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May 24, 2005

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Board of Supervisors
County of Ventura
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SUBJECT: REPORT OF INVESTMENTS FOR THE MONTH ENDING APRIL 30, 2005,
INCLUDING MARKET VALUES FOR ALL INVESTMENTS FOR THE MONTH

RECOMMENDATION: Discuss and File

FISCAL/MANDATES IMPACT: None

DISCUSSION:

The average daily portfolio balance for the month of April amounted to \$1.6 billion. The portfolio yield for the month of April was 2.77%. The weighted average days to maturity decreased 6 days to 240 days. The total net monthly earnings were \$3.7 million. The portfolio has been structured to satisfy the anticipated cash flow needs of the participants. The investment practices and portfolio holdings are in compliance with the investment policy.

The economy began to show signs of a slowing in the rate of growth during the month of April. Economic reports released during the month reflected modestly weaker data than had been reported during the first quarter of 2005. The markets have prepared themselves for an expected further increase in the Federal Funds rate in early May.

In preparation for the meeting of the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC), the Feds policy-making body, the staff of the Fed prepared the review of overall economic conditions in the U.S. called the 'Beige Book'. In the report, the staff noted that the following conditions were observed:

- Business activity continued to expand.
- Half of the areas reflected that retail activity was up, from modestly to strongly, while the other half showed consumer spending to be subdued.
- Manufacturing activity was ahead of year-earlier levels.
- Residential real estate markets remained strong across the country, while commercial real estate conditions were varied.
- Price pressures have intensified with high or rising energy prices a concern.

The economic data that was released during the month showed a similar mixed pattern. The unemployment rate dropped back down to 5.2%, though non-farm payrolls increased by only

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110,000 jobs. Housing starts dropped sharply, while home sales continued at a very brisk pace. Orders for durable goods were down, while construction spending and factory orders both rose. The consumer sentiment data showed a decline from the relatively strong reports earlier in the year. On the inflation front, we have finally begun to see energy prices showing up in the data as Producer Prices and Consumer Prices were up 0.7% and 0.6% respectively. Finally, the Gross Domestic Product, the widest measure of economic activity, came in at 3.1% for the first quarter, making it the slowest growth rate in a year, while the Price Deflator, the broadest measure of inflation was 3.2%, one of the highest rates reported in a year.

The capital markets have continued to mark time. Short-term interest rates have continued to drift higher in anticipation of the Feds rate increase. Long-term rates, on the other hand, have headed lower, largely due to an expectation that the Federal Reserves rate increases will keep inflation concerns in check and also due to the signs of weakening in the rate of economic activity. Since the beginning of the year the spread between the Treasury two-year note and the Treasury thirty-year bond has fallen from about 170 basis points to under 90 basis points.

Given the current interest rate environment, we anticipate the County's yield to increase modestly. Further, we continue to seek investment opportunities in order to optimize earnings (U.S. Treasury Market graph attached).

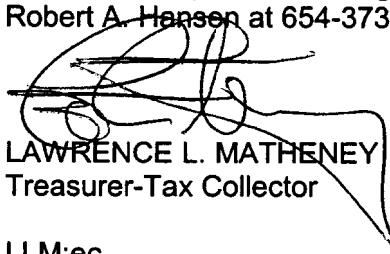
Attached is a listing of market values provided by our custodian, Wells Fargo Bank, for all investments for the month ending April 30, 2005. GASB Statement No. 31 states that variances between the cost of investments and the fair value of investments shall not be considered budgetary resources or uses of resources unless the value of investments is permanently impaired because of decreased issuer creditworthiness or it is determined that the Treasurer is unable to hold investments to maturity.

The following is a list of attached graphs:

- Portfolio Average Monthly Balance
- Average Portfolio Maturity
- Balance Yield Comparison by Month
- Portfolio Holdings by Instrument Type
- Yield Curve, U.S. Treasury Market
- Maturity Distribution

This letter has been reviewed by the CEO, the Auditor-Controller, and County Counsel.

If you have any questions regarding this item, please call Chief Investment Officer Robert A. Hansen at 654-3733.


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Attachments

WELLS FARGO

Investments by ICC Code

COUNTY OF VENTURA

ACCOUNT: All Accounts Selected

General Reporting - Maturity Date
 From Month End 04/30/2005
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Asset Description 1 & 2

		Maturity Date	Asset ID	Market Value	Market Price	Unrealized Gain Unrealized Loss
				Fed Tax Cost	Units	
U.S. DOLLARS				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.0000
AMERICAN EXP CRT CPDN DTD 03/02/05 05/04/2005	05/04/2005			\$7,472,500.00		\$7,498,800.00
CITICORP CPDN DTD 03/04/05 05/04/2005	05/04/2005			\$106,184,720.00		\$106,442,960.00
FED HOME LN BK DISC NOTE DTD 05/10/04 05/04/2005	05/04/2005			\$49,877,625.00		\$49,990,000.00
GENERAL ELECTRIC CO CPDN DTD 04/01/05 05/04/2005	05/04/2005			\$49,873,500.00		\$49,992,000.00
GENERAL ELEC CAP CORP CPDN DTD 09/03/04 05/05/2005	05/05/2005			\$35,906,160.00		\$35,991,360.00
GENERAL ELEC CAP CORP CPDN DTD 08/10/04 05/06/2005	05/06/2005			\$10,500,000.00		\$10,496,535.00
AIG FDG INC CPDN DTD 02/07/05 05/09/2005	05/09/2005			\$10,493,977.08		\$10,493,000.00
AMERICAN EXP CRT CPDN DTD 01/28/05 05/09/2005	05/09/2005			\$10,491,500.00		\$10,493,000.00
FED NATL MTG ASSN DISC NOTE DTD 05/14/04 05/09/2005	05/09/2005			\$91,694,376.67		\$91,943,000.00
AIG FDG INC CPDN DTD 02/09/05 05/10/2005	05/10/2005			\$39,875,000.00		\$39,900,000.00
GENERAL ELEC CAP CORP CPDN DTD 08/16/04 05/10/2005	05/10/2005			\$49,821,111.11		\$49,957,000.00
FED HOME LN BK DISC NOTE DTD 05/17/04 05/11/2005	05/11/2005			\$2,980,000.00		\$2,985,140.00
TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CO CPDN DTD 12/21/04 05/11/2005	05/11/2005			\$22,453,100.00		\$22,484,250.00
CITICORP CPDN DTD 02/14/05 05/12/2005	05/12/2005			\$70,947,460.00		\$99,926,000.00
GENERAL ELEC CAP CORP CPDN DTD 11/15/04 05/12/2005	05/12/2005			\$23,943,000.00		\$23,980,320.00
TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORP CPDN DTD 02/11/05 05/12/2005	05/12/2005			\$6,966,485.56		\$6,994,260.00
AIG FDG INC CPDN DTD 11/16/04 05/13/2005	05/13/2005			\$49,824,375.00		\$49,959,000.00
FED HOME LN MTG CORP DISC NOTE DTD 05/18/04 05/18/2005	05/18/2005			\$29,960,533.33		\$29,973,000.00
GENERAL TELE CAPT CORP CPDN DTD 11/22/04 05/23/2005	05/23/2005			\$49,753,347.22		\$49,940,000.00
SANTA BARBARA BANK	MS 1291157	05/28/2005		\$1,990,080.90		\$1,996,540.00
GENERAL TELE CAPT CORP CPDN DTD 09/03/04 05/31/2005	05/31/2005			\$100,000.00		\$100,000.00
GENERAL TELE CAPT CORP DISC PROM NOTE DTD 09/17/04 06/14/2005	06/14/2005			\$11,934,040.00		\$11,971,080.00
GENERAL TELE CAPT CORP CPDN DTD 10/04/04 06/30/2005	06/30/2005			\$1,990,066.67		\$1,992,840.00
GENERAL TELE CAPT CORP CPDN DTD 10/04/04 07/01/2005	07/01/2005			\$8,947,675.00		\$8,955,270.00
GENERAL ELECTRIC CO CPDN DTD 04/06/05 07/01/2005	07/01/2005			\$5,963,246.67		\$5,969,700.00
FED HOME LN BK TRANCHE # TR0463	3133XTV6	07/12/2005		\$6,954,651.67		\$6,954,650.00
FED HOME LN MTG CORP DISC NOTE DTD 07/19/04 07/19/2005	3133JRH5	07/19/2005		\$15,000,000.00		\$14,967,150.00
FED HOME LN BK DTD 08/01/03 11/30/05	3133XO96	08/15/2005		\$16,876,384.44		\$16,882,900.00
FED FARM CREDIT BK DTD 08/01/03 2.150 01/03/2006	3133MTL7	08/15/2005		\$26,300,000.00		\$26,367,155.00
FED NATL MTG ASSN DTD 08/22/03 1.875 09/15/2005	3133MTD9	09/12/2005		\$20,000,000.00		\$19,918,800.00
FED FARM CREDIT BK DTD 09/12/03 2.000 09/12/2005	3133MTB9	09/15/2005		\$19,881,400.00		\$19,900,000.00
FED FARM CREDIT BK DTD 09/13/03 2.010 09/21/2005	3133MTB9	09/21/2005		\$100,000.00		\$100,000.00
FED FARM CREDIT BK DTD 09/17/03 2.150 10/17/2005	3133MTD1	10/17/2005		\$12,000,000.00		\$11,940,000.00
FED HOME LN BK SER 8105 DTD 11/05/02 2.500 11/15/2005	3133MTL8	11/15/2005		\$10,000,000.00		\$10,063,400.00
FED HOME LN BK SER 4505 DTD 06/05/03 1.960 12/05/2005	3133MTL8	12/05/2005		\$10,000,000.00		\$9,944,400.00
