

NUVEEN MASSACHUSETTS DIVIDEND ADVANTAGE MUNICIPAL FUND  
Form N-Q  
October 30, 2012

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549

FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT  
COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-09451

Nuveen Massachusetts Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Nuveen Investments  
333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Kevin J. McCarthy  
Vice President and Secretary  
333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606  
(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 312-917-7700

Date of fiscal year end: 5/31

Date of reporting period: 8/31/12

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## Item 1. Schedule of Investments

Portfolio of Investments (Unaudited)  
 Nuveen Massachusetts Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund  
 (NMB)  
 August 31, 2012

Principal Amount (000)	Description (1)	Optional Call Provisions (2)	Ratings (3)	Value
	Consumer Discretionary – 1.2% (0.9% of Total Investments)			
\$ 480	Boston Industrial Development Financing Authority, Massachusetts, Senior Revenue Bonds, Crosstown Center Project, Series 2002, 6.500%, 9/01/35 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	3/13 at 102.00	Caa3	\$ 376,056
	Education and Civic Organizations – 46.6% (32.4% of Total Investments)			
500	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency Revenue Bonds, Lesley University Issue Series B-1 and B-2, 5.250%, 7/01/33 – AGM Insured	7/21 at 100.00	AA–	575,190
375	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Boston University, Series 2009V-1, 5.000%, 10/01/29	10/19 at 100.00	A	424,448
110	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Draper Laboratory, Series 2008, 5.875%, 9/01/30	9/18 at 100.00	Aa3	128,200
400	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Emerson College, Series 2010A, 5.000%, 1/01/40	1/20 at 100.00	BBB+	419,096
300	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Merrimack College, Series 2012A, 5.250%, 7/01/42	7/22 at 100.00	BBB–	324,141
1,000	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, The Broad Institute, Series 2011A, 5.250%, 4/01/37	4/21 at 100.00	AA–	1,131,520
450	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Series 2007, 5.000%, 9/01/37 – NPFPG Insured	9/17 at 100.00	A+	482,103
495	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences, Series 2005D, 5.000%, 7/01/27 – AGC Insured	7/15 at 100.00	AA–	525,695
500	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, WGBH Educational Foundation, Series 2002A, 5.750%, 1/01/42 – AMBAC Insured	No Opt. Call	A	658,115
2,100	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, WGBH Educational Foundation, Series 2008A, 5.000%, 1/01/42 – AGC Insured	1/18 at 100.00	AA–	2,239,838
1,000			A2	1,258,439

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	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Refunding Bonds, Boston University, Series 1999P, 6.000%, 5/15/59	5/29 at 105.00		
990	Massachusetts Educational Finance Authority, Educational Loan Revenue Bonds, Series 2001E, 5.300%, 1/01/16 – AMBAC Insured (Alternative Minimum Tax)	1/13 at 100.00	AA	992,544
540	Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority, Education Loan Revenue Bonds, Series 2008H, 6.350%, 1/01/30 – AGC Insured (Alternative Minimum Tax)	1/18 at 100.00	AA	604,357
1,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Boston College, Series 2003N, 5.250%, 6/01/18	6/13 at 100.00	AA–	1,034,770
500	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Springfield College, Series 2010, 5.500%, 10/15/31	10/19 at 100.00	Baa1	545,575
1,500	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Wheaton College Issues, Series 2010F, 5.000%, 1/01/41	1/20 at 100.00	A2	1,651,994
590	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Williams College, Series 2007L, 5.000%, 7/01/31	7/16 at 100.00	AA+	664,051
500	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Refunding Bonds, Suffolk University Issue, Series 2009A, 5.750%, 7/01/39	7/19 at 100.00	BBB	557,370
12,850	Total Education and Civic Organizations Health Care – 27.8% (19.3% of Total Investments)			14,217,446
1,200	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Partners HealthCare System, Series 2011K-6, 5.375%, 7/01/41	7/20 at 100.00	AA	1,359,515
500	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, UMass Memorial Health, Series 2011H, 5.500%, 7/01/31	7/21 at 100.00	A–	568,270
500	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Quincy Medical Center Issue, Series 2008A, 6.500%, 1/15/38 (5)	1/18 at 100.00	N/R	2,520
160	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Baystate Medical Center, Series 2009I, 5.750%, 7/01/36	7/19 at 100.00	A+	178,867
775	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Caregroup Inc., Series B1 Capital Asset Program Converted June 13, 2008, 5.375%, 2/01/26 – NPMFG Insured	8/18 at 100.00	A–	875,208
500	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Caregroup Inc., Series B2, Capital Asset Program, Converted June 9, 2009, 5.375%, 2/01/27 – NPMFG Insured	8/18 at 100.00	A–	562,890
1,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Children’s Hospital, Series 2009M, 5.500%, 12/01/39	12/19 at 100.00	AA	1,136,290
	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Emerson Hospital,			

