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Subject to completion, dated December 18, 2006

**Prudential Financial InterNotes®, Due One Year or More from Date of Issue**

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**Pricing Supplement Number 158 Dated [                      ]**

**(to Prospectus dated March 16, 2006 and Prospectus Supplement dated March 16, 2006)**

**Investors should read this pricing supplement in conjunction with the Prospectus and Prospectus Supplement.**

| CUSIP Number        | Aggregate        |               |                  | Net Proceeds | Coupon Type | Coupon Rate | Coupon Frequency | Maturity Date | 1 <sup>st</sup> |               | Survivor Option        | Product Ranking | Moody Rating | S & P Rating |
|---------------------|------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
|                     | Principal Amount | Selling Price | Gross Concession |              |             |             |                  |               | Coupon Date     | Coupon Amount |                        |                 |              |              |
| 74432ARS1 [       ] | 100.000%         | 1.200%        | [       ]        | FIXED        | 5.400%      | SEMI-ANNUAL | 12/15/2013       | 6/15/2007     | \$24.90         | YES           | Senior Unsecured Notes | A3              | A            |              |

**Redemption Information:** Callable at 100.000% on 12/15/2007 and every interest payment date thereafter.

**Joint Lead Managers and Lead Agents:** Banc of America Securities LLC, INCAPITAL, LLC **Agents:** A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc., Bear, Stearns & Co., Inc., Charles Schwab & Co. Inc., Citigroup, Edward D. Jones & Co., L.P., Fidelity Capital Markets Services, Merrill Lynch & Co., Morgan Stanley, Ramirez & Co., Inc., Raymond James & Associates, Inc., RBC Dain Rauscher Inc., Muriel Siebert & Co., Inc., UBS Securities LLC, Wachovia Securities, LLC

The Prudential Financial, Inc. InterNotes will be subject to redemption at the option of Prudential Financial, Inc., in whole on the interest payment date occurring any time on or after 12/15/2007 at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Prudential Financial, Inc. InterNotes, plus accrued interest thereon, if any, upon at least 30 days prior notice to the noteholder and the trustee, as described in the prospectus.

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|                     | Principal Amount | Selling Price | Gross Concession |              |             |             |                  |               | Coupon Date     | Coupon Amount |                        |                 |              |              |
| 74432ART9 [       ] | 100.000%         | 2.000%        | [       ]        | FIXED        | 5.750%      | SEMI-ANNUAL | 12/15/2021       | 6/15/2007     | \$26.51         | YES           | Senior Unsecured Notes | A3              | A            |              |

**Redemption Information:** Callable at 100.000% on 12/15/2009 and every interest payment date thereafter.

**Joint Lead Managers and Lead Agents:** Banc of America Securities LLC, INCAPITAL, LLC **Agents:** A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc., Bear, Stearns & Co., Inc., Charles Schwab & Co. Inc., Citigroup, Edward D. Jones & Co., L.P., Fidelity Capital Markets Services, Merrill Lynch & Co., Morgan Stanley, Ramirez & Co., Inc., Raymond James & Associates, Inc., RBC Dain Rauscher Inc., Muriel Siebert & Co., Inc., UBS Securities LLC, Wachovia Securities, LLC

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|--------------|------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|
|              | Principal Amount | Selling Price | Gross Concession |              |             |             |                  |               | Coupon Date     | Coupon Amount |                   |                        |                |              |
| 74432ARU6    | [ ]              | 100.000%      | 2.500%           | [ ]          | FIXED       | 5.850%      | SEMI-ANNUAL      | 12/15/2031    | 6/15/2007       | \$26.98       | YES               | Senior Unsecured Notes | A3             | A            |

**Redemption Information:** Callable at 100.000% on 12/15/2011 and every interest payment date thereafter.

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The Prudential Financial, Inc. InterNotes will be subject to redemption at the option of Prudential Financial, Inc., in whole on the interest payment date occurring any time on or after 12/15/2011 at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Prudential Financial, Inc. InterNotes, plus accrued interest thereon, if any, upon at least 30 days' prior notice to the noteholder and the trustee, as described in the prospectus.

Offering Dates: December 18, 2006 through December 26, 2006 Prudential Financial, Inc.

Trade Date: Tuesday, December 26, 2006 @ 12:00 PM ET \$2,500,000,000.00 Prudential Financial  
Retail Medium-Term Notes, including  
Prudential Financial InterNotes®

Prudential Financial, Inc. Settlement Date: Friday, December 29, 2006 Prospectus dated March 16, 2006 and the  
Prospectus Supplement dated March 16,  
2006

Minimum Denomination/Increments: \$1,000.00/\$1,000.00

Initial trades settle flat and clear SDFS: DTC Book Entry only

DTC number: 0235 via RBC Dain Rauscher Inc.

If the maturity date or an interest payment date for any note is not a Business Day (as defined in the Prospectus), principal, premium, if any, and interest for that note is paid on the next Business Day, and no interest will accrue from, and after, the maturity date or interest payment date.

The Prudential Financial, Inc. InterNotes will be represented by a master global note in fully registered form, without coupons. The master global note will be deposited with, or on behalf of, DTC and registered in the name of a nominee of DTC, as depository, or another depository as may be named in a subsequent pricing supplement.

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