

# GABELLI ABC FUND ELIMINATES 12B-1 PLAN

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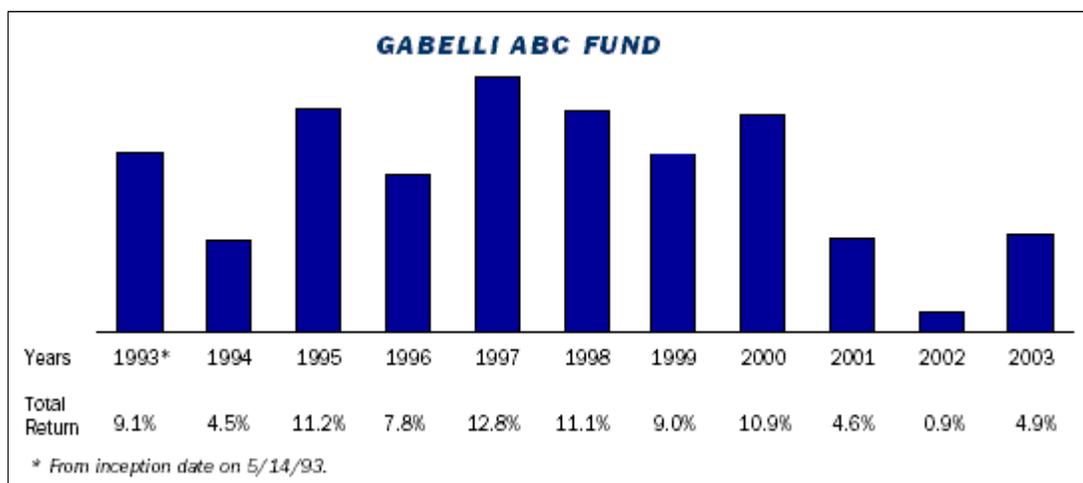
The Board of Directors of The Gabelli ABC Fund approved the elimination of its 12b-1 Distribution Plan. Since January 1, 2003, Gabelli & Company, Inc, has voluntarily waived receipt of the 25 basis point fees under the Distribution Plan.

The Board of Directors accepted the investment adviser's (Gabelli Funds, LLC) recommendation to eliminate the Distribution Plan. The Fund had been closed to new investors who did not have an investment in any Gabelli Fund prior to October 1, 2002.

As previously announced, the Fund reopened on March 1, 2004, in anticipation of increasing merger and acquisition activity. The following limitations will apply: the minimum initial investment will be \$50,000 for new investors and the purchase may only be made through Gabelli & Company, Inc., the Fund's principal distributor, or directly through the Fund's transfer agent.

The investment adviser has voluntarily waived 50 basis points of its advisory fee since April 1, 2002, because of a low level of merger and acquisition activity and a subsequent buildup of cash in the portfolio, resulting in a reduction of fees currently totaling 75 basis points. The current advisory fee of 50 basis points will remain until the Fund becomes more fully invested.

The Gabelli ABC Fund has been up each calendar year since its inception on May 14, 1993. It returned 4.94% during 2003, and for the three, five and ten-year periods ended December 31, 2003, its average annual total returns were 3.44%, 5.99% and 7.70%, respectively.



The Fund focuses its investment strategy in merger and acquisition arbitrage to achieve total returns that are attractive to investors seeking positive returns in various market conditions without excessive risk of capital. The Fund focuses on securities involved in announced mergers and acquisitions in order to achieve a positive return not correlated to the overall market by capturing the spread between the purchase price and the ultimate acquisition price on specific equity investments. Due to a low level of deal activity in the 2000-2002 period, the Fund closed to new investors on October 1, 2002 even though it was rated 5 Stars Overall by Morningstar at that time. The Fund continues to hold a significant portion of its assets in short-term cash equivalent investments, which will be utilized as increased investment opportunities become available

Gabelli ABC Fund began investment operations on May 14, 1993. As an incentive to attract investors wary of the market, the Fund offered a unique one-year performance guarantee of at least 6% on a \$2,000 investment. In 1994, 1995 and 1996, the Fund offered a minimum 5% return on an investment of up to \$5,000 for all new and current shareholders. After 1996, the performance guaranty program was eliminated. As stated above the Fund has enjoyed positive total returns in every calendar year of its existence.

The Fund's adviser is Gabelli Funds, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Gabelli Asset Management Inc. (NYSE; GBL), which manages, through its subsidiaries, approximately \$27.6 billion.

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Morningstar Rated™ Gabelli ABC Fund 4 stars overall and for the 3 and 5-year periods ended 12/31/03. The Fund was also rated 3 stars for the 10- year period ended 12/31/03. The Fund was rated among 177, 140 and 35 U.S. domiciled conservative allocation funds for the 3, 5 and 10-year periods, respectively, as of 12/31/03. As of September 30, 2002, when the Fund closed to new investors, Gabelli ABC Fund was rated 5 stars overall among 680 U.S. domiciled domestic hybrid Funds.

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