FED FARM CREDIT BK DTD 12/01/03 2.150 01/03/2006	3133MTL8	01/03/2006		\$25,000,000.00		\$25,000,000.00
FED NATL MTG ASSN DTD 07/30/03 2.180 01/30/2006	3133MTS8	01/30/2006		\$10,000,000.00		\$10,000,000.00
FED NATL MTG ASSN DTD 02/23/03 5.500 02/15/2006	3133MTS8	02/15/2006		\$23,000,000.00		\$23,397,300.00
FED HOME LN BK DTD 01/21/03 2.500 03/15/2006	3133MVK2	03/15/2006		\$10,000,000.00		\$10,060,000.00
FED FARM CREDIT BK DTD 01/15/03 2.500 03/15/2006	3133MVK2	03/15/2006		\$14,000,000.00		\$13,999,720.00
FED NATL MTG ASSN DTD 09/29/03 2.340 03/29/2006	3133MVK5	03/29/2006		\$20,000,000.00		\$19,012,500.00
FED FARM CREDIT BK DTD 04/15/03 2.250 05/15/2006	3133MVK8	05/15/2006		\$25,000,000.00		\$24,640,750.00
FED HOME LN BK SER 4906 DTD 05/05/03 2.125 05/15/2006	3133MYRT6	05/15/2006		\$19,000,000.00		\$18,911,418.29
FED HOME LN BK DTD 05/05/04 2.500	3133X73E2	05/15/2006		\$5,000,000.00		\$4,982,800.00
FED HOME LN BK SER 1706 DTD 05/19/2003 2.550	3133MYL54	05/19/2006		4,000,000.00		\$3,986,920.00
FED HOME LN BK DTD 08/26/03 2.490 05/26/2006	3133XQGD5	05/26/2006		\$20,000,000.00		\$19,000,000.00
FED HOME LN BK DTD 05/22/03 1.875 06/15/2006	3133XQAZ7	06/15/2006		\$15,000,000.00		\$14,879,926.22
FED NATL MTG ASSN DTD 04/23/04 2.500 06/15/2006	3133MYR76	06/15/2006		\$50,000,000.00		\$49,682,600.00
FED NATL MTG ASSN DTD 06/27/03 2.100 06/26/2006	3133X73E6	06/27/2006		\$18,000,000.00		\$17,814,600.00
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FED HOME LN BK DTD 07/22/03 2.080 07/28/2006	3133YYP48	07/28/2006		\$20,000,000.00		\$19,666,200.00
FED HOME LN BK DTD 07/24/03 2.375 08/15/2006	3133X14N4	09/15/2006		\$20,000,000.00		\$19,967,369.58
FED HOME LN BK DTD 09/08/03 2.875 09/15/2006	3133X14N4	10/02/2006		\$20,000,000.00		\$19,407,600.00
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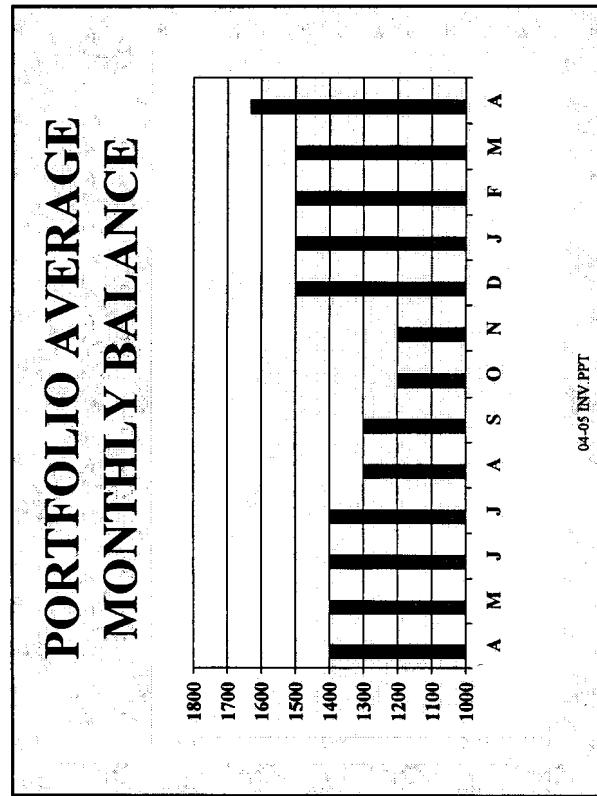
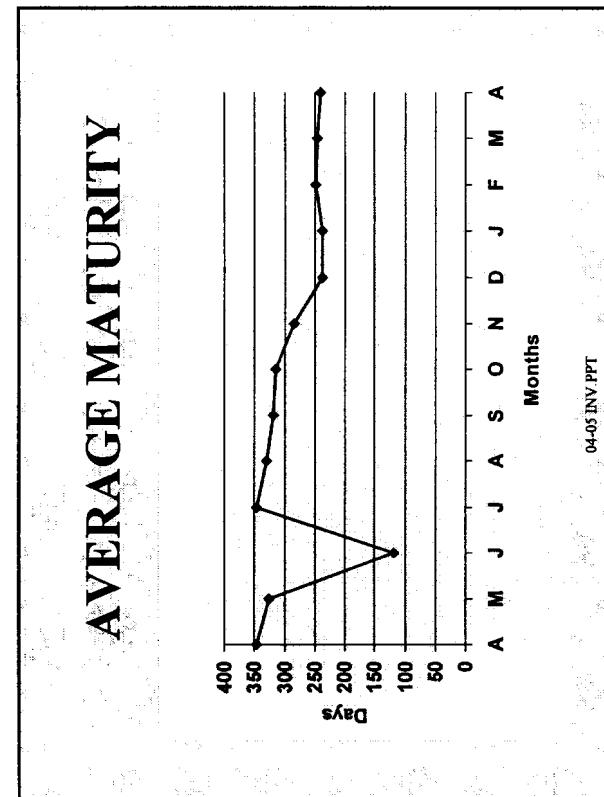
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Investments by ICC Code

