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NOTICE OF
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
DECEMBER 7, 2007

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS:

The annual meeting of shareholders of Fort Dearborn Income Securities, Inc. (the "Fund") will be held on Friday, December 7, 2007 at 1:00 p.m., Central time, at One North Wacker Drive, 38th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60606 for the following purposes:

(1) To elect four (4) directors to serve until the annual meeting of shareholders in 2008, or until their successors are elected and qualified or until they resign or are otherwise removed; and

(2) To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

You are entitled to vote at the meeting and any adjournments thereof if you owned Fund shares at the close of business on October 12, 2007. If you attend the meeting, you may vote your shares in person. IF YOU DO NOT EXPECT TO ATTEND THE MEETING, PLEASE COMPLETE, DATE, SIGN AND RETURN THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD IN THE ENCLOSED POSTAGE PAID ENVELOPE.

By order of the Board of Directors,

MARK F. KEMPER
SECRETARY

November 16, 2007
One North Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60606

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT
NO MATTER HOW MANY SHARES YOU OWN

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR VOTING INSTRUCTIONS ON THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD, DATE AND SIGN IT, AND RETURN IT IN THE POSTAGE PAID ENVELOPE PROVIDED. IF YOU SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THE PROXY CARD BUT GIVE NO VOTING INSTRUCTIONS, YOUR SHARES WILL BE VOTED "FOR" THE NOMINEES FOR DIRECTOR NAMED IN THE ATTACHED PROXY STATEMENT AND, IN THE PROXIES' DISCRETION, EITHER "FOR" OR "AGAINST" ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY PROPERLY ARISE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING. IN ORDER TO AVOID THE ADDITIONAL EXPENSE TO THE FUND OF FURTHER SOLICITATION, WE ASK YOUR COOPERATION IN MAILING YOUR PROXY CARD PROMPTLY.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SIGNING PROXY CARDS

The following general guidelines for signing proxy cards may be of assistance to you and avoid the time and expense to the Fund in validating your

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vote if you fail to sign your proxy card properly.

1. INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS: Sign your name exactly as it appears in the registration on the proxy card.

2. JOINT ACCOUNTS: Either party may sign, but the name of the party signing should conform exactly to the name shown in the registration on the proxy card.

3. ALL OTHER ACCOUNTS: The capacity of the individual signing the proxy card should be indicated unless it is reflected in the form of registration. For example:

| REGISTRATION ----- | VALID SIGNATURE ----- |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Corporate Accounts | |
| (1) ABC Corp. | ABC Corp. John Doe, Treasurer |
| (2) ABC Corp. | John Doe, Treasurer |
| (3) ABC Corp. c/o John Doe, Treasurer | John Doe |
| (4) ABC Corp. Profit Sharing Plan | John Doe, Trustee |
| Partnership Accounts | |
| (1) The XYZ Partnership | Jane B. Smith, Partner |
| (2) Smith and Jones, Limited Partnership .. | Jane B. Smith, General Partner |
| Trust Accounts | |
| (1) ABC Trust Account | Jane B. Doe, Trustee |
| (2) Jane B. Doe, Trustee u/t/d 12/18/78 ... | Jane B. Doe |
| Custodial or Estate Accounts | |
| (1) John B. Smith, Cust. f/b/o John B. Smith, Jr. UGMA/UTMA | John B. Smith |
| (2) Estate of John B. Smith | John B. Smith, Jr., Executor |

FORT DEARBORN INCOME SECURITIES, INC.
ONE NORTH WACKER DRIVE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606

PROXY STATEMENT

ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON DECEMBER 7, 2007

This proxy statement is furnished to the shareholders of Fort Dearborn Income Securities, Inc. (the "Fund") in connection with the Board of Directors' solicitation of proxies to be used at the annual meeting of shareholders of the Fund to be held on December 7, 2007, at 1:00 p.m., Central time, at the principal executive offices of the Fund at One North Wacker Drive, 38th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60606, or any adjournment or adjournments thereof. This proxy statement and the related proxy card will first be mailed to shareholders on or about November 16, 2007.

A majority of the shares outstanding and entitled to vote on October 12,

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2007 represented in person or by proxy, must be present for the transaction of business at the meeting. In the event that a quorum is not present at the annual meeting, or if a quorum is present at the annual meeting but sufficient votes to approve any of the proposals are not received, shareholders present in person or the persons named as proxies may propose one or more adjournments of the annual meeting to permit further solicitation of proxies. Any such adjournment will require the affirmative vote of a majority of those shares represented at the annual meeting in person or by proxy. The persons named as proxies will vote those proxies which they are entitled to vote FOR any such proposal in favor of such an adjournment and will vote those proxies marked WITHHOLD on any such proposal against such adjournment. A shareholder vote may be taken on one or more of the proposals in this proxy statement prior to any such adjournment if sufficient votes have been received and it is otherwise appropriate.

