

The Depository Trust Company
IMPORTANT

B#: 2547-07
DATE: November 19, 2007
TO: All Participants
CATEGORY: Dividends
FROM: Supervisor, Stock Dividend Department
ATTENTION: Dividend Managers, Cashiers, and Reorganization Managers
SUBJECT: Optional Dividend: The Adams Express Company
CUSIP 006212104 R/D: 11/20/07 P/D: 12/27/07
Rate \$0.88 per share in Stock or Cash.
DTC EDS Cut-Off 12/7/07 before 8:00 p.m. E.S.T

*****WARNING TIME CRITICAL*****

Participants, who have positions in the above captioned security, can elect to receive (1) a distribution of \$0.70 per share from undistributed net capital gain realized during the year 2007 of which \$0.63 was long term and \$0.07 was short term capital gain and (2) a dividend of \$0.18 per share from undistributed net investment income for the year 2007 in Stock, Stock and Cash, or Cash as follows:

***Option#1-(Stock) You may elect to receive additional common shares of The Adams Express Company for the combined total of \$0.88 per share and fractional shares will be paid in cash.**

***THIS STOCK ELECTION PROVIDES FOR SUB ACCOUNTING ON THE "EDS" FUNCTION**

***Option#2-(Stock & Cash) You may elect to receive additional common shares of The Adams Express Company for the capital gain distribution of \$0.70 per share with fractional shares paid in cash. And the investment income of \$0.18 per share in cash.**

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**Option#3-(Cash) You may elect to receive the total of \$0.88 in cash per common
share held.**

**PARTICIPANTS SHOULD SUBMIT ELECTION INSTRUCTIONS OVER THE
PARTICIPANTTERMINAL SYSTEM (PTS) THROUGH THE ELECTIVE
DIVIDEND SYSTEM (EDS)FUNCTION.**

**Participants not responding to the above option by 12/7/07 before 8:00 p.m. E.S.T.,
will receive the mandatory distribution in accordance with Option#2 (\$0.70 in stock
with fractions in cash and \$0.18 in cash).**

**To confirm your Record Date positions, DTC participants should access the
Dividend and AllocationHistory (DPAL) Menu Option, via the PTS Dividend
Announcements Inquiry function (DIVA).**

**If there are any questions regarding this Important Notice or the processing of
related instructions via EDS, participants should contact DTC’s Customer Service
Help Line at (888) 360-3822.**