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COLORADO BONDSHARES A TAX EXEMPT FUND

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SIGNATURE FRED R. KELLY, JR.

TITLE PORTFOLIO MANAGER

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DEFAULTS AND ARREARS ON SENIOR SECURITIES

- 1) Colorado Centre Metropolitan District LTD Tax and Special Revenue Series 1992B 0.00% due 1/1/2032
In default: Interest
Date of default: 1995
Default per \$1,000: \$6,465,662

- 2) Colorado Housing and Finance Authority Economic Development Revenue (Micro Business Development Corporation Project) Series 2005 6.75% due 12/1/2010
Nature of default: Interest
Date of default: 12/1/2008
Default per \$1,000: \$3,655,000

- 3) Ft. Lupton, Colorado Golf Course Revenue Anticipation Warrants Series 1996A, 8.50% due 12/15/2015
In default: Interest
Nature of default: District did not make interest payment.
Date of default: June 2002
Default per \$1,000 face: \$620,000

- 4) Tabernash Meadows, LLC A Colorado Limited Liability Company, 24.00% due 2/9/2002
Nature of default: Interest
Date of default: 2/9/2002
Default per \$1,000: \$227,347