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**NUVEEN CLOSED-END FUND PROPOSALS RECEIVE SUPPORT OF LEADING PROXY ADVISORY SERVICE**

**Fund Shareholders Recommended to Vote in Favor of Proposed Investment Policy Changes to Several National Municipal Bond Funds by Institutional Shareholder Services Inc.**

CHICAGO, August 19, 2009 Nuveen Investments, a leading global provider of investment services to institutions and high-net-worth investors, today announced that Institutional Shareholder Services Inc. (ISS) has recommended that shareholders vote in favor of proposed changes to certain fundamental investment policies of a number of Nuveen national closed-end municipal bond funds. ISS is widely recognized as the leading independent proxy advisory firm in the nation. Its recommendations are relied upon by hundreds of major institutional investment firms, mutual funds, and other fiduciaries throughout the country.

ISS recommends that each fund's shareholders vote in favor of the proposed changes at its annual shareholders meeting held on Tuesday, July 28, 2009 and adjourned to Tuesday, September 1, 2009. The specific closed-end funds are:

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| Nuveen Premium Income Municipal Fund, Inc.         | (NPI) |
| Nuveen Performance Plus Municipal Fund, Inc.       | (NPP) |
| Nuveen Insured Municipal Opportunity Fund, Inc.    | (NIO) |
| Nuveen Premier Insured Municipal Income Fund, Inc. | (NIF) |
| Nuveen Insured Premium Income Municipal Fund 2     | (NPX) |
| Nuveen Municipal Advantage Fund, Inc.              | (NMA) |
| Nuveen Municipal Market Opportunity Fund, Inc.     | (NMO) |
| Nuveen Investment Quality Municipal Fund, Inc.     | (NQM) |
| Nuveen Select Quality Municipal Fund, Inc.         | (NQS) |
| Nuveen Quality Income Municipal Fund, Inc.         | (NQU) |
| Nuveen Premier Municipal Income Fund, Inc.         | (NPF) |
| Nuveen Premium Income Municipal Fund 2, Inc.       | (NPM) |

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| Nuveen Premium Income Municipal Fund 4, Inc.     | (NPT) |
| Nuveen Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund         | (NAD) |
| Nuveen Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund 2       | (NXZ) |
| Nuveen Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund 3       | (NZF) |
| Nuveen Insured Quality Municipal Fund, Inc.      | (NQI) |
| Nuveen Municipal High Income Opportunity Fund    | (NMZ) |
| Nuveen Insured Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund | (NVG) |

Each fund's Board of Trustees has recommended that shareholders vote in favor of implementing the changes to investment policies in order to help provide the fund with:

enhanced ability to meet investment objectives while maintaining the quality orientation of fund's investment portfolio;

increased flexibility in diversifying portfolio risks and managing duration to help sustain and build net asset value;

improved secondary market competitiveness that may lead to a higher relative market price and/or stronger premium/discount performance; and

for the insured funds only, increased flexibility to respond to on-going developments in the bond insurance market.

Investors who have not mailed in their proxy and wish to vote via the Internet may download their fund's proxy statement and vote their proxy online. To vote over the internet, investors should go to [www.proxyweb.com](http://www.proxyweb.com) if they received their proxy materials directly from Nuveen. Investors who received their proxy material from their Financial Advisor should go to [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). In both cases, investors should enter the control number provided with their Notice of Annual/Special Meeting of Shareholders, and follow the proxy voting instructions. Additionally, shareholders who wish to vote by telephone should call the toll-free number located on their proxy card and follow the recorded instructions, using their proxy card as a guide.

For more information on these proposals and other Nuveen closed-end funds, please visit [www.nuveen.com/cef](http://www.nuveen.com/cef). Nuveen Investments provides high quality investment services designed to help secure the long-term goals of institutions and high net worth investors as well as the consultants and financial advisors who serve them. Nuveen Investments markets its growing range of specialized investment solutions under the high-quality brands of HydePark, NWQ, Nuveen, Santa Barbara, Symphony, Tradewinds and Winslow Capital. In total, the Company managed \$128 billion of assets on June 30, 2009. For more information, please visit the Nuveen Investments website at [www.nuveen.com](http://www.nuveen.com).

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