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Series 2005E:				
550	5.000%, 8/15/25 – RAAI Insured	8/15 at 100.00	N/R	552,987
315	5.000%, 8/15/35 – RAAI Insured	8/15 at 100.00	N/R	301,320
600	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Lahey Clinic Medical Center, Series 2005C, 5.000%, 8/15/21 – FGIC Insured	8/15 at 100.00	A+	633,588
1,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Lahey Medical Center, Series 2007D, 5.250%, 8/15/28	8/17 at 100.00	A+	1,073,090
290	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Milford Regional Medical Center, Series 2007E, 5.000%, 7/15/32	7/17 at 100.00	BBB–	292,540
500	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Milton Hospital Project, Series 2005D, 5.250%, 7/01/30	7/15 at 100.00	BB–	505,200
159	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Northern Berkshire Community Services Inc., Series 2012A, 6.375%, 7/01/34	7/14 at 100.00	D	136,951
124	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Northern Berkshire Community Services Inc., Series 2012B, 6.375%, 7/01/34	7/14 at 100.00	D	12,359
192	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Northern Berkshire Community Services Inc., Series 2012C, 0.000%, 2/15/34	7/14 at 100.00	D	2
285	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, UMass Memorial Health Care, Series 2005D, 5.000%, 7/01/33	7/15 at 100.00	A–	292,433
8,650	Total Health Care			8,484,030
	Housing/Multifamily – 6.9% (4.8% of Total Investments)			
560	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds, Emerson Manor Project, Series 2007, 4.800%, 7/20/48	7/17 at 100.00	BB	582,327
500	Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency, Housing Revenue Bonds, Series 2003S, 5.050%, 12/01/23 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	6/13 at 100.00	AA–	504,890
1,000	Somerville Housing Authority, Massachusetts, GNMA Collateralized Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Clarendon Hill Towers, Series 2002, 5.200%, 11/20/22	5/13 at 102.00	N/R	1,031,940
2,060	Total Housing/Multifamily			2,119,157
	Housing/Single Family – 3.8% (2.6% of Total Investments)			
650	Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency, Single Family Housing Revenue Bonds, Series 2006-126, 4.625%, 6/01/32 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	6/16 at 100.00	AA	668,200
400	Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency, Single Family Housing Revenue Bonds, Series 2008, Trust 3145, 15.369%, 6/01/16 (IF)	No Opt. Call	AA	482,972
1,050	Total Housing/Single Family			1,151,172
100	Industrials – 1.2% (0.9% of Total Investments)		N/R	99,324

