating agencies rating such obligations not lower than the higher of (1) the rating on the Bonds to be defeased at the time of the original issuance thereof and (2) the rating on the Bonds to be defeased at the time of defeasance; (v) deposit in the State Surplus Money Investment Fund; or (vi) any other investment designated in a Supplemental Certificate as a Defeasance Obligation for purposes of defeasing the Bonds authorized by such Supplemental Certificate, provided that each rating agency has confirmed in writing to the Treasurer that the use of such other investment will not, by itself, result in the withdrawal, suspension or downgrade of any rating issued by such rating agency with respect to any such Bonds defeased.

### **LEGAL MATTERS**

The opinion of the Honorable Edmund G. Brown Jr., Attorney General of the State (the “Attorney General”), approving the validity of the Bonds will accompany the Bonds deposited with DTC. The

opinions of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Bond Counsel to the State (“Bond Counsel”), approving the validity of the Bonds and addressing certain tax matters will also accompany the Bonds deposited with DTC. The proposed forms of legal opinions for the Bonds are set forth in Appendix D. See “TAX MATTERS” and APPENDIX D—“PROPOSED FORMS OF LEGAL OPINIONS.” Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP and Robinson & Pearman LLP, are serving as Co-Disclosure Counsel to the State with respect to the Bonds (“Bond Co-Disclosure Counsel”). Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP and Stradling Yocca Carlson and Rauth, a Professional Corporation, are serving as Co-Disclosure Counsel to the State regarding Appendix A (“Appendix A Co-Disclosure Counsel”). Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by their counsel, Sidley Austin LLP (“Underwriters’ Counsel”).

The Attorney General, Bond Counsel, Bond Co-Disclosure Counsel, Appendix A Co-Disclosure Counsel and Underwriters’ Counsel, respectively, undertake no responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of this Official Statement.

### **TAX MATTERS**

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, based upon an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings, and court decisions, and assuming, among other matters, the accuracy of certain representations and compliance with certain covenants, interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Code and is exempt from State of California personal income taxes. In the further opinion of Bond Counsel, interest on the Bonds is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal individual and corporate alternative minimum taxes. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to whether some or all interest on the Bonds is included in adjusted current earnings when calculating federal corporate alternative minimum taxable income. A complete copy of the proposed form of opinion of Bond Counsel is set forth in APPENDIX D—“PROPOSED FORMS OF LEGAL OPINIONS.”

To the extent the issue price of any maturity of the Bonds is less than the amount to be paid at maturity of such Bonds (excluding amounts stated to be interest and payable at least annually over the term of such Bonds), the difference constitutes “original issue discount,” the accrual of which, to the extent properly allocable to each Beneficial Owner thereof, is treated as interest on the Bonds which is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and exempt from State of California personal income taxes. For this purpose, the issue price of a particular maturity of the Bonds is the first price at which a substantial amount of such maturity of the Bonds is sold to the public (excluding bond houses, brokers, or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers). The original issue discount with respect to any maturity of the Bonds accrues daily over the term to maturity of such Bonds on the basis of a constant interest rate compounded semiannually (with straight-line interpolations between compounding dates). The accruing original issue discount is added to the adjusted basis of such Bonds to determine taxable gain or loss upon disposition (including sale, redemption, or payment on maturity) of such Bonds. Beneficial Owners of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the tax consequences of ownership of Bonds with original issue discount, including the treatment of Beneficial Owners who do not purchase such Bonds in the original offering to the public at the first price at which a substantial amount of such Bonds is sold to the public.

Bonds purchased, whether at original issuance or otherwise, for an amount higher than their principal amount payable at maturity (or, in some cases, at their earlier call date) (“Premium Bonds”) will be treated as having amortizable bond premium. No deduction is allowable for the amortizable bond premium in the case of bonds, like the Premium Bonds, the interest on which is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. However, the amount of tax-exempt interest received, and a Beneficial Owner’s basis in a Premium Bond, will be reduced by the amount of amortizable bond

premium properly allocable to such Beneficial Owner. Beneficial Owners of Premium Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the proper treatment of amortizable bond premium in their particular circumstances.