Broker non-votes are shares held in street name for which the broker indicates that instructions have not been received from the beneficial owners or other persons entitled to vote and for which the broker does not have discretionary voting authority. Abstentions and broker non-votes will be counted as shares present for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present but will not be voted for or against any adjournment or proposal. Accordingly, abstentions and broker non-votes effectively will be a vote against adjournment but will have no effect on Proposal 1, for which the required vote is a plurality of the votes cast on the matter.

The individuals named as proxies on the enclosed proxy card will vote in accordance with your direction as indicated thereon if your proxy card is received properly executed by you or by your duly appointed agent or attorney-in-fact. If you give no voting instructions, your shares will be voted FOR the four nominees for director named herein and, in the proxies' discretion, either FOR or AGAINST any other business that may properly arise at the annual meeting. You may revoke any proxy card by giving another proxy or by submitting a written notice of revocation to the Fund's Secretary at UBS Global Asset Management (Americas) Inc., One North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606. To be effective, your revocation must be received by the Fund prior to the meeting and must indicate your name and account number. In addition, if you attend the annual meeting in person you may, if you wish, vote by ballot at the meeting, thereby cancelling any proxy previously given.

As of the record date, October 12, 2007, the Fund had 8,775,665 shares of common stock outstanding. The solicitation of proxies, the cost of which will be borne by the Fund, will be made primarily by mail but also may include telephone and oral communications by regular employees of UBS Global Asset Management (Americas) Inc. ("UBS Global AM"), who will not receive any compensation therefor from the Fund. Each full share of the Fund outstanding is entitled to one vote, and each fractional share of the Fund outstanding is entitled to a proportionate share of one vote.

UBS Global AM serves as the Fund's investment advisor. UBS Global AM is an indirect wholly owned asset management subsidiary of UBS AG. UBS AG is an internationally diversified organization with headquarters in Zurich and Basel, Switzerland. UBS AG operates in many areas of the financial services industry. The principal business offices of UBS Global AM are located at One North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606. The principal business address of UBS AG is Bahnhofstrasse 45, Zurich, Switzerland.

THE FUND IS SENDING TO SHAREHOLDERS, IN A SEPARATE MAILING, THE FUND'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2007. YOU MAY OBTAIN, WITHOUT CHARGE, ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE FUND'S ANNUAL REPORT AND SEMI-ANNUAL

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REPORT BY: (1) WRITTEN REQUEST TO: UBS GLOBAL ASSET MANAGEMENT (AMERICAS) INC.,
ATTN: MARK F. KEMPER, ONE NORTH WACKER DRIVE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606; OR (2)
CALLING THE FUND'S TOLL-FREE NUMBER: 1-800-647 1568.

PROPOSAL 1. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Proposal 1 relates to the election of directors of the Fund. Management proposes the election of the four nominees named in the table below. Each nominee has indicated his or her willingness to serve if elected. If elected, each nominee will hold office until the next annual meeting of shareholders or until his or her successor is elected and qualified, or until he or she resigns or is otherwise removed. Each of the nominees was last elected director at the Fund's December 2006 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Unless you give contrary instructions on the enclosed proxy card, your shares will be voted FOR the election of all four nominees. If any of the nominees should withdraw or otherwise become unavailable for election, your shares will be voted FOR such other nominee or nominees as management may recommend.

Directors, including those who are not "interested persons" of the Fund as that term is defined by the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended ("1940 Act") ("Independent Directors"), shall be elected by the affirmative vote of the holders of a plurality of the shares of the Fund cast in person or by proxy and entitled to vote thereon, provided a quorum is present. Proxies cannot be voted for a greater number of persons than the number of nominees named. None of the directors or nominees beneficially owned 1% or more of the Fund's common stock and none of the executive officers beneficially owned any shares of the Fund's common stock as of October 12, 2007. In addition, the directors and executive officers, as a group, beneficially owned less than 1% of the outstanding common stock of the Fund as of October 12, 2007.

Listed in the table below, for each nominee, is a brief description of the nominee's experience as a director of the Fund and as a director or trustee of other funds, as well as other recent professional experience.

