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New Jersey Educational Facilities Authority Sold \$88,670,000 Bonds for The William Paterson University of New Jersey

On June 17, 2008 the New Jersey Educational Facilities Authority sold \$88.7 million bonds on behalf of The William Paterson University of New Jersey. The transaction financed new capital projects and a partial refunding that provided net present value savings to the University of more than \$223,000 or 4.385% of refunded par. The Series 2008 C fixed-rate bonds carried a true interest cost of 4.72% and a final maturity of July 1, 2038.

Approximately \$4.3 million of bond proceeds will be used to refund the Authority's outstanding Series 1998 D Bonds. The remaining proceeds will be used by the University to renovate and expand its Science Hall which currently houses departmental programs in Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Science, Math, as well as Psychology and Anthropology. The building has not had a major renovation or upgrade since its original construction in 1971. Once complete (pictured in rendering below), the project will bring Science Hall up to current building code standards and will feature a three story, 66,000 square foot addition on the northwest side of the building and a newly renovated and expanded state-of-the-art science teaching and research facility.

Bond insurance on the transaction was provided by Assured Guaranty Corp. Moody's Investors Service assigned the University an underlying rating of "A2" with a stable outlook and cited credit strengths that included consistently strong operating margins, stable market position as a regional public university and growing financial resources. Fitch Ratings assigned an underlying of "A+" noting the University's track record of positive operating margins and balance sheet liquidity.

RBC Capital Markets served as senior manager on the transaction while Banc of America Securities LLC; Prager, Sealy & Co., LLC; and Siebert Brandford Shank & Co., LLC served as Co-Managers. Windels Marx Lane & Mittendorf, LLP was bond counsel and Public Financial Management, Inc. served as the Authority's financial advisor.



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