For immediate release, New York, November 9, 2009- On Monday, November 9, 2009, the Board of Directors of each of Dreyfus Strategic Municipals, Inc. (NYSE:LEO) and Dreyfus Strategic Municipal Bond Fund, Inc. (NYSE:DSM) authorized each Fund to redeem up to 25 percent of its auction rate preferred stock ("ARPS"), subject to market, regulatory and other conditions and factors. It is currently anticipated that, upon redemption, the leverage provided by the ARPS would be replaced through the creation of tender option bonds ("TOBs"). The timing and amount for such redemptions and refinancing of the ARPS could occur within approximately a 12-month period, but will be determined by the availability of acceptable terms on the TOBs, market, regulatory and other factors, and Fund management is not certain when, or if, such amount will be redeemed and refinanced. Before any such redemption of the ARPS, each Fund would issue a notice containing specific details regarding the redemption, which would include a press release that also would be placed on the Dreyfus website.

The ability of each Fund to utilize TOBs is based, in part, on the eligibility of its underlying municipal bonds for TOB programs. The extent to which each Fund is able to use TOBs to redeem ARPS depends on market conditions, the Fund's portfolio composition, the cost of liquidity and the willingness of liquidity providers to support TOBs, among other factors. The TOB structure is less permanent than ARPS since TOBs may be unwound upon the occurrence of certain events, such as a failed remarketing of the TOB securities, and there is no certainty that TOB financing will be available in the future. Each Fund currently has, or previously has used, TOBs in its portfolio separate and apart from the leverage created by the ARPS.

Dreyfus Municipal Income, Inc. (NYX:DMF) announced a similar authorization with respect to its ARPS on November 2, 2009.

Additional information relating to this matter can be accessed at http://www.dreyfus.com/ars.
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