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| NAME, ADDRESS, AND AGE | POSITION(S) HELD WITH FUND | LENGTH OF TIME SERVED | PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION(S) DURING PAST 5 YEARS | NUMBER OF PORTFOLIOS IN FUND COMPLEX OVERSEEN BY NOMINEE |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS: | | | | |
| Adela Cepeda; 49 A.C. Advisory, Inc. 161 No. Clark Street, Suite 4975 Chicago, IL 60601 | Director | Since 2000 | Ms. Cepeda is founder and president of A.C. Advisory, Inc. (since 1995). | Ms. Cepeda is a director or trustee of four investment companies (consisting of 58 portfolios) for which UBS Global AM or one of its affiliates serves as investment advisor, sub-advisor or |

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| <p>Frank K. Reilly; 71 Mendoza College of Business University of Notre Dame Notre Dame, IN 46556-5649</p> | <p>Chairman and Director</p> | <p>Since 1993</p> | <p>Mr. Reilly is a Professor at the University of Notre Dame since 1982.</p> | <p>manager. Mr. Reilly is a director or trustee of four investment companies (consisting of 58 portfolios), for which UBS Global AM or one of its affiliates serves as investment advisor, sub-advisor or manager.</p> |
| <p>Edward M. Roob; 73 841 Woodbine Lane Northbrook, IL 60002</p> | <p>Director</p> | <p>Since 1993</p> | <p>Mr. Roob is retired (since 1993).</p> | <p>Mr. Roob is a director or trustee of four investment companies (consisting of 58 portfolios), for which UBS Global AM or one of its affiliates serves as investment advisor, sub-advisor or manager.</p> |
| <p>J. Mikesell Thomas; 56 Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago 111 East Wacker Drive Chicago, Illinois 60601</p> | <p>Director</p> | <p>Since 2002</p> | <p>Mr. Thomas is President and CEO of Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago (since 2004). Mr. Thomas was an independent financial advisor (2001-2004).</p> | <p>Mr. Thomas is a director or trustee of four investment companies (consisting of 58 portfolios) for which UBS Global AM or one of its affiliates serves as investment advisor, sub-advisor or manager.</p> |

INFORMATION ABOUT NOMINEE OWNERSHIP OF FUND SHARES

| NOMINEE | DOLLAR RANGE OF EQUITY SECURITIES IN FUND + | AGGREGATE DOLLAR RANGE OF EQUITY SECURITIES REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANIES OVERSEEN BY FOR WHICH UBS GLOBAL AM OR AN AFFILIATE S INVESTMENT ADVISOR, SUB-ADVISOR OR MA |
|---|--|--|
| ----- | ----- | ----- |
| <p>INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS: Adela Cepeda Frank K. Reilly Edward M. Roob</p> | <p>\$10,001--\$50,000 \$50,001--\$100,000 Over \$100,000</p> | <p>\$10,001--\$50,000 Over \$100,000 Over \$100,000</p> |

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J. Mikesell Thomas

None

None

+ Information regarding ownership of shares of the Fund is as of October 12, 2007; information regarding ownership of shares in all registered investment companies overseen by nominee for which UBS Global AM or an affiliate serves as investment advisor, sub-advisor or manager is as of December 31, 2006.

As of December 31, 2006, the Independent Directors and their immediate family members did not own any securities issued by UBS Global AM or any company controlling, controlled by or under common control with UBS Global AM.

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Fund met seven times during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007. Each director attended 75% or more of the Board meetings during the last fiscal year. In addition, no directors attended less than 75% of the aggregate of the total number of meetings held by the Board and the total number of meetings held by all committees on which such director served during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007.

The Fund's directors are not required to attend the Fund's annual meetings. Four directors attended the annual meeting of shareholders in 2006.

The Board has established an Audit Committee that acts pursuant to a written charter ("Audit Committee Charter") and is responsible for, among other things: (i) selecting, overseeing and setting the compensation of the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm; (ii) overseeing the Fund's accounting and financial reporting policies and practices, its internal controls and, as appropriate, the internal controls of certain service providers; (iii) overseeing the quality and objectivity of the Fund's financial statements and the independent audits thereof; and (iv) acting as a liaison between the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm and the full Board of Directors. A copy of the Audit Committee Charter is available on the Fund's website at www.ubs.com. In fulfilling its duties, the Audit Committee has: (a) reviewed and discussed the Fund's audited financial statements with management; (b) discussed with the independent auditors the matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61; (c) received certain written disclosures and the letter from the independent auditors required by Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1 and discussed the independent auditors' independence with them; and (d) based upon its review of the above, recommended to the Board that the Fund's audited financial statements be included in the Fund's annual report to shareholders for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007. The Audit Committee currently consists of Ms. Cepeda and Messrs. Reilly, Roob and Thomas, none of whom have any relationship to the Fund that may interfere with the exercise of their independence from management or the Fund and each of whom is independent as defined under listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") applicable to closed-end funds. Each member of the Fund's Audit Committee is also a member of a similar committee established by the boards of certain other investment companies for which UBS Global AM or an affiliate serves as investment advisor, sub-advisor or manager. The Audit Committee met five times during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007.

