Bank of New York Mellon CORP Form 424B2 July 14, 2008 Filed under Rule 424 (b)(2) Registration Statement File Numbers 333-144261, 333-144261-01, 333-144261-02, 333-144261-03, 333-144261-04, 333-144261-05, 333-144261-06 and 333-144261-07 Pricing Supplement No. 55 Subject to Completion - dated July 14th, 2008 (To prospectus dated July 2, 2007 and prospectus supplement dated July 2, 2007) The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation [LOGO] The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation \$1,000,000,000 The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation CoreNotes (Registered Service Mark) _____ Aqqreqate Purchasing Proceeds Principal Price to Agent's CUSIP Before Number Amount Public(1) Discount(1) Expenses(1) _____ 0640P1SJ3 TBD 100% 2.00% 98.00% _____ _____ Interest Interest Stated Rate Per Payment Maturity Survivor's Annum Frequency Date Option _____ 5.900% Semi-Annual 7/17/2023 Yes _____ Senior Subordinated Medium-Term Notes Series I Interest Payment Dates: The 15th day of January and July of each year commencing 01/15/2009. Redemption Information: Redeemable at the option of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation on 07/15/2011 and each Interest Payment Date thereafter, at a price equal to 100% on 30 calendar days notice. _____ Aggregate Purchasing Proceeds Agent's Before Principal Price to Agent's CUSIP Before Number Public(1) Discount(1) Expenses(1) Amount _____ 0640P1SK0 TBD 100% 2.50% 97.50% _____ Interest Interest Stated Rate Per Payment Maturity Annum Frequency Date Survivor's Option

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6.050% Semi-Annual 7/15/2033 Yes _____ Senior Subordinated Medium-Term Notes Series I Interest Payment Dates: The 15th day of January and July of each year commencing 01/15/2009. Redemption Information: Redeemable at the option of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation on 07/15/2013 and each Interest Payment Date thereafter, at a price equal to 100% on 30 calendar days notice. _____ The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation One Wall Street New York, New York 10286 Trade Date: 07/18/2008 Issue Date: 07/23/2008 Minimum Denominations/Increments: \$1,000/\$1,000 Original Issue Discount: No All trades settle without accrued interest and clear SDFS: DTC Book-Entry only Merrill Lynch DTC Participant Number: 161

The defeasance and covenant defeasance provisions of the Senior Indenture and the Senior Subordinated Indenture described under "Description of Senior Debt Securities and Senior Subordinated Debt Securities-Debt Securities Issued by the Company under the BNY Senior Indenture or the BNY Senior Subordinated Indenture-Legal Defeasance and Covenant Defeasance" in the Prospectus will apply to the Senior and Senior Subordinated Notes respectively.

(1) Expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount

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Merrill Lynch & Co. Purchasing Agent Acting as Principal