The Code imposes various restrictions, conditions and requirements relating to the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on obligations such as the Bonds. The State has made certain representations and covenanted to comply with certain restrictions, conditions, and requirements designed to ensure that interest on the Bonds will not be included in federal gross income. Inaccuracy of these representations or failure to comply with these covenants may result in interest on the Bonds being included in gross income for federal income tax purposes, possibly from the date of original issuance of the Bonds. Bond Counsel has not undertaken to determine (or to inform any person) whether any actions taken (or not taken), or events occurring (or not occurring), or any other matters coming to Bond Counsel's attention after the date of issuance of the Bonds may adversely affect the value of, or the tax status of interest on, the Bonds. Accordingly, the opinion of Bond Counsel is not intended to, and may not, be relied upon in connection with any such actions, events or matters.

Although Bond Counsel is of the opinion that interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is exempt from State of California personal income taxes, the ownership or disposition of, or the accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds may otherwise affect a Beneficial Owner's federal, state, or local tax liability. The nature and extent of these other tax consequences depends upon the particular tax status of the Beneficial Owner or the Beneficial Owner's other items of income or deduction. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding any such other tax consequences.

Future legislative proposals, if enacted into law, clarification of the Code, or court decisions may cause interest on the Bonds to be subject, directly or indirectly, to federal income taxation or to be subject to or exempted from state income taxation, or otherwise prevent Beneficial Owners from realizing the full current benefit of the tax status of such interest. The introduction or enactment of any such future legislative proposals, clarification of the Code or court decisions may also affect the market price for, or marketability of, the Bonds. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding any pending or proposed federal or state tax legislation, regulations or litigation, as to which Bond Counsel expresses no opinion.

The opinion of Bond Counsel is based on current legal authority, covers certain matters not directly addressed by such authorities, and represents Bond Counsel's judgment as to the proper treatment of the Bonds for federal income tax purposes. It is not binding on the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") or the courts. Furthermore, Bond Counsel cannot give and has not given any opinion or assurance about the future activities of the State, or about the effect of future changes in the Code, the applicable regulations, the interpretation thereof or the enforcement thereof by the IRS. The State has covenanted, however, to comply with the requirements of the Code.

Bond Counsel's engagement with respect to the Bonds ends with the issuance of the Bonds, and, unless separately engaged, Bond Counsel is not obligated to defend the State or the Beneficial Owners regarding the tax-exempt status of the Bonds in the event of an audit examination by the IRS. Under current procedures, parties other than the State and their appointed counsel, including the Beneficial Owners, would have little, if any, right to participate in the audit examination process. Moreover, because achieving judicial review in connection with an audit examination of tax-exempt bonds is difficult, obtaining an independent review of IRS positions with which the State legitimately disagrees, may not be practicable. Any action of the IRS, including but not limited to selection of the Bonds for audit, or the course or result of such audit, or an audit of bonds presenting similar tax issues, may affect

the market price for, or the marketability of, the Bonds, and may cause the State or the Beneficial Owners to incur significant expense.

## **LITIGATION**

There is not now pending (with service of process on the State having been accomplished) or threatened any litigation seeking to restrain or enjoin the sale, issuance, execution or delivery of the Bonds or challenging the validity of the Bonds or any proceedings of the State taken with respect to the foregoing.

At any given time, including the present, there are numerous civil actions pending against the State, which could, if determined adversely to the State, affect the State's expenditures and, in some cases, its revenues and cash flow. While there can be no assurances as to the ultimate outcome and fiscal impact of such litigation, the State believes that it is unlikely that the outcome of any such litigation could adversely affect the ability of the State to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due. See APPENDIX A—"THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA—LITIGATION."

## **UNDERWRITING**

The Bonds are being purchased by an underwriting group comprised of the underwriters listed on the cover page hereof (the "Underwriters"). J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated are acting as the representatives of the Underwriters. The Underwriters have agreed to purchase the Bonds for an aggregate purchase price of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (representing the principal amount of the Bonds of \$\_\_\_\_\_, plus net original issue premium of \$\_\_\_\_\_, less an Underwriters' discount of \$\_\_\_\_\_). The initial public offering prices of the Bonds may be changed from time to time by the Underwriters.

The bond purchase contract relating to the Bonds provides that (i) the Underwriters will purchase all of the Bonds if any of the Bonds are purchased and (ii) the obligation to make such purchase is subject to certain terms and conditions set forth in such purchase contract including, among others, the approval of certain legal matters by counsel.

