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Dear colleague:

The BDUG Steering Committee and representatives of DTCC have just completed an agenda for BDUG's 2002 annual meeting, which will be held in San Antonio, Texas at the Hilton Palacio del Rio. This meeting will be held from October 6th – 9th, and will give you the opportunity to stay informed about current industry initiatives, hear from DTCC Senior Management and exchange information with your peers and vendor representatives.

We are very fortunate this year to be able to start our meeting Monday morning with Dennis Dirks, President and COO of DTC as our Keynote Speaker. Many other great sessions are planned including an important panel discussion on Straight Through Processing and a general session that is dedicated to DTC's Settlement Department with a focus on its new settlement model. Omgeo will have a breakout session on day-to-day processing to give you a better understanding of their latest development efforts and how they can assist you in achieving higher rates of STP. Additional sessions will focus on the Participant Browser Service, DTC's Reorg Department and its Global Corporate Actions Hub, the Custody product and your DTC bill. A more comprehensive description of the meeting sessions can be found with the attached registration materials.

Also enclosed for your review is a summary of the 2001 Survey results, which indicated an overwhelmingly favorable response to last year's meeting in Hilton Head. We appreciate the feedback we receive from our attendees each year, taking all suggestions under consideration for future meetings. As a reminder, the BDUG annual meeting is eligible for CSOP continuing education credits from the Institute of Certified Bankers.

This year's meeting will commence on Sunday, October 6th with a first time attendee's reception at 5:30 p.m. followed by the main reception at 6:00 p.m. for all meeting participants and their guests.

Please note that since the Hilton Palacio del Rio is located on the River Walk, with many restaurants and other establishments within walking distance, there will not be a sponsored dinner or other event on Monday night.

Take advantage of the early registration discount by completing the enclosed registration form **today** and forwarding it with your registration fee to Scott Joers at U.S. Bank. Please note we have the ability to accept credit card payments. See the registration form for details. All BDUG forms and documents are also available via our page on DTC's web site @ www.dtc.org. You will find BDUG information under the Industry Links heading.

All attendees should make their own reservations with the Hilton as soon as possible but no later than September 12, 2002. The BDUG preferred rate is available only for a limited number of rooms according to the hotel contract.

We look forward to seeing you in San Antonio and thank you for your continued support of BDUG.

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