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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> UBS AG			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2009		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NUVEEN ARIZONA DIVIDEND ADVANTAGE MUNICIPAL FUND 3 [NXE]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	01/31/2007		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
BAHNHOFS BOX CH-802		45, PO			(Check all applicable)				
(Street)					Director _X_10% Owner OfficerOther (give title below) (specify below)		r		
ZURICH, V	78Â							Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Table I - N	lon-Derivat	ive Securiti	ies Bei	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Securit (Instr. 4)	ty			2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	*	
Auction Preferred Stock (CUSIP No[s]. 67072E200)			90 <u>(2)</u>		Ι	By s	ubsidiary - see footnote (1)		
Reminder: Report owned directly of	-	ate line for ea	ch class of secu	urities benefici	ially S	EC 1473 (7-02	2)		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	

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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Add	ress	s Relationships				
1		10% Owner	Officer	Other		
UBS AG BAHNHOFSTRASSE 45 PO BOX CH-8021 ZURICH, V8Â	Â	X	Â	Â		
Signatures						
/s/ Anthony DeFilippis	02/10/2009					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date					
/s/ Joseph Gallichio	02/10/2009					
<u>**</u> Signature of	Date					

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

This Statement is filed by UBS AG for the benefit and on behalf of UBS Securities LLC and UBS Financial Services Inc., two-wholly owned subsidiaries of UBS AG to which UBS AG has delegated portions of its performance obligations with respect to the Auction Rate

- Securities Rights issued by UBS AG to certain clients and pursuant to which the securities reported herein have been purchased from such clients.
- (2) Pursuant to the Global Relief Letter referred to below, this filing reports holdings of the Series of Auction Preferred Stock identified in
- ⁽²⁾ Item 1 of this Table I on an aggregated basis.

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Remarks:

Reporting Person

The Shares reported herein represent UBS AG's combined holdings in multiple series of auction prefa are treated herein as one class of securities in accordance with the Auction Rate Securities --Â Glob Relief Letter") issued by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on SeptemberÂ undertakes to provide, upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issue the number of securities identified in Table I purchased and sold at each different price and dateÂ on which beneficial ownership exceeded ten percent and January 31, 2009, as required by the Globa

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