Wachovia Bank, National Association has provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. Wells Fargo Securities is the trade name for certain capital markets and investment banking services of Wells Fargo & Company and its subsidiaries, including Wachovia Bank, National Association.

Several of the Underwriters, J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, Barclays Capital Inc., Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and De La Rosa & Co. have provided letters to the State Treasurer set forth herein as Appendix E relating to their retail distribution practices for inclusion in this Official Statement. The State does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of the information contained in such letters and the information therein is not to be construed as a representation of the State or any Underwriter other than the underwriter providing such representation.

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Audited Basic Financial Statements of the State of California (the "Financial Statements") are available for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2008. These statements have been examined by the State Auditor to the extent indicated in her report. Such Financial Statements have been filed with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's Electronic Municipal Market Access website, as part of an Official Statement for certain State General Obligation Bonds sold in 2009, and are incorporated by

reference into this Official Statement. The Financial Statements are also available through other electronic means. No such information is a part of or incorporated into this Official Statement, except as expressly noted. See APPENDIX A—"THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS" for further information on how to obtain or view the Financial Statements.

Certain unaudited financial information for the twelve months ended June 30, 2009, and the seven months ended January 31, 2010, are included as Exhibits to Appendix A. See APPENDIX A—"THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA—FINANCIAL STATEMENTS."

## **RATINGS**

All of the Bonds have received ratings of "Baa1" by Moody's Investors Service ("Moody's"), "A1" by Standard & Poor's, a Division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. ("S&P"), and "BBB" by Fitch Ratings ("Fitch"). An explanation of the significance and status of such credit ratings may be obtained from the rating agencies furnishing the same. There is no assurance that such ratings will continue for any given period of time or that they will not be revised or withdrawn entirely by any such rating agencies if, in their respective judgments, circumstances so warrant. Any revision or withdrawal of a credit rating could have an effect on the market prices and marketability of the Bonds. The State cannot predict the timing or impact of future actions by the rating agencies.

## **FINANCIAL ADVISOR**

Public Resources Advisory Group is serving as the Financial Advisor to the State in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. The Financial Advisor has not been engaged, nor has it undertaken, to make an independent verification or assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the information contained in this Official Statement.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The purpose of this Official Statement is to supply information to prospective buyers of the Bonds. Quotations from and summaries and explanations of the Bonds and of statutes or documents are brief summaries thereof which do not purport to be complete or definitive, and reference is made to such statutes or documents for full and complete statements of the contents thereof.

Any statements in this Official Statement involving estimates, forecasts or matters of opinion, whether or not expressly so stated, are intended as such and not as representations of fact. This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement between the State and the purchasers or holders of any of the Bonds.

Questions regarding this Official Statement and the issuance of these securities may be addressed to the Office of the Honorable Bill Lockyer, Treasurer of the State of California, 915 Capitol Mall, Room 110, Sacramento, California 95814, telephone (800) 900-3873.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
BILL LOCKYER  
Treasurer of the State of California

**APPENDIX A**  
**THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

## APPENDIX B

### THE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM

#### DTC'S BOOK ENTRY SYSTEM

*The information in the following section entitled "DTC's Book-Entry System" has been provided by DTC for use in securities offering documents, and the State takes no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness thereof. The State cannot and does not give any assurances that DTC, DTC Participants or Indirect Participants will distribute to the Beneficial Owners either (a) payments of interest, principal or premium, if any, with respect to the Bonds or (b) certificates representing ownership interest in or other confirmation of ownership interest in the Bonds, or that they will so do on a timely basis or that DTC, DTC Participants or DTC Indirect Participants will act in the manner described in this Official Statement. The current "Rules" applicable to DTC are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the current "Procedures" of DTC to be followed in dealing with DTC Participants are on file with DTC.*

1. The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, will act as securities depository for the bonds (the "Bonds"). The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Bond certificate will be issued for each issue of the Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of such issue, and will be deposited with DTC. If, however, the aggregate principal amount of any issue exceeds \$500 million, one certificate will be issued with respect to each \$500 million of principal amount and an additional certificate will be issued with respect to any remaining principal amount of such issue.

2. DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has Standard & Poor's highest rating: AAA. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com) and [www.dtc.org](http://www.dtc.org).



