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STATE STREET GLOBAL ADVISORS State Street Financial Center One Lincoln Street, 30th Floor Boston, MA 02111 **Access Code: XXXX** Mr. Sample A. Sample Company Address line 1 Address line 2 Town, XX 01234-5678 ...the economic outlook remains unusually uncertain. *Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke, testimony to Senate Banking Committee, July 21, 2010* Dear Sample A. Sample: As the market volatility and uncertainty of the past two years show few signs of letting up, one thing remains certain: the value of gold as a long-term investment in an unpredictable world. While gold has traditionally been viewed as a tactical investment for difficult times, a closer look reveals an asset class with attractive properties in any economic environment. **Plug in the enclosed gold USB drive to learn about gold's strategic, long-term use as a: Portfolio diversifier** with extremely low correlations to virtually every other asset class; few, if any, asset classes can match the diversification potential of gold¹ **Hedge against inflation** that has tended to retain its purchasing power when currencies crumble **Defense against dollar weakness** that, all other things being equal, has tended to rise in price when the dollar declines **Volatility hedge** that, historically, has been significantly less volatile than commodities overall **View *The Enduring Case for Gold* and our full spectrum of gold content today.** Access the link on the enclosed gold USB drive or visit statestreetspdrs.com/GOLD and enter your Access Code (above) to learn more about gold. Sincerely, Anthony R. Rochte, CIMA James E. Ross *Senior Managing Director, Senior Managing Director, State Street Global Advisors State Street Global Advisors*

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