The Board has also established a Nominating, Compensation and Governance

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Committee that acts pursuant to a written charter ("Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee Charter"). The Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee is responsible for, among other things, selecting, evaluating and recommending to the Board candidates to be nominated as additional independent directors of the Board, periodically reviewing the composition of the Board, periodically reviewing Board governance procedures and recommending any appropriate changes thereto and periodically reviewing the compensation structure for independent directors. A copy of the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee Charter was previously filed with the Fund's 2004 proxy statement. The Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee currently consists of Ms. Cepeda and Messrs. Reilly, Roob and Thomas, none of whom is an "interested person" for purposes of the 1940 Act, and all of whom are independent as defined under listing standards of the NYSE applicable to closed-end funds. The Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee met three times during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007.

In nominating candidates, the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee believes that no specific qualifications or disqualifications are controlling or paramount, or that specific qualities or skills are necessary for each candidate to possess. In identifying and evaluating nominees for director, the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee takes into consideration such factors as it deems appropriate. These factors may include: (i) whether or not the person is an "interested person" as defined in the 1940 Act, meets the applicable independence and experience requirements of the NYSE and is otherwise qualified under applicable laws and regulations to serve as a member of the Board; (ii) whether or not the person has any relationships that might impair his or her independence, such as any business, financial or family relationships with Fund management, the investment advisor of the Fund, other Fund service providers or their affiliates; (iii) whether or not the person is willing to serve, and willing and able to commit the time necessary for the performance of the duties of a Board member; (iv) the person's judgment, skill, diversity and experience with investment companies and other organizations of comparable purpose, complexity and size and subject to similar legal restrictions and oversight; (v) the interplay of the candidate's experience with the experience of other Board members; and (vi) the extent to which the candidate would be a desirable addition to the Board and any committees thereof.

While the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee is solely responsible for the selection and recommendation to the Board of Board candidates, the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee will consider nominees recommended by Qualifying Fund Shareholders if a vacancy occurs among those board members who are independent board members. A Qualifying Fund Shareholder is a shareholder that: (i) owns of record, or beneficially through a financial intermediary, 1/2 of 1% or more of the Fund's outstanding shares and (ii) has been a shareholder of at least 1/2 of 1% of the Fund's total outstanding shares for 12 months or more prior to submitting the recommendation to the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee. In order to recommend a nominee, a Qualifying Fund Shareholder should send a letter to the chairperson of the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee, care of the Secretary of the Fund at UBS Global Asset Management (Americas) Inc., One North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606. The Qualifying Fund Shareholder's letter should include: (i) the name and address of the Qualifying Fund Shareholder making the recommendation; (ii) the number of shares of the Fund which are owned of record and beneficially by such Qualifying Fund Shareholder and the length of time that such shares have been so owned by the Qualifying Fund Shareholder; (iii) a description of all arrangements and understandings between such Qualifying Fund Shareholder and any other person or persons (naming such person or persons) pursuant to which the recommendation is being made; (iv) the name and address of the nominee; and (v) the nominee's resume or curriculum vitae.

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The Qualifying Fund Shareholder's letter must be accompanied by a written consent of the individual to stand for election if nominated for the Board and to serve if elected by shareholders. The Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee may also seek such additional information about the nominee as it considers appropriate, including information relating to such nominee that is required to be disclosed in solicitations or proxies for the election of board members.

Shareholders may send other communications to the Board by sending a letter to the chairperson of the Board of Directors, Mr. Frank K. Reilly, care of the Secretary of the Fund at UBS Global Asset Management (Americas) Inc., One North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606. The chairperson of the Board of Directors will relay shareholder communications to the other Board members.

Each Independent Director receives from the Fund for his or her service to the Fund, an annual retainer of \$5,000 for serving as a board member, a \$2,000 retainer for serving as an Audit Committee member, and a \$2,000 retainer for serving as a Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee member. In addition, the Chairman of the Board, for serving as Chairman of the Board, the Chairman of the Audit Committee, for serving as Chairman of the Audit Committee and the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, for serving as Chairman of the Nominating Committee, receive, from the Fund for his or her service to the Fund, an annual retainer of \$2,000, \$1,500 and \$1,000, respectively. Each Independent Director also will receive from the Fund \$500 for each regular Board meeting (and each in-person special meeting) actually attended. The Fund reimburses each Director and officer for out-of-pocket expenses in connection with travel and attendance at Board meetings. No officer, director or employee of UBS Global AM or any of its affiliates presently receives any compensation from the Fund for acting as a Board member or officer.

COMPENSATION TABLE +

| NAME OF PERSON, POSITION ----- | AGGREGATE COMPENSATION FROM THE FUND* | TOTAL COMPENSATION FROM THE FUND AND THE FUND COMPLEX** ----- |
|--|--|--|
| Adela Cepeda, Director | \$8,055 | \$104,700 |
| Frank K. Reilly, Director and Chairman | 8,001 | 118,300 |
| Edward M. Roob, Director | 6,972 | 107,800 |
| J. Mikesell Thomas, Director*** | 8,713 | 111,450 |

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- + Only Independent Directors are compensated by the Fund.
- * Represents fees paid to each director for service on the Board during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007.
- ** Represents fees paid for services during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007 to each Board member by four investment companies for which UBS Global AM or one of its affiliates served as investment advisor, sub-advisor or manager. The Fund does not have a bonus, pension, profit sharing or retirement plan.
- *** These amounts include compensation paid to Mr. Thomas for his service as the liaison for the Board of Directors for purposes of the UBS Global AM (Americas) Profitability Working Group.

