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March 25, 2009

International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc.

Send to: hardwiring@isda.org

Dear Sirs.

## 2009 ISDA Credit Derivatives Determinations Committees and Auction Settlement CDS Protocol - Adherence

The purpose of this letter is to confirm our adherence to the 2009 ISDA Credit Derivatives Determinations Committees and Auction Settlement CDS Protocol as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. on March 12, 2009 (the **Protocol**). This letter constitutes an Adherence Letter as referred to in the Protocol. The definitions and provisions contained in the Protocol are incorporated into this Adherence Letter, which will supplement and form part of each Protocol Covered Transaction (now or in the future) entered into between us and each other Adhering Party.

#### 1. Specified Terms

The amendments in Schedule 1 of the Protocol shall apply to Protocol Covered Transactions to which we are a party in accordance with the terms of the Protocol.

### 2. Appointment as Agent and Release

We hereby appoint ISDA as our agent for the limited purposes of the Protocol and accordingly we waive any rights and hereby release ISDA from any claims, actions or causes of action whatsoever (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) arising out of or in any way relating to this Adherence Letter or our adherence to the Protocol or any actions contemplated as being required by ISDA.

#### 3. DTCC Account Number

For purposes of electronic matching and counterparty recognition, our DTCC Account Number is as follows, but you understand and agree that our failure to provide any such details pursuant to this Adherence Letter will not affect the legal validity and binding nature of the Protocol with respect to us:

Fund Name

JOHN HANCOCK GOVERNMENT INCOME FUND JOHN HANCOCK HIGH YIELD FUND JOHN HANCOCK BOND FUND MFC Global Investment Management 101 Huntington Avenue Boston, Massachusetts 02199-7603

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MFC Global Investment Management (U.S.), LLC

JOHN HANCOCK INVESTMENT GRADE BOND FUND

JOHN HANCOCK STRATEGIC INCOME FUND

JOHN HANCOCK TAX-FREE BOND FUND

JOHN HANCOCK HIGH YIELD MUNICIPAL BOND FUND

JOHN HANCOCK GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND

JOHN HANCOCK LARGE CAP EQUITY FUND

JOHN HANCOCK SOVEREIGN INVESTORS FUND

JOHN HANCOCK CALIFORNIA TAX-FREE INCOME FUND

JOHN HANCOCK NEW YORK TAX-FREE INCOME FUND

JOHN HANCOCK MASSACHUSETTS TAX-FREE INCOME FUND

JOHN HANCOCK FUNDS II -ACTIVE BOND FUND

JOHN HANCOCK FUNDS II -HIGH INCOME FUND

JOHN HANCOCK FUNDS II -STRATEGIC FUND

JOHN HANCOCK TRUST - ACTIVE BOND TRUST

JOHN HANCOCK TRUST - HIGH INCOME TRUST

JOHN HANCOCK TRUST - STRATEGIC TRUST

JOHN HANCOCK FUNDS III- LEVERAGED COMPANIES FUND

JOHN HANCOCK PENSION- 2R INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUND

JOHN HANCOCK HEALTH SCIENCES FUND

JOHN HANCOCK PREFERRED INCOME FUND II

JOHN HANCOCK PREFERRED INCOME FUND

JOHN HANCOCK INCOME SECURITIES TRUST

JOHN HANCOCK PREFERRED INCOME FUND III

JOHN HANCOCK INVESTORS TRUST

JOHN HANCOCK TAX-ADVANTAGE DIVIDEND INCOME FUND

#### 4. Contact Details

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We consent to the publication of a conformed copy of this letter by ISDA and to the disclosure by ISDA of the contents of this letter.

Yours faithfully,

MFC Global Investment Management US, LLC(formerly John Hancock Advisors, LLC): Investment/Asset Manager, acting on behalf of the funds and accounts listed in the relevant Master Agreement (or other agreement which deems a Master Agreement to have been created) between it and another Adhering Party

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