3. Purchases of Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

4. To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds. DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

5. Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. The State Treasurer will not have any responsibility or obligation to such Direct Participants and Indirect Participants or the persons for whom they act as nominees with respect to the Bonds. Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

6. Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Bonds within a maturity are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such maturity to be redeemed.

7. Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor such other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the State Treasurer as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

8. Principal and interest payments on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the State Treasurer, on payable dates in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC nor its nominee, Agent,

or the State Treasurer, subject to any statutory, or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal and interest to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the State Treasurer, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

9. DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the State Treasurer. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

10. The State Treasurer may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). If the State Treasurer determines not to continue the DTC book-entry only system, or DTC discontinues providing its services with respect to the Bonds and the State Treasurer does not select another qualified securities depository, the State will deliver physical Bond certificates to the Beneficial Owners. The Bonds may thereafter be transferred upon the books of the State Treasurer by the registered owners, in person or by authorized attorney, upon surrender of Bonds at the Office of the State Treasurer in Sacramento, California, accompanied by delivery of an executed instrument of transfer in a form approved by the State Treasurer and upon payment of any charges provided for in the Resolutions. Certificated bonds may be exchanged for Bonds of other authorized denominations of the same aggregate principal amount and maturity at the Office of the State Treasurer in Sacramento, California, upon payment of any charges provided for in the Resolutions. No transfer or exchange of Bonds will be made by the State Treasurer during the period between the record date and the next Interest Payment Date.

THE STATE TREASURER, AS LONG AS A BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM IS USED FOR THE BONDS, WILL SEND ANY NOTICE OF REDEMPTION OR OTHER NOTICES TO OWNERS TO ONLY DTC. ANY FAILURE OF DTC TO ADVISE ANY DTC PARTICIPANT, OR OF ANY DTC PARTICIPANT TO NOTIFY ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER, OF ANY NOTICE AND ITS CONTENT OR EFFECT WILL NOT AFFECT THE VALIDITY OR SUFFICIENCY OF THE PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO THE REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS CALLED FOR REDEMPTION OR OF ANY OTHER ACTION PREMISED ON SUCH NOTICE.

11. The foregoing description of the procedures and record keeping with respect to beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds, payment of principal of and interest and other payments with respect to the Bonds to Direct Participants, Indirect Participants or Beneficial Owners, confirmation and transfer of beneficial ownership interest in such Bonds and other related transactions by and between DTC, the Direct Participants, the Indirect Participants and the Beneficial Owners is based solely on information provided by DTC. Accordingly, no representations can be made concerning these matters and neither the Direct Participants, the Indirect Participants nor the Beneficial Owners should rely on the foregoing information with respect to such matters but should instead confirm the same with DTC or the Participants, as the case may be.

SO LONG AS CEDE & CO. IS THE REGISTERED OWNER OF THE BONDS, AS NOMINEE OF DTC, REFERENCES HEREIN TO THE HOLDERS OF THE BONDS (OTHER THAN UNDER THE CAPTION "TAX MATTERS" HEREIN) SHALL MEAN CEDE & CO., AS AFORESAID, AND SHALL NOT MEAN THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE BONDS.

## APPENDIX C

### FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

This Continuing Disclosure Certificate (this “Disclosure Certificate”) is executed as of March \_\_, 2010, by the Treasurer of the State of California (the “State Treasurer”) in connection with the issuance of \$\_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount of the State of California Various Purpose General Obligation Bonds (collectively, the “Bonds”) as authorized by various acts of the State of California legislature (the “Acts”). The Bonds are being issued pursuant to resolutions of finance committees (the “Resolutions”), designated under the Acts. Pursuant to the Resolutions, the State Treasurer, on behalf of the State of California (the “State”), covenants and agrees as follows:

Section 1. Nature of the Disclosure Certificate. This Disclosure Certificate is executed for the benefit of the Holders and Beneficial Owners (as defined below) of the Bonds from time to time, and in order to assist the Participating Underwriters (as defined below) in complying with the Rule (as defined below), but shall not be deemed to create any monetary liability on the part of the State or the State Treasurer to any other persons, including Holders or Beneficial Owners of the Bonds based on the Rule. The sole remedy in the event of any failure of the State Treasurer to comply with this Disclosure Certificate shall be an action to compel performance of any act required hereunder.

