

The Depository Trust Company

IMPORTANT

B#: 2841
DATE: December 17, 2001
TO: All Participants
CATEGORY: Corporate Trust Services
FROM: Charles Blake
ATTENTION: Operations Manager
SUBJECT: Profile Participation

The following Direct Registration System (DRS) issues is participating in the Profile Modification System:

| CUSIP | Description | Transfer Agent | Effective Date |
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| 656531605 | Norsk Dydro | EquiServe | 12/18/01 |

All participants Withdrawal-by-Transfer (WT) requests that do not specify a DRS indicator in the requests will default to a DRS book-entry position (an "S" transaction).

Further information, please contact your relationship Management representative. This Important Notice may also be viewed on our Web site at "www.dtc.org."