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INFORMATION CONCERNING INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Fund's financial statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007, were audited by Ernst & Young LLP ("Ernst & Young"), independent registered public accounting firm. In addition, Ernst & Young prepares the Fund's federal and state annual income tax returns and provides certain non-audit services. The Audit Committee has considered whether the provision of those non-audit services is compatible with maintaining Ernst & Young's independence. In the past two fiscal years, the Audit Committee did not approve any services provided by Ernst & Young pursuant to Rule 2-01(c)(7)(i)(C) of Regulation S-X. The Board of Directors of the Fund has selected Ernst & Young as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008. Ernst & Young has been the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm since the fiscal year ended September 30, 2001. Ernst & Young has informed the Fund that it has no material direct or indirect financial interest in the Fund.

Representatives of Ernst & Young are not expected to be present at the meeting but have been given the opportunity to make a statement if they so desire and will be available should any matter arise requiring their presence.

AUDIT FEES

For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2007 and September 30, 2006, the aggregate Ernst & Young audit fees for professional services rendered to the Fund were approximately \$34,350 and \$33,000, respectively.

Fees included in the audit fees category are those associated with the annual audits of financial statements and services that are normally provided in connection with statutory and regulatory filings.

AUDIT-RELATED FEES

In each of the fiscal years ended September 30, 2007 and September 30, 2006, the aggregate audit-related fees billed by Ernst & Young for services rendered to the Fund that are reasonably related to the performance of the audits of the financial statements, but not reported as audit fees, were approximately \$2,500 and \$2,500, respectively.

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Fees included in the audit-related fees category are those associated with the reading and providing comments on the semi-annual statements.

There were no audit-related fees required to be approved pursuant to paragraph (c)(7)(ii) of Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X during the fiscal years indicated above.

TAX FEES

In each of the fiscal years ended September 30, 2007 and September 30, 2006, the aggregate tax fees billed by Ernst & Young for professional services rendered to the Fund were approximately \$4,150 and \$4,150, respectively.

Fees included in the tax fees category comprise all services performed by professional staff in the independent accountant's tax division except those services related to the audits. This category comprises fees for tax return preparation and review of excise tax calculations.

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There were no tax fees required to be approved pursuant to paragraph (c)(7)(ii) of Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X during the fiscal years indicated above.

ALL OTHER FEES

In each of the fiscal years ended September 30, 2007 and September 30, 2006, there were no fees billed by Ernst & Young for products and services, other than the services reported above, rendered to the Fund.

Fees included in the all other fees category would consist of services related to internal control reviews, strategy and other consulting, financial information systems design and implementation, consulting on other information systems, and other tax services unrelated to the Fund.

There were no "all other fees" required to be approved pursuant to paragraph (c)(7)(ii) of Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X during the fiscal years indicated above.

PRE-APPROVAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The Audit Committee Charter contains the Audit Committee's pre-approval policies and procedures. Reproduced below is an excerpt from the Audit Committee Charter regarding pre-approval policies and procedures:

To carry out its purposes, the Audit Committee shall have the following duties and powers:

- (a) To pre-approve the engagement of, and to recommend to the Board the engagement, retention or termination of, the independent auditors to provide audit, review or attest services to the Fund, and, in connection therewith, to review and evaluate the capabilities and independence of the auditors, and receive the auditors' specific representations as to their independence. In evaluating the auditor's qualifications, performance and independence, the Committee must, among other things, obtain and review a report by the auditors, at

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least annually, describing the following items: (i) all relationships between the independent auditors and the Fund, as well as with the Fund's investment adviser or any control affiliate of the investment adviser that provides ongoing services to the Fund; (ii) any material issues raised by the most recent internal quality control review, or peer review, of the audit firm, or by any inquiry or investigation by governmental or professional authorities, within the preceding five years, with respect to one or more independent audits carried out by the firm, and any steps taken to deal with any such issues; and (iii) the audit firm's internal quality control procedures.