Section 2. Definitions. In addition to the definitions set forth in the Resolutions, which apply to any capitalized term used in this Disclosure Certificate unless otherwise defined in this Section, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

“Annual Report” shall mean the Annual Report filed by the State Treasurer pursuant to, and as described in, Sections 3 and 4 of this Disclosure Certificate.

“Beneficial Owner” shall mean any person who has or shares the power, directly or indirectly, to make investment decisions concerning ownership of any Bonds (including persons holding Bonds through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries).

“Dissemination Agent” shall mean the State Treasurer, acting in its capacity as Dissemination Agent hereunder, or any successor Dissemination Agent designated in writing by the State Treasurer.

“Holder” shall mean any person listed on the registration books of the State Treasurer as the registered owner of any Bonds.

“Listed Event” shall mean any of the events listed in Section 5(a) of this Disclosure Certificate.

“MSRB” shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board or any other entity designated or authorized by the SEC to receive reports or notices pursuant to the Rule. Until otherwise designated by the MSRB or the SEC, filings with the MSRB are to be made through the Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) website of the MSRB, currently located at <http://emma.msrb.org>.

“Official Statement” shall mean the official statement relating to the Bonds, dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

“Participating Underwriter” shall mean any original underwriters of the Bonds required to comply with the Rule in connection with the offering of the Bonds.

“Rule” shall mean Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) adopted by the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as the same may be amended from time to time.

“State” shall mean the State of California.

### Section 3. Provision of Annual Reports.

(a) The State Treasurer on behalf of the State shall, not later than April 1 of each year in which the Bonds are outstanding, commencing with the report containing 2009-10 Fiscal Year financial information, provide an Annual Report consistent with the requirements of this Disclosure Certificate (an “Annual Report”) to the MSRB in such form as is required by the MSRB; provided that the audited financial statements of the State may be submitted separately from the balance of the Annual Report and later than the date required above for the filing of the Annual Report if they are not available by that date. The State Treasurer shall make a copy of any Annual Report available to any person who requests a copy at a cost not exceeding the reasonable cost of duplication and delivery.

(b) If in any year, the State Treasurer does not provide the Annual Report to the MSRB by the time specified above, the State Treasurer shall instead file a notice with the MSRB stating that the Annual Report has not been timely completed and, if known, stating the date by which the State Treasurer expects to file the Annual Report.

(c) If the Dissemination Agent is not the State Treasurer, the Dissemination Agent shall:

1. if an entity other than the MSRB has been designated by the SEC to receive reports or notices pursuant to the Rule, determine prior to the date for filing the Annual Report the name and address of such entity;

2. file a report with the State Treasurer certifying that the Annual Report has been filed pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate and the dates of the filings (and if an entity other than the MSRB has been designated by the SEC to receive reports or notices pursuant to the Rule, specifying the name and address of such entity); and

3. take any other actions mutually agreed to between the Dissemination Agent and the State Treasurer.

Section 4. Content of Annual Reports. The Annual Report shall contain or include by reference the following:

(a) The audited Basic Financial Statements of the State for the fiscal year ended on the previous June 30, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles promulgated to apply to government entities from time to time by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. If the State’s audited financial statements are not available by the time the Annual Report is required to be filed pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate, the Annual Report shall contain unaudited financial statements in a format similar to the financial statements contained in the final Official Statement, and the audited financial statements shall be filed in the same manner as the Annual Report when they become available.

(b) Financial information relating to the State’s General Fund budget for the fiscal year ended on the previous June 30 and information concerning the State budget for the fiscal year in which the Annual Report is issued. Such information shall describe the sources of revenues, the principal categories of expenditures, and changes in fund balances, a summary of expected State revenues and budgeted expenditures, and significant assumptions relating to revenue and expenditure expectations; including

updating the following tables which appear under the caption APPENDIX A—“THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA—AMENDED 2009 BUDGET ACT” in the Official Statement:

Table Entitled

Statement of Estimated Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance—General Fund

General Fund Revenue Sources and Expenditures

(c) Information concerning the total amount of the State’s authorized and outstanding debt, long-term lease obligations and other long-term liabilities as of the end of the most recent June 30, which debt is supported by payments from the State’s General Fund and which includes short-term debt. Such information shall include schedules of debt service for outstanding general obligation bonds and lease-purchase debt. This shall be accomplished by updating the following tables which appear under the caption APPENDIX A—“THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA—STATE DEBT TABLES” in the Official Statement.