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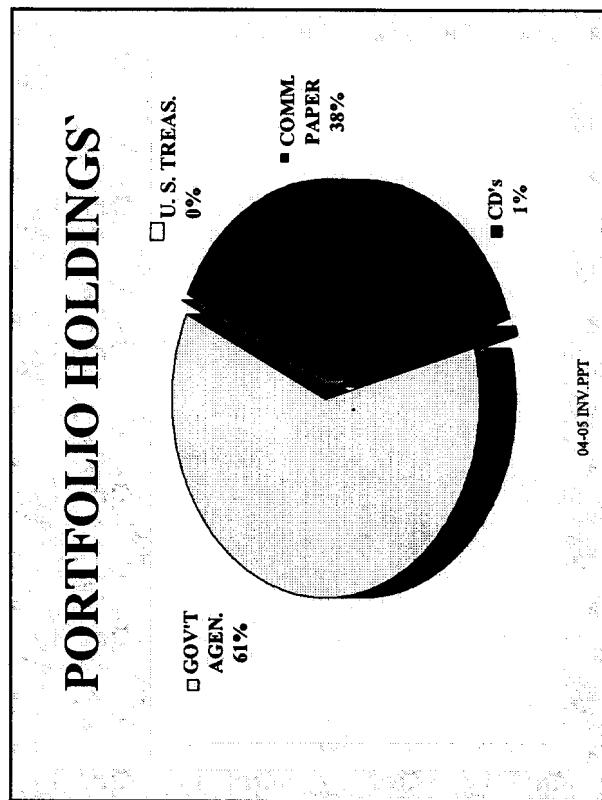
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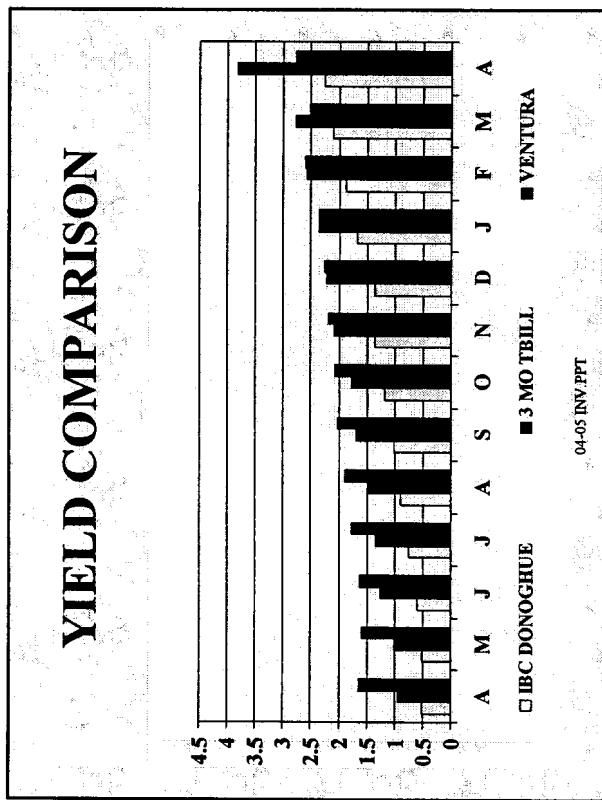
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FED FARM CREDIT BK DTD 10/30/03 2.650 10/30/2006	31331TJH5	10/30/2006	20,000,000.0000	\$20,000,000.00	\$19,668,800.00	98.344000	(331,200.0000)
FED HOME LN BK DTD 11/05/03 2.750 11/15/2006	3133XZB46	11/15/2006	20,000,000.0000	\$20,185,000.00	\$19,687,600.00	98.438000	(497,400.0000)
FED NATL MTG ASSN DTD 10/24/03 2.625 11/15/2006	31359MTN3	11/15/2006	10,000,000.0000	\$9,987,000.00	\$9,825,000.00	98.250000	(162,000.0000)
FED NATL MTG ASSN DTD 05/21/03 2.750 11/21/2006	3136FJRB4	11/21/2006	15,000,000.0000	\$15,047,291.27	\$14,755,700.00	98.438000	(281,597.2700)
FED HOME LN MTG CORP MED TERM NOTE DTD 06/18/03 2.250 12/18/2006	3128XIKH9	12/18/2006	3,500,000.0000	\$3,422,344.38	\$3,413,165.00	97.519000	(9,179,3800)
FED HOME LN MTG CORP MED TERM NOTE DTD 12/18/2006	31331TNG2	12/18/2006	15,000,000.0000	\$15,056,350.00	\$14,732,850.00	98.219000	(324,000.0000)
FED HOME LN MTG CORP MED TERM NOTE DTD 06/29/03 2.100 12/26/2006	3136FJYX8	12/26/2006	17,000,000.0000	\$16,831,710.66	\$16,532,500.00	97.250000	(299,210,6600)
FED NATL MTG ASSN DTD 06/29/03 2.100 01/02/2007	3128X1Q19	01/02/2007	14,000,000.0000	\$13,639,360.00	\$13,608,560.00	97.204000	(30,800.0000)