- (b) To pre-approve all non-audit services to be provided to the Fund by the independent auditors when, without such pre-approval, the auditors would not be independent of the Fund under applicable federal securities laws, rules or auditing standards.
- (c) To pre-approve all non-audit services to be provided by the Fund's independent auditors to the Fund's investment adviser or to any entity that controls, is controlled by or is under common control with the Fund's investment adviser ("adviser affiliate") and that provides ongoing services to the Fund, when, without such pre-approval by the Committee, the auditors would not be independent of the Fund under applicable federal securities laws, rules or auditing standards.
- (d) To establish, if deemed necessary or appropriate as an alternative to Committee pre-approval of services to be provided by the independent auditors as required by paragraphs (b) and (c) above, policies and procedures to permit such services to be pre-approved by other means, such as by

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action of a designated member or members of the Committee, subject to subsequent Committee review or oversight.

- (e) To consider whether the non-audit services provided by the Fund's independent auditor to the Fund's investment adviser or any adviser affiliate that provides on-going services to the Fund, which services were not pre-approved by the Committee, are compatible with maintaining the auditors' independence.

AGGREGATE NON-AUDIT FEES

For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2007 and September 30, 2006, the aggregate non-audit fees billed by Ernst & Young of \$6,650 and \$14,650, respectively, included non-audit services rendered on behalf of the Fund of \$6,650 and \$6,650, respectively, and non-audit services rendered on behalf of the Fund's investment adviser (not including any sub-adviser whose role is primarily portfolio management and is subcontracted with or overseen by another investment adviser) and any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the investment adviser that provides ongoing services to the Fund of \$0 and \$8,000, respectively.

The Audit Committee was not required to consider whether the provision of non-audit services that were rendered to the Fund's investment adviser (not including any sub-adviser whose role is primarily portfolio management and is subcontracted with or overseen by another investment adviser), and any entity

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controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the investment adviser that provides ongoing services to the Fund that were not pre-approved pursuant to paragraph (c)(7)(ii) of Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X is compatible with maintaining Ernst & Young's independence.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Officers of the Fund are appointed by the directors and serve at the pleasure of the board. None of the Fund's officers currently receives any compensation from the Fund. The executive officers of the Fund are:

| NAME, ADDRESS, AND AGE ----- | POSITION(S) HELD WITH THE FUND ----- | LENGTH OF TIME SERVED ----- | PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION(S) DURING P NUMBER OF PORTFOLIOS IN FUND FOR WHICH PERSON SERVES AS ----- |
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| Joseph J. Allesie*; 42 | Vice President and Assistant Secretary | Since 2005 | Mr. Allesie is an executive director (since 2007) (prior to which he was senior vice president and deputy general counsel (since 2004) of UBS Global Asset Management (US) and UBS Global AM (collectively, "UBS Global AM--Americas region"). Prior to joining UBS Global AM--Americas region, he was senior vice president and deputy general counsel of Kenmar Advisory Corp. from 2004 to 2005). Prior to that, Mr. Allesie was general counsel and secretary of UBS Global Asset Management USA Inc., GAM Investments, GAM Securities, and GAM Funds, Inc. and the GAM Avalon Funds (from 1999 to 2004). Mr. Allesie is also vice president and assistant secretary of investment companies (consisting of UBS Global AM--Americas region portfolios) for which UBS Global Asset Management is one of its affiliates serves as advisor, sub-advisor or manager. |
| Thomas Disbrow*; 41 | Vice President, Treasurer, and Principal Accounting Officer | Since 2000 (Vice President) and since 2006 (Treasurer and Principal Accounting Officer) | Mr. Disbrow is an executive director (since 2007) (prior to which he was a director and head of US Mutual Fund Treasury Administration department (since 2004) of UBS Global AM--Americas region). Mr. Disbrow is vice president, treasurer and principal accounting officer of investment companies (consisting of UBS Global AM--Americas region portfolios) for which UBS Global Asset Management is one of its affiliates serves as advisor, sub-advisor or manager. |

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| Michael J. Flook*; 42 | Vice President and Assistant Treasurer | Since 2006 | Mr. Flook is an associate direct senior manager of the US Mutual Treasury Administration departme UBS Global AM--Americas region (2006). Prior to joining UBS Glob Americas region, he was a senior with The Reserve (asset manageme from May 2005 to May 2006. Prior he was a senior manager with PFP Worldwide since October 2000. Mr is a vice president and assistan 21 investment companies (consist portfolios) for which UBS Global one of its affiliates serve as i advisor, sub-advisor or manager. |
| Mark F. Kemper**; 49 | Vice President and Secretary | Since 1999 and 2004, respectively | Mr. Kemper is general counsel of Global AM--Americas region (sinc Mr. Kemper is also a managing di UBS Global AM--Americas region (2006). He was deputy general cou UBS Global AM from July 2001 to He has been secretary of UBS Glo Americas since 1999 and assistan of UBS Global Asset Management T Company since 1993. Mr. Kemper i secretary of UBS Global AM--Amer region (since 2004). Mr. Kemper president and secretary of 21 in companies (consisting of 104 por which UBS Global AM or one of it serves as investment advisor, su manager. |