Table Entitled

Outstanding State Debt

Authorized and Outstanding General Obligation Bonds

General Obligation and Lease Revenue Bonds—Summary of Debt Service Requirements

Schedule of Debt Service Requirements for General Fund—Non-Self Liquidating Bonds—Fixed Rate

Schedule of Debt Service Requirements for General Fund—Non-Self Liquidating Bonds—Variable Rate

Schedule of Debt Service Requirements for Special Revenue Fund—Self Liquidating Bonds—Fixed Rate

Schedule of Debt Service Requirements for Special Revenue Fund—Self Liquidating Bonds—Variable Rate

Schedule of Debt Service Requirements for Enterprise Fund—Self Liquidating Bonds—Fixed Rate

Schedule of Debt Service Requirements for Lease-Purchase Debt

State Public Works Board and Other Lease-Purchase Financing Outstanding Issues

State Agency Revenue Bonds and Conduit Financing

The Annual Report may consist of one or more documents. Any or all of the items listed above may be included in the Annual Report by reference to other documents that have been filed by the State with the MSRB, including any final official statement (in which case such final official statement must also be available from the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board). The State Treasurer shall clearly identify in the Annual Report each such document so included by reference.

Section 5. Reporting of Significant Events.

(a) Pursuant to the provisions of this Section 5, the State Treasurer, on behalf of the State, shall give, or cause to be given, prompt notice of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds, if material:

1. principal and interest payment delinquencies;
2. non-payment related defaults;
3. modifications to rights of Holders;
4. optional, contingent or unscheduled bond calls;
5. defeasances;
6. rating changes;
7. adverse tax opinions or events affecting the tax-exempt status of the Bonds;
8. unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
9. unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
10. substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; or
11. release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds.

The State Treasurer notes that items 8, 9, 10 and 11 are not applicable to the Bonds.

(b) The State Treasurer shall timely file a notice of the occurrence of a Listed Event, which is material under applicable federal securities laws, with the MSRB, in the form required by the MSRB.

Section 6. Termination of Reporting Obligation. The State's obligations under Sections 3, 4 and 5 of this Disclosure Certificate shall terminate upon the maturity, legal defeasance, prior redemption or acceleration of all of the outstanding Bonds or if less than all the Bonds are defeased, with respect to those Bonds. If such termination occurs prior to the final maturity of the Bonds, the State Treasurer shall give notice of such termination in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 5(b).

Section 7. Dissemination Agent. The State Treasurer may, from time to time, appoint or engage a Dissemination Agent to assist it in carrying out the obligations under this Disclosure Certificate, and may discharge any such Dissemination Agent, with or without appointing a successor Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent shall not be responsible in any manner for the content of any notice or report prepared by the State Treasurer pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate. If at any time there is not any other designated Dissemination Agent, the State Treasurer shall be the Dissemination Agent. The initial Dissemination Agent shall be the State Treasurer.

Section 8. Amendment; Waiver. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the State Treasurer may amend or waive any provision of this Disclosure Certificate, provided that the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) If the amendment or waiver relates to the provisions of Section 3(a), 4, 5(a), or 8, it may only be made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal requirements, change in law, or change in the identity, nature or status of an obligated person with respect to the Bonds, or the type of business conducted;

(b) The undertaking, as amended or taking into account such waiver, would, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, have complied with the requirements of the Rule at the time of the original issuance of the Bonds, after taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule, as well as any change in circumstances; and

(c) The amendment or waiver either (i) is approved by the Holders of 60% of the Bonds outstanding or (ii) does not, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, materially impair the interests of the Holders or Beneficial Owners of the Bonds. The State also may amend this Disclosure Certificate without approval by the Holders to the extent permitted by rule, order or other official pronouncement of the SEC.

