



# NEWSFLASH!

## Rice Financial Outperforms All Other Co-Managers in \$483 Million DART Transaction



On February 4, 2016, Rice Financial Products Company served as a co-managing underwriter on a \$482 million Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bond issue for Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART). The underwriting syndicate for the transaction consisted of a leading bulge bracket firm acting as senior manager, 3 co-senior managers, and 9 co-managers that were a mix of regional and national firms.

With group net as the highest priority, **Rice Financial generated the most priority orders of all the co-managers.** In fact, Rice's priority orders doubled those of the second highest co-manager, a leading bulge bracket firm.

Rice Financial Products Company is an investment banking firm founded in 1993. The firm provides financial solutions to municipalities and higher education issuers in underwriting and fixed income brokerage. In 2015, Rice Financial served as a managing underwriter on issues totaling \$37.6 billion, earning a 17th place ranking nationally.

Rice Financial acquired Texas-based Apex Securities in 1998. Over the years, the firm has provided underwriting services on more than 500 municipal bond transactions in Texas, totaling \$64.2 billion.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED FEBRUARY 4, 2016



Ratings:  
S&P: AA+  
Moody's: Aa2

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In the opinions of Co-Bond Counsel, under existing law interest on the Series 2016A Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and the Series 2016A Bonds are not "private activity bonds." See "TAX MATTERS" herein for a discussion of the opinions of Co-Bond Counsel regarding the Series 2016A Bonds, including a description of alternative minimum tax consequences for corporations.

\$482,530,000  
Dallas Area Rapid Transit  
Senior Lien Sales Tax  
Revenue Refunding Bonds,  
Series 2016A

Dated: Date of Delivery

Due: December 1, as shown on inside cover

This Supplemental Official Statement supplements our Annual Disclosure Statement for the Period Ended September 30, 2014 (the "2014 Annual Disclosure Statement"), dated February 24, 2015 (attached as Appendix B). Collectively, these documents constitute the Official Statement for the Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016A offered hereby and are referred to herein collectively as the or this "Official Statement." The 2014 Annual Disclosure Statement and this Supplemental Official Statement have been filed as public records with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board and are posted on our website at <http://www.dart.org>.

**The Bonds** - Dallas Area Rapid Transit ("DART" or the "Issuer") is issuing \$482,530,000 in principal amount of our Dallas Area Rapid Transit Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016A (the "2016A Bonds" or the "Bonds"). Proceeds of the Bonds, together with other funds of DART, will be used to refund all or a portion of the Issuer's Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds described in Schedule I (the "Refunded Bonds") and to pay some or all of the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

You should carefully consider the investment considerations beginning on page S-15 of this Supplemental Official Statement and on page 19 of the 2014 Annual Disclosure Statement.

**Security for the Bonds - Lien Ranking** - As authorized under the provisions of our Master Debt Resolution, adopted January 23, 2001 (as amended and supplemented from time to time, the "Master Debt Resolution"), we have previously issued various series of our Senior Lien Obligations of which \$3,374,250,000 are currently outstanding. The Bonds are being issued, subject to certain conditions described in the Master Debt Resolution, as Additional Senior Lien Obligations under the Master Debt Resolution on a parity with the outstanding Senior Lien Obligations and any other Additional Senior Lien Obligations that are subsequently issued. See "THE BONDS-Compliance with Financial Tests for the Issuance of Additional Senior Lien Obligations." The Bonds are payable from and are secured by a first lien on the (i) Gross Sales Tax Revenues, (ii) Pledged Farebox Revenues, (iii) Federal Interest Subsidy payments that are deposited to the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund and (iv) investment earnings credited to the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund. See the 2014 Annual Disclosure Statement, "OUTSTANDING OBLIGATIONS AND OUR FINANCING PLANS—Security for the Obligations—Flow of Funds."

**Delivery, Legality** - The Bonds are offered, when, as and if issued by DART and accepted by the Underwriters, subject, among other things, to the approving opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Texas as to legality and the approving opinions of Bracewell LLP, Dallas, Texas and West & Associates L.L.P., Dallas, Texas ("Co-Bond Counsel"). Certain legal matters will be passed on for the Underwriters by their co-counsel, Andrews Kurth, LLP, Dallas, Texas and Escamilla & Ponck LLP, Dallas, Texas ("Co-Underwriters' Counsel"). Delivery of the Bonds is expected through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") on or about February 18, 2016.

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Source: Thomson Reuters SDC Platinum, full credit to each manager. 2015 ranking based on dollar volume.

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