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| Joanne M. Kilkeary*; 39 | Vice President and Assistant Treasurer | Since 2006 | Ms. Kilkeary is an associate director (since 2000) and a senior manager (since 2000) of the US Mutual Fund Treasury Administration department of UBS Global AM--Americas region. Ms. Kilkeary is a vice president and assistant treasurer for investment companies (consisting of 21 portfolios) for which UBS Global AM or one of its affiliates serves as investment advisor, sub-advisor or manager. |
| Tammie Lee*; 36 | Vice President and Assistant Secretary | Since 2005 | Ms. Lee is a director and associate counsel of UBS Global AM--Americas region (since 2005). Prior to joining UBS Global AM--Americas region, she was a vice president and counsel at Deutsche Bank Asset Management/Scudder Investments from 2003 to 2005. Prior to that, she was a vice president and counsel at Deutsche Bank Asset Management/Scudder Investments from 2000 to 2003. Ms. Lee is a vice president and assistant secretary for investment companies (consisting of 21 portfolios) for which UBS Global AM or one of its affiliates serves as investment advisor, sub-advisor or manager. |
| Joseph McGill*; 45 | Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer | Since 2004 | Mr. McGill is a managing director (since 2006) and chief compliance officer (since 2003) at UBS Global AM--Americas region. Prior to joining UBS Global AM--Americas region, he was assistant counsel at J.P. Morgan Investment Management (from 1999 to 2003). Mr. McGill is a vice president and chief compliance officer of 21 investment companies (consisting of 104 portfolios) for which UBS Global AM or one of its affiliates serves as investment advisor, sub-advisor or manager. |

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| Nancy Osborn*; 41 | Vice President and Assistant Treasurer | Since 2007 | Ms. Osborn is an associate director and senior manager of the US Mutual Fund Treasury Administration department of UBS Global AM--Americas region (since 2006). Prior to joining UBS Global |

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| Eric Sanders*; 42 | Vice President and Assistant Secretary | Since 2005 | Americas region, she was an Assistant President with Brown Brothers Ha since April 1996. Ms. Osborn is president and assistant treasure investment companies (consisting portfolios) for which UBS Global of its affiliates serves as inve sub-advisor or manager. |
| Andrew Shoup*; 51 | Vice President and Chief Operating Officer | Since 2006 | Mr. Sanders is a director and as general counsel of UBS Global AM Americas region (since 2005). Fr until June 2005, he held various Fred Alger & Company, Incorporated most recent being assistant vice and associate general counsel. M is a vice president and assistant 21 investment companies (consist portfolios) for which UBS Global of its affiliates serves as inve sub-advisor or manager. Mr. Shoup is a managing director senior member of the Global Trea Administration department of UBS AM--Americas region (since July Prior to joining UBS Global AM-- region, he was Chief Administrat for the Legg Mason Partner Funds Smith Barney, Salomon Brothers, CitiFunds mutual funds) from Nov to July 2006. Prior to that, he positions with Citigroup Asset M and related companies with their and offshore mutual funds since Additionally, he has worked for mutual fund complex as well as s eleven years in public accountin is a vice president and chief op of 21 investment companies (cons portfolios) for which UBS Global of its affiliates serves as inve sub-advisor or manager. |

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| Kai R. Sotorp**; 48 | President | Since 2006 | Mr. Sotorp is the head of the Am UBS Global Asset Management (sin 2004); a member of the UBS Group |

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Managing Board (since 2003) and of the UBS Global Asset Management Executive Committee (since 2001) his current role, Mr. Sotorp was Global Asset Management--Asia Pacific (2002-2004), covering Australia, HongKong, Singapore and Taiwan; UBS Global Asset Management (Japan) (2001-2004); representative director and president of UBS Global Asset Management (Japan) Ltd. (2000-2004); and a member of the board of Mitsubishi Corp.--UBS Global Asset Management (Japan) Inc. (2000-2004). Mr. Sotorp is president of 21 investment companies (consisting of various portfolios) for which UBS Global Asset Management of its affiliates serves as investment sub-advisor or manager.

Keith Weller*; 46 Vice President and Assistant Secretary Since 2004

Mr. Weller is an executive director and senior associate general counsel of UBS Global AM--Americas region (since 2004) and has been an attorney with affiliation with various entities since 1995. Mr. Weller is president and assistant secretary of 21 investment companies (consisting of various portfolios) for which UBS Global Asset Management of its affiliates serves as investment sub-advisor or manager.

* This person's business address is 51 West 52nd Street, New York, NY 10019-6114.