In the event of any amendment or waiver of a provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the State Treasurer shall describe such amendment in the next Annual Report, and shall include, as applicable, a narrative explanation of the reason for the amendment or waiver and its impact on the type (or, in the case of a change of accounting principles, on the presentation) of financial information or operating data being presented by the State. In addition, if the amendment relates to the accounting principles to be followed in preparing financial statements, (i) notice of such change shall be given in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 5(b), and (ii) the Annual Report for the year in which the change is made should present a comparison (in narrative form and also, if feasible, in quantitative form) between the financial statements as prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.

Section 9. Additional Information. Nothing in this Disclosure Certificate shall be deemed to prevent the State Treasurer from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Disclosure Certificate or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is required by this Disclosure Certificate. If the State Treasurer chooses to include any information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event in addition to that which is specifically required by this Disclosure Certificate, the State Treasurer shall not have any obligation under this Disclosure Certificate to update such information or include it in any Annual Report or future notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

Section 10. Beneficiaries. This Disclosure Certificate shall inure solely to the benefit of the Holders and Beneficial Owners from time to time of the Bonds, and shall create no rights in any other person or entity (except the right of the Dissemination Agent or any Holder or Beneficial Owner to enforce the provisions of this Disclosure Certificate on behalf of the Holders). This Disclosure Certificate is not intended to create any monetary rights on behalf of any person based upon the Rule.

Section 11. Partial Invalidity. If any one or more of the agreements or covenants or portions thereof required hereby to be performed by or on the part of the State Treasurer shall be contrary to law, then such agreement or agreements, such covenant or covenants or such portions thereof shall be null and void and shall be deemed separable from the remaining agreements and covenants or portions thereof and shall in no way affect the validity hereof, and the Holders of the Bonds shall retain all the benefits afforded to them hereunder. The State Treasurer hereby declares that he would have executed and delivered this Disclosure Certificate and each and every other article, section, paragraph, subdivision, sentence, clause and phrase hereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more articles, sections,

paragraphs, subdivisions, sentences, clauses or phrases hereof or the application thereof to any person or circumstance may be held to be unconstitutional, unenforceable or invalid.

Section 12. Governing Law. The laws of the State shall govern this Disclosure Certificate, the interpretation thereof and any right or liability arising hereunder. Any action or proceeding to enforce or interpret any provision of this Disclosure Certificate shall be brought, commenced or prosecuted in any courts of the State located in Sacramento County, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the State Treasurer has executed this Disclosure Certificate as of the date first above written.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Treasurer  
For California State Treasurer Bill Lockyer



**APPENDIX D**

**PROPOSED FORMS OF LEGAL OPINIONS**

**FORM OF FINAL OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL**

[Delivery Date]

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
VARIOUS PURPOSE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS**

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(Final Opinion)

We have acted as Bond Counsel to the State of California (the "State") in connection with the issuance by the State of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount of State of California Various Purpose General Obligation Bonds (the "Bonds"), dated March \_\_, 2010, and issued as \_\_\_ separate series under \_\_\_ bond acts, all identified in Schedule A hereto, which is incorporated by reference (collectively, the "Bonds"). The Bonds are authorized pursuant to the respective bond acts identified in Schedule A (collectively, the "Laws") and are issued pursuant to Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Government Code and to resolutions (the "Resolutions") adopted by the respective finance committees designated under the Laws.

In such connection, we have examined the Resolutions, the tax certificate of the State (the "Tax Certificate"), other certifications of officials of the State, and such other documents and matters to the extent deemed necessary to render the opinions set forth herein.

The opinions expressed herein are based on an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings and court decisions and cover certain matters not directly addressed by such authorities. Such opinions may be affected by actions taken or omitted or events occurring after the date hereof. We have not undertaken to determine, or to inform any person, whether any such actions are taken or omitted or events do occur or any other matters come to our attention after the date hereof. Accordingly, this opinion speaks only as of its date and is not intended to, and may not, be relied upon in connection with any such actions, events or matters. We have no obligation to update this letter. We have assumed the genuineness of all documents and signatures presented to us (whether as originals or as copies). We have assumed, without undertaking to verify, the accuracy of the factual matters represented, warranted or certified in the documents referred to in the second paragraph hereof. Furthermore, we have assumed compliance with all covenants and agreements contained in the Resolutions and the Tax Certificate, including (without limitation) covenants and agreements compliance with which is necessary to assure that future actions, omissions or events will not cause interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes.

