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Bank Bonds To Push May Issuance Above \$100B

NEW YORK (Dow Jones)--May has record breaking potential.

New debt issuance in the investment-grade corporate-bond market could top \$100 billion by month's end, as an expected flurry of fundraising from financial institutions fuels bond sales, according to syndicate managers at several New York-based dealers.

Morgan Stanley (MS) and Bank of America Corp. (BAC) have come into the market already with a combined \$7 billion in securities - a day after the results of the government's stress tests showed they needed to boost capital.

Financial institutions that want to pay back funds received under the Troubled Asset Relief Program, or TARP, will also need tap the market for debt that isn't backed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp in order to prove they don't need government support.

"A wave of issuance is coming from the banks," according to Tim Doubek, investment grade sector manager at RiverSource Investments. "Banks are clearly wanting to now establish the ability to issue and start individual public relations campaigns to pay back TARP," he said.

Successful bond deals translate to a boost in investor confidence that the institutions may just be able to survive the recession, and get back to the fundamental business of lending.

Goldman Sachs Group Inc. (GS) has already sold \$4 billion of non-guaranteed bonds already this year. And Bank of NY Mellon Corp. (BK) has also stepped out from under the umbrella of government protection with its \$1.5 billion bond sale earlier this week.

On Friday, Morgan Stanley sold \$4 billion in new corporate bonds, with \$2 billion coming at a yield of 7.333%, offering a risk premium of 400 basis points over Treasurys, a moderate 35 basis points jump compared to the bank's non-FDIC outstanding debt.

And Bank of America sold \$3 billion of five-year notes at a risk premium of 537.5 basis points over Treasurys. Bank of America has been directed by the government to raise \$33.9 billion in capital.

Since November, financial institutions have relied on the government guarantee for the bulk of their bond sales. According to data provider Dealogic, \$60 billion of non-guaranteed financial bonds have been sold since November. But, nearly four times that amount, or \$247 billion, of FDIC-backed debt has been sold during the same time period.

The current record for high-grade monthly volume belongs to March 2009, with a total of \$136.25 billion worth of securities sold, according to Dealogic. May 2008 registers a close second, with a \$127.8 billion total.

And while bond supply may be fueled by financial firms, other companies are also aggressively selling bonds.

Hasbro Inc. (HAS) is selling five-year notes on Friday. That issue was increased in size and launched at the tight end of preliminary price guidance, indicating good demand from investors.