FED HOME LN MTG CORP MED TERM NOTE DTD 07/02/03 2.100 01/02/2007	31331SLD3	01/05/2007	10,000,000.0000	\$10,005,660.00	\$9,925,900.00	99.250000	(80,600.0000)
FED FARM CREDIT BK DTD 01/05/03 3.375 01/05/2007	3128X2LS2	01/19/2007	15,000,000.0000	\$14,865,038.70	\$14,798,400.00	98.656000	(66,638,7000)
FED HOME LN MTG CORP TRANCHE # TR 00257 DTD 01/20/04 3.050 01/19/2007	3133MW2K6	02/15/2007	50,000,000.0000	\$50,506,148.14	\$49,140,500.00	98.281000	(1,365,648,1400)
FED HOME LN BK SER T307 DTD 02/06/03 2.875 02/15/2007	3133XAN60	02/15/2007	25,000,000.0000	\$24,810,000.00	\$24,797,000.00	99.188000	(13,000,0000)
FED HOME LN BK DTD 02/03/03 3.375 02/15/2007	3136FJ6R0	02/26/2007	17,000,000.0000	\$16,667,310.00	\$16,745,000.00	98.500000	77,690,0000
FED NATL MTG ASSN DTD 02/26/04 3.000 02/26/2007	31331TD24	04/16/2007	8,300,000.0000	\$8,249,908.93	\$8,087,354.00	97.438000	(162,554,9300)
FED FARM CREDIT BK DTD 04/16/04 2.550 04/16/2007	3133XAY10	05/15/2007	50,000,000.0000	\$49,743,250.00	\$49,844,000.00	99.688000	100,750,0000
FED HOME LN BK DTD 03/01/05 3.750 05/15/2007	31339XKCZ6	06/19/2007	4,000,000.0000	\$3,863,080.00	\$3,877,520.00	14,446,0000	(159,250,0000)
FED NATL MTG ASSN DTD 08/20/04 3.000 08/15/2007	31359MWBS5	08/15/2007	25,000,000.0000	\$24,643,750.00	\$24,484,500.00	97.938000	(159,250,0000)
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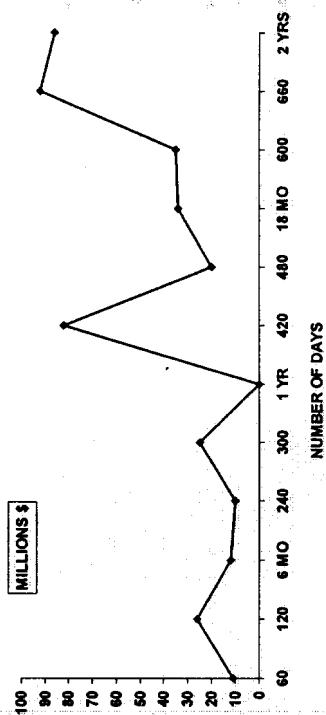
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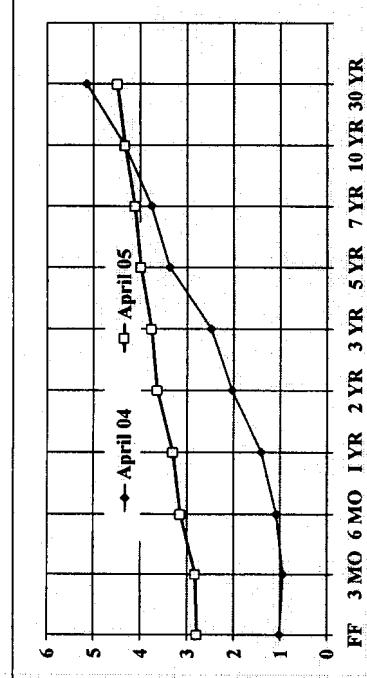


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