We call attention to the fact that the rights and obligations under the Bonds, the Resolutions and the Tax Certificate and their enforceability may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, arrangement, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium and other laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights, to the application of equitable principles, to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases, and to the limitations on legal remedies against the State. We express no opinion with respect to any indemnification, contribution, penalty, choice of law, choice of forum, choice of venue, waiver or severability provisions contained in foregoing documents. Finally, we undertake no responsibility for the

accuracy, completeness or fairness of the Official Statement or other offering material relating to the Bonds and express no opinion with respect thereto.

Based on and subject to the foregoing, and in reliance thereon, as of the date hereof, we are of the following opinions:

1. The State has lawful authority for the issuance of the Bonds, and the Bonds constitute valid and binding general obligations of the State payable in accordance with the Laws from the General Fund of the State. The full faith and credit of the State are pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the principal and interest become due and payable.

2. Interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). Interest on the Bonds is not a specific preference item for purposes of calculating the federal individual or corporate alternative minimum taxes. We express no opinion as to whether some or all interest on the Bonds is included in adjusted current earnings in calculating corporate alternative minimum taxable income. Interest on the Bonds is exempt from State personal income taxes. We express no opinion regarding any other tax consequences related to the ownership or disposition of, or the accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds.

Very truly yours,

ORRICK, HERRINGTON & SUTCLIFFE LLP

Per

**Schedule A**

FORM OF OPINION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

[Closing Date]

The Honorable Bill Lockyer  
State Treasurer  
Sacramento, California

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

§ \_\_\_\_\_  
VARIOUS PURPOSE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

Honorable Bill Lockyer:

We have acted as counsel to the State of California (the "State") in connection with the issuance by the State of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount of State of California Various Purpose General Obligation Bonds (the "Bonds") dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, and issued as \_\_\_\_\_ separate series under \_\_\_\_\_ bond acts, all identified in Schedule A hereto, which is incorporated by reference. The Bonds are authorized pursuant to the respective bond acts identified in Schedule A (collectively, the "Laws") and are issued pursuant to Chapter 4 of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Government Code and to resolutions (the "Resolutions") adopted by the respective finance committees designated under the Laws.

In such connection, we have examined the record of proceedings submitted to us relative to the issuance of the Bonds, including the Resolutions, certifications of officials of the State, and such other documents and matters deemed necessary by us to render the opinions set forth herein, although in doing so, we have not undertaken to verify independently, and have assumed, the accuracy of the factual matters represented, warranted or certified therein.

The opinions expressed herein are based upon an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings and court decisions and cover certain matters not directly addressed by such authorities. Such opinions may be affected by actions taken or omitted or events occurring after the date hereof, and we disclaim any obligation to update this letter. We have neither undertaken to determine, nor to inform any person, whether any such actions are taken or omitted or events do occur or whether any other matters come to our attention after the date hereof. We have assumed the genuineness of all documents and signatures presented to us, the conformity to original documents and certificates of all documents and certificates submitted to us as certified or photostatic copies and the authenticity of the originals of such latter documents and certificates. Furthermore, we have assumed compliance with the agreements and covenants contained in the Resolutions.

We call attention to the fact that the rights and obligations under the Bonds and the Resolutions and their enforceability may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, arrangement, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium and other laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights, to the application of equitable principles, to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases, and to the limitations contained in State law regarding legal remedies against the State. We express no opinion with respect to any indemnification, contribution, penalty, choice of law, choice of forum, choice of venue, severability or waiver provisions contained in the foregoing documents. We express no opinion as to whether interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes or exempt

from State personal income taxes or as to any other tax consequences related to the ownership or disposition of, or the accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds. Finally, we undertake no responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the Official Statement dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, or other offering material relating to the Bonds and express no opinion with respect thereto.

Based on and subject to the foregoing, and in reliance thereon, as of the date hereof, we are of the opinion that the State has lawful authority for the issuance of the Bonds, and the Bonds constitute the valid and binding general obligations of the State payable in accordance with the Laws from the General Fund of the State. The full faith and credit of the State are pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, as the principal and interest become due and payable.

Sincerely,

Deputy Attorney General  
For EDMUND G. BROWN JR.  
Attorney General of the State of California

**Schedule A**

**APPENDIX E**

**LETTER FROM UNDERWRITERS**

