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 February 19, 2002

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PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 12 DATED FEBRUARY 13, 2002  
 (To Prospectus Supplement dated November 27, 2001  
 and Prospectus dated November 21, 2001)

FLEETBOSTON FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
 SENIOR MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES T (The "Senior Notes") and  
 SUBORDINATED MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES U (The "Subordinated Notes")  
 DUE 9 MONTHS OR MORE FROM DATE OF ISSUE  
 FLOATING RATE NOTE

	SERIES T (SENIOR) [X]	SERIES U (SUBORDINATED) [ ]
Principal Amount:	\$5,000,000.00	CUSIP Number: 33900QBC7
Price to Public:	100.00%	ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT (OID):
		Total Amount of OID:
Issue Date:	February 19, 2002	Yield to Maturity:
Maturity Date:	February 19, 2004	Initial Accrual Period OID:
Price to Issuer (as % principal):	99.9600%	
Net Proceeds to Issuer:	\$4,998,000.00	
Specified Currency (if other than U.S. Dollars):		
Interest Rate Basis:	[ ] CMT Rate	
		Designated CMT Telerate Page:
		Designated CMT Maturity Index:
	[ ] Commercial Paper Rate	
	[X] LIBOR	
		LIBOR SCREEN
		Telerate (p 3750) [X]
		Reuters [ ]
		Other [ ]
Index Maturity:	1 Month	
Spread:	plus 26 basis points	
Spread Multiplier:		
Maximum Interest Rate:		
Minimum Interest Rate:		
Initial Interest Rate:	2.11000%	
Method of Calculation:	Actual/360 [X]	Actual/Actual [ ]
Interest Determination Dates:	[ ] One Business Day Prior to the Interest Payment Date	
	[ ] Two Business Days Prior to the Interest Payment Date	
	[X] Two London Business Days Prior to the Interest Payment Date	
Initial Interest Reset Date:	March 19, 2002	
Interest Reset Dates:	Monthly on each Interest Payment Date	
Interest Payment Dates:	Monthly on the 19th day of each month commencing on March 19, 2002 and subject to modified following business day convention.	
Regular Record Dates (if other than the 15th day prior to each Interest Payment Date):		
Interest Reset Period:	Monthly	
Interest Payment Period:	Monthly	
Calculation Agent (if other than Bank of New York):		
Redemption:	[X] The Notes cannot be redeemed prior to the Maturity Date	

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Repayment:  The Notes can be redeemed prior to ma  
Initial Redemption Date:  
Initial Redemption Percentag  
Annual Redemption Percentag  
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of the holder of the Note  
Holder's Optional Repayment  
Place of Payment: Authorized

Index Currency:  
(only if non-U.S. Dollar denominated)  
Agent: Fleet Securities, Inc.  
Agent's Capacity:  As Principal  As Agent  
Delivery: DTC # 158

Additional Terms: