



## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## DELAWARE INVESTMENTS COLORADO MUNICIPAL INCOME FUND, INC. AND DELAWARE INVESTMENTS MINNESOTA MUNICIPAL INCOME FUND II, INC. SUCCESSFULLY PRICE PRIVATE OFFERING OF PREFERRED SECURITIES AND APPOINT GREGORY A. GIZZI AS CO-MANAGER

**PHILADELPHIA**, **November 15**, **2011** — Delaware Investments Colorado Municipal Income Fund, Inc. and Delaware Investments Minnesota Municipal Income Fund II, Inc. (each, a "Fund" and collectively, the "Funds") today announced that they have successfully priced private offerings, as defined pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, of approximately \$105 million of Variable Rate MuniFund Term Preferred Shares ("VMTP"). The net proceeds from each offering will be invested in accordance with each Fund's investment objective.

Each Fund has issued VMTP shares as follows:

Fund	Name of issuance and amount
Delaware Investments Colorado Municipal Income	Series 2016 \$30 million
Fund, Inc. (AMEX: VCF)	
Delaware Investments Minnesota Municipal	Series 2016 \$75 million
Income Fund II, Inc (AMEX: VMM)	

VMTP is a floating rate form of preferred stock with a mandatory term redemption. The mandatory term redemption date for these two offerings is December 1, 2016. VMTP dividends will be set weekly at a fixed spread to the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association Municipal Swap Index (SIFMA). VMTP shares represent the preferred stock of each Fund and are senior, with priority in all respects, to each Fund's common shares as to payments of dividends.

In addition, Delaware Investments announced today that Gregory A. Gizzi has been appointed as a comanager for the Funds. Mr. Gizzi joins Joseph R. Baxter, Stephen J. Czepiel and Denise A. Franchetti in making day-to-day investment decisions for the Funds.

Gregory A. Gizzi, Vice President, Portfolio Manager, Head of Convertible Bond and Municipal Bond Trading, is a member of the firm's municipal fixed income portfolio management team and\_municipal trading team, and head of the municipal bond trading staff. Additionally, Gizzi serves as portfolio manager and head of the convertible bond trading staff. Before joining Delaware Investments in January 2008 as head of municipal bond trading, he spent six years as a vice president at Lehman Brothers for the firm's tax-exempt institutional sales effort. Prior to that, he spent two years trading corporate bonds for UBS before joining Lehman Brothers in a sales capacity. Gizzi has more than 20 years of trading experience in the municipal securities industry, beginning at Kidder Peabody in 1984, where he started as a municipal bond trader and worked his way up to institutional block trading desk manager. He later served in the same capacity at Dillon Read. Gizzi earned his bachelor's degree in economics from Harvard University.





Each Fund is a closed-end fund managed by Delaware Management Company, a series of Delaware Management Business Trust.

The investment objective for VCF is to provide current income exempt from regular federal income tax and Colorado state income tax, consistent with the preservation of capital. As of September 30, 2011, VCF had total managed assets of approximately \$68.3 million. At that time, the Fund did not have any outstanding preferred shares. In the event the Fund had outstanding preferred shares in the amount of the Series 2016 VMTP shares, then the pro forma managed assets would have been approximately \$98.3 million, including the \$30 million attributable to the Series 2016 VMTP shares.

The investment objective for VMM is to provide current income exempt from regular federal income tax and Minnesota state personal income tax consistent with the preservation of capital. As of September 30, 2011, VMM had total managed assets of approximately \$163.8 million. At that time, the Fund did not have any outstanding preferred shares. In the event the Fund had outstanding preferred shares in the amount of the Series 2016 VMTP shares, then the pro forma managed assets would have been approximately \$238.8 million, including the \$75 million attributable to the Series 2016 VMTP shares.

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