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# The Gabelli Convertible and Income Securities Fund Inc.

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## **DIVIDEND NOTICE SERIES B PREFERRED SHARES**

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### **GABELLI CONVERTIBLE AND INCOME SECURITIES FUND DECLARES \$0.375 QUARTERLY DIVIDEND FOR ITS 6.00% SERIES B CUMULATIVE PREFERRED STOCK**

**Rye, NY** -- The Board of Directors of The Gabelli Convertible and Income Securities Fund Inc. (NYSE:GCV) (the "Fund") declared a \$0.375 per share cash distribution payable on December 26, 2008 to Series B preferred shareholders of record on December 18, 2008.

The Series B Preferred Shares, which trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "GCV Pr B", are rated "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service and have an annual dividend rate of \$1.50 per share. The Series B Preferred Shares were issued on March 18, 2003 at \$25.00 per share and pay distributions quarterly. The Series B Preferred Shares will be callable at any time at the liquidation value of \$25.00 per share plus accrued dividends following the expiration of the five year call protection on March 18, 2008.

A portion of the distribution may be treated as long-term capital gain and qualified dividend income for individuals, each subject to the maximum federal income tax rate, which is currently 15% in taxable accounts for individuals. Long-term capital gains, qualified dividend income, and ordinary income, if any, will be allocated on a pro-rata basis to all distributions to preferred shareholders for the year. Based on the accounting records of the Fund as of November 13, 2008, each of the distributions paid in 2008 would include approximately 88% from net investment income and 12% from net capital gains. The estimated components of each distribution are provided to shareholders of record in a notice accompanying the distribution and are available on our website ([www.gabelli.com](http://www.gabelli.com)). The final determination of the sources of all distributions in 2008 will be made after year end and can vary from the quarterly estimates. All shareholders with taxable accounts will receive written notification regarding the components and tax treatment for all 2008 distributions in early 2009 via Form 1099-DIV.

The Gabelli Convertible and Income Securities Fund Inc. is a diversified, closed-end management investment company with \$94 million in total assets whose primary investment objective is to seek a high level of total return through a combination of current income and capital appreciation. The Fund is managed by Gabelli Funds, LLC, a subsidiary of GAMCO Investors, Inc. (NYSE:GBL), which is a publicly traded NYSE listed company.