Global Structured Products

November 2004



E*TRADE ABS CDO III

THE OFFERING:

\$302.8 million Collateralized Debt Obligation ("CDO") Notes and Preference Shares issued by E*TRADE ABS CDO III, Ltd.

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INVESTMENT ADVISOR:

E*TRADE Global Asset Management, Inc. ("ETGAM")

	CLASS A-1 NOTES ⁽¹⁾	CLASS A-2 NOTES ⁽¹⁾	CLASS B NOTES ⁽¹⁾	CLASS C NOTES (1)	PREFERENCE SHARES (1)	COMPOSITE SHARES SERIES I (1)(2)	COMPOSITE SHARES SERIES II (1)(3)
Principal	\$201,000,000	\$37,750,000	\$37,900,000	\$13,250,000	\$12,900,000	\$14,600,000	\$5,000,000
Percentage	66.4%	12.5%	12.5%	4.4%	4.2%	4.8%	1.7%
Coup on Type	L + 32 bps	L + 59 bps	L + 75 bps	L + 285 bps	Residual	L + 200 bps	3m LIBOR
Expected Rating	Aaa/AAA/AAA	Aaa/AAA/AAA	Aa2/AA/AA	Baa2/BBB/BBB	Ba1/BB+	Baa2/BBB	Ba1
Rating Agency	Moody's/S&P/Fitch	Moody's/S&P/Fitch	Moody's/S&P/Fitch	Moody's/S&P/Fitch	Moody's/S&P	Moody's/S&P	Moody's
Average Life ⁽⁴⁾	4.3 yrs.	7.9 yrs.	8.0 yrs.	6.5 yrs.			
Stated Maturity	2040	2040	2040	2040	2040	2040	2040
Denomination (1)	\$250,000 minimum	\$250,000 minimum	\$250,000 minimum	\$250,000 minimum	\$250,000 minimum	\$250,000 minimum	\$250,000 minimum
	\$1,000 increments	\$1,000 increments	\$1,000 increments	\$1,000 increments	\$1,000 increments	\$1,000 increments	\$1,000 increments

- Payments on the Notes and Preferred Shares will be made quarterly. Composed of 5,900,000 Preference Shares and 8,700,000 Class C Notes Composed of 2,000,000 Preference Shares and 3,000,000 Class C Notes Based on a 8 year auction call.

STRUCTURE

E*TRADE ABS CDO III, Ltd. Issuer:

Investment Advisor: E*TRADE Global Asset Management, Inc Anticipated Closing Date: December 22, 2004
Coupon Payment Dates: Quarterly, beginning in April 10, 2005

None. It is expected that 100% of the Collateral Portfolio will be purchased or identified at closing. Ramp-Up Period:

Non-Call Period:

"RAPID" Features: I. Principal amortization will be used to pay down the Notes on a sequential basis

II. Until the Class C Notes are fully paid down, the Preference Shares will be capped at a per annum dividend yield of 16.0% and the excess cashflows will be used to pay down the Class C Notes.

Mandatory Auction Call: 8 years

COVERAGE TESTS

	O/C Tests	Initial O/C	I/C Tests	Initial I/C
Class B	103.25%	108.4%	110.0%	142.1%
Class C	101.40%	103.5%	105.0%	130.4%

FEES AND EXPENSES (1)

Senior Management Fee: 25.0 bps per annum Subordinated Management Fee: 20.0 bps per annum Trustee Fees: 1.75 bps per annum Administrative Expenses: 4.0 bps per annum

(1) Includes certain up-front closing fees associated with this transaction, including Merrill Lynch structuring and placement fees, legal, agency, and other fees

COLLATERAL CHARACTERISTICS

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•	Weighted Average Coupon	5.22%	•	Weighted Average Spread	2.15%
•	Maximum WARF ⁽²⁾	340	•	Maximum Single Issuer Concentration	2.0%
•	Minimum Diversity Score	15	•	Expected Fixed Collateral	18.0%
	Maximum Single Servicer Concentration (3)	7 50%	•	Minimum Public Rating at Initial Purchase	Baa3

- (2) For purposes of calculating the Moody's rating factor, any Collateral Obligation that has been placed and remains on positive/negative credit watch will be deemed to have a Moody's rating of the next higher/lower rating subcategory respectively.
 (3) With some exceptions (See E*Trade ABS CDO III Offering Circular).

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Why Invest in Structured Finance Securities?

Structured Finance Securities (including ABS, RMBS and CMBS) have historically exhibited lower default rates, higher recovery upon default and better rating stability than comparably rated corporate bonds. Consequently, CDOs consisting of Structured Finance Securities have outperformed other

- Types.

 According to a recent Moody's study, the long-term historical average (1983–2003) of unchanged ratings of Structured Finance Securities and CDOs was 92.3%, which compares favorably to the 76.6% average of unchanged ratings of corporate bonds for the same period. (4)
- Structured Finance Securities have historically had an average recovery rate higher than that of corporate bonds.
 - Moody's Investors Service, "Structured Finance Rating Transitions: 1983-2003", February 2004. Moody's Investor Service, "Payment Defauts and Material Impairments of U.S. Structured Finance Securities: 1982-2002", December 2003. Moody's Investors Service, "Default & Recovery Rates of Corporate Bond Issuers", January 2004.

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REPRESENTATIVE PORTFOLIO*

About E*TRADE Global Asset Management, Inc. (1)

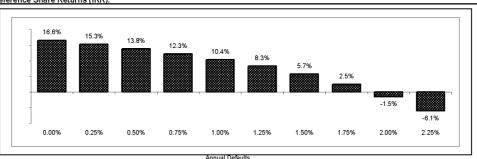
- Incorporated in 1996 and headquartered in New York, E*TRADE Financial (NYSE: ET) is a diversified financial services holding company

 - 1) E*TRADE Securities LLC a leading online brokerage company;
 2) ETB Holdings, Inc.– incorporates E*TRADE Bank, the 9th largest Federally-Chartered savings bank in the U.S., and E*TRADE Global Asset Management ($^{\circ}$ ETGAM"), an exclusive asset manager for E*TRADE Bank with \$24 billion assets under management.
- $E^{\star}TRADE\ Financial\ offers\ value\ to\ its\ customers\ by\ using\ technology\ to\ provide\ brokerage,\ banking\ and\ lending\ products\ primarily$ through electronic delivery channels.
- Provider of financial services to retail, corporate and institutional customers.

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CORPORATE: Employee stock plan administration, as well as market-making and clearing services to brokerage firms INSTITUTIONAL: Broad range of brokerage products and services, including cross-border trading and third party independent research.
(1) Source: E*TRADE Global Asset Management, Inc. Information as of September 30, 2004.

Preference Share Returns (IRR):



BREAKEVEN DEFAULT RATES (6)(7)	Based on a B	reak in Yield	Based on 0% Yield		
Class Description (Moody's/S&P/Fitch)	Annual Default Rate	Cumulative Gross Defaults	Annual Default Rate	Cumulative Gross Defaults	
Class A-1 First Priority Senior Floating Rate Notes (Aaa/AAA/AAA)	26.3%	72.3%	37.4%	82.1%	
Class A-2 Second Priority Senior Floating Rate Notes (Aaa/AAA/AAA)	14.4%	52.5%	18.4%	60.7%	
Class B Third Priority Senior Floating Rate Notes (Aa2/AA/AA)	6.3%	28.6%	9.6%	39.8%	
Class C Fourth Priority Mezzanine Floating Rate Notes (Baa2/BBB/BBB)	3.3%	16.7%	4.7%	22.4%	

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