** This person's business address is One North Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60606.

BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SHARES

As of October 12, 2007, the following person was known by the Registrant to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of the Fund's common stock:

| NAME AND ADDRESS OF BENEFICIAL OWNER | AMOUNT AND NATURE OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP | PERCENT OF FUND |
|---|--|-----------------|
| Doliver Capital Advisors, Inc.* 6363 Woodway, Suite 963 Houston, TX 77057 | 1,005,600 shares of common stock of the Fund | 11.5% |

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* Based on amended Schedule 13G filed with the SEC by Doliver Capital Advisors, Inc. with respect to the Fund on April 10, 2007 (the "Filing"). The Filing reported that Doliver Capital Advisors, Inc. had shared dispositive power, but no voting power.

Other than as set forth above, as of October 12, 2007, Management of UBS Global AM did not know of any other person who owned beneficially 5% or more of the common stock of the Fund.

SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

The Fund is not aware of any outstanding report required to be filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 by any Board member or officer.

SHAREHOLDER PROPOSALS

The Fund anticipates mailing this proxy statement on or about November 16, 2007. In addition, the Fund anticipates that its next annual meeting of shareholders will be held on or around the same date next year. Any shareholder who wishes to submit proposals for inclusion in the Fund's proxy statement and proxy card to be considered at the Fund's 2008 annual meeting of shareholders should send such proposals to the Secretary of the Fund at UBS Global Asset Management (Americas) Inc., One North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606. In order for such proposals to be included in the Fund's proxy statement and proxy card relating to the 2008 annual meeting of shareholders, shareholder proposals must be received by the Fund no later than July 19, 2008 and must satisfy other requirements of the federal securities laws. Submission of a proposal by a shareholder does not guarantee that the proposal will be included in the proxy statement. A shareholder who wishes to make a proposal at the Fund's 2008 annual shareholders' meeting without including the proposal in the Fund's proxy statement and proxy card must notify the Fund of such proposal by directing such notice to the Secretary of the Fund at the address set forth above by no later than October 2, 2008. If a shareholder fails to give notice to the Fund by this date, then the persons named as proxies in the proxies solicited by the Board for the 2008 annual meeting of shareholders may exercise discretionary voting power with respect to any such proposal.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Management knows of no business to be presented at the meeting other than the matters set forth in this proxy statement, but should any other matter requiring a vote of shareholders arise, the proxies will vote thereon according to their best judgment in the interest of the Fund.

By order of the Board of Directors,

MARK F. KEMPER
SECRETARY

November 16, 2007

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU EXECUTE AND RETURN YOUR PROXY PROMPTLY.

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PROXY
STATEMENT

NOTICE OF
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TO BE HELD ON
DECEMBER 7, 2007
AND
PROXY STATEMENT

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Using a BLACK INK pen, mark your votes with an X as shown in this example. Please do not write outside the designated areas. |X|

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ANNUAL MEETING PROXY CARD

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|A| PROPOSALS -- THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR ALL THE NOMINEES LISTED IN PROPOSAL

1. Election of Directors: FOR WITHHOLD FOR WITHHOLD

01 - A. Cepeda | | 02 - F.K. Reilly | | 03 - E

04 - J.M. Thomas | |

2. In their discretion, the proxies are authorized to vote upon other matters as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment thereof. FOR AGAINST ABSTAIN | | |

|B| NON-VOTING ITEMS CHANGE OF ADDRESS -- Please print your new address below. COMMENTS -- Please print your comment

|C| AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES -- THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED FOR YOUR VOTE TO BE COUNTED. -- DATE (PLEASE DATE AND SIGN EXACTLY AS NAME APPEARS HEREON. JOINT OWNERS SHOULD EACH SIGN. WHEN SIGNING ADMINISTRATOR, TRUSTEE OR GUARDIAN, PLEASE GIVE FULL TITLE AS SUCH.)

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PROXY -- FORT DEARBORN INCOME SECURITIES, INC.

PROXY SOLICITED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS -- DECEMBER 7, 2007

The undersigned, having received the Notice of the 2007 Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement, appoints Joseph J. Alessie and Tammie Lee and each or any of them as proxies, with full power of substitution and revocation, to represent the undersigned and to vote all shares (including those owned beneficially by the undersigned through the Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan) which the undersigned is entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Fort Dearborn Income Securities, Inc. to be held on December 7, 2007, 1:00 P.M., Central Time, at the offices of UBS Global Asset Management, One N. Wacker Drive, 38th floor, Chicago, Illinois, 60606 and any adjournments thereof.

You are encouraged to specify your choices by marking the appropriate boxes ON THE REVERSE SIDE. If you do not mark any boxes, your proxy will be voted in accordance with the Board of Directors' recommendations. The Proxies cannot vote your shares unless you sign and return the card.

THIS PROXY WHEN PROPERLY EXECUTED WILL BE VOTED IN THE MANNER DIRECTED HEREIN. IF NO DIRECTION IS MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR THE ELECTION OF DIRECTORS.

(Continued and to be dated and signed on the reverse side.)