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## CONNECTICUT TREASURY PLANS TO ISSUE \$400 MILLION IN GENERAL OBLIGATION REVENUE BONDS THIS MONTH

Issue to benefit local school construction, Connecticut Convention Center, Adriaen's Landing, UConn football stadium

Connecticut State Treasurer Denise L. Nappier announced today that the State expects to sell approximately \$400 million of General Obligation new money bonds and additional refunding bonds (if market conditions warrant) the week of June 18, 2001.

The tax-exempt fixed rate bonds will be structured over 20 years with level principal payments and are expected to be rated Aa2/AA/AA. The proceeds of the issue will be used for a variety of State grant programs such as local school construction and infrastructure and, in part, for the Connecticut Convention Center and Adriaen's Landing in downtown Hartford and for the University of Connecticut football stadium being built in East Hartford.

The sale will be preceded by a retail order period beginning June 15, 2001.

Morgan Stanley Dean Witter will be the bookrunning senior manager and Bear, Stearns & Co., Inc, Belle Haven Investments, L.P., RBC Dain Rauscher Wessels and Siebert Brandford Shank & Co., L.L.C. will serve as co-senior managers. P.G. Corbin & Company, Inc. is the State's financial advisor. Day, Berry & Howard is Disclosure Counsel for the State and Hunton & Williams is Tax Counsel.