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	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Pioneer Valley Resource Recovery Revenue Bonds, Eco/Springfield LLC, Series 2006, 5.875%, 7/01/14 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	No Opt. Call		
200	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Solid Waste Disposal Revenue Bonds, Waste Management Inc., Series 2003, 5.450%, 6/01/14	No Opt. Call	BBB	215,270
65	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, 100 Cambridge Street Redevelopment, M/SRBC Project, Series 2002A, 5.125%, 2/01/34 – NPPFG Insured	11/12 at 100.00	BBB	65,062
365	Total Industrials Long-Term Care – 4.8% (3.3% of Total Investments)			379,656
100	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Carleton-Willard Village, Series 2010, 5.625%, 12/01/30	12/19 at 100.00	A–	109,376
725	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Orchard Cove, Series 2007, 5.250%, 10/01/26	10/12 at 102.00	N/R	733,990
605	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, First Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Berkshire Retirement Community – Edgecombe Project, Series 2001A, 6.750%, 7/01/21	1/13 at 101.00	BBB	612,218
1,430	Total Long-Term Care Tax Obligation/General – 15.1% (10.5% of Total Investments)			1,455,584
310	Ashland, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2004, 5.250%, 5/15/23 – AMBAC Insured	5/15 at 100.00	Aa2	346,847
440	Fall River, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2003, 5.000%, 2/01/21 – AGM Insured	2/13 at 101.00	AA–	449,623
1,000	Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District, Hampden County, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2011, 5.000%, 2/15/41	2/21 at 100.00	Aa3	1,125,710
500	Norwell, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2003, 5.000%, 11/15/20 – FGIC Insured	No Opt. Call	AAA	632,160
500	Puerto Rico, General Obligation and Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2002A, 5.500%, 7/01/29 – FGIC Insured	No Opt. Call	Baa1	563,930
1,280	Quincy, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2011, 5.125%, 12/01/33	12/20 at 100.00	Aa2	1,485,439
4,030	Total Tax Obligation/General Tax Obligation/Limited – 13.8% (9.6% of Total Investments)			4,603,709
395	Martha’s Vineyard Land Bank, Massachusetts, Revenue Bonds, Series 2004, 5.000%, 5/01/26 – AMBAC Insured	5/14 at 100.00	A–	418,708
385	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2004C, 5.250%, 7/01/21	No Opt. Call	AAA	495,560
550	Massachusetts College Building Authority, Project Revenue Bonds, Series 2008A, 5.000%, 5/01/33 – AGC Insured	5/18 at 100.00	Aa2	612,519
285			AA	330,050

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	Massachusetts College Building Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding Series 2012B, 5.000%, 5/01/37	5/22 at 100.00		
500	Massachusetts School Building Authority, Dedicated Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2005A, 5.000%, 8/15/20 – AGM Insured (UB)	8/15 at 100.00	AA+	562,625
230	Massachusetts State, Special Obligation Dedicated Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2005, 5.000%, 1/01/20 – FGIC Insured	No Opt. Call	A1	274,333
1,000	Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation, Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, First Subordinate Series 2011A-1, 5.000%, 8/01/43	8/21 at 100.00	A+	1,050,980
455	Virgin Islands Public Finance Authority, Gross Receipts Taxes Loan Note, Series 1999A, 6.375%, 10/01/19	10/12 at 100.00	BBB+	456,529
3,800	Total Tax Obligation/Limited Transportation – 4.2% (2.9% of Total Investments)			4,201,304
500	Massachusetts Port Authority, Airport System Revenue Bonds, Series 2010A, 5.000%, 7/01/30	7/20 at 100.00	AA	580,495
400	Massachusetts Port Authority, Special Facilities Revenue Bonds, BOSFUEL Corporation, Series 2007, 5.000%, 7/01/32 – FGIC Insured (Alternative Minimum Tax)	7/17 at 100.00	A2	417,132
260	Metropolitan Boston Transit Parking Corporation, Massachusetts, Systemwide Senior Lien Parking Revenue Bonds, Series 2011, 5.000%, 7/01/41	7/21 at 100.00	A+	286,803
1,160	Total Transportation U.S. Guaranteed – 9.9% (6.9% of Total Investments) (4)			1,284,430
530	Boston Water and Sewerage Commission, Massachusetts, General Revenue Bonds, Senior Series 2004A, 5.000%, 11/01/25 (Pre-refunded 11/01/14)	11/14 at 100.00	AA+ (4)	583,488
230	Massachusetts College Building Authority, Project Revenue Bonds, Series 2004A, 5.000%, 5/01/19 (Pre-refunded 5/01/14) – NPPG Insured	5/14 at 100.00	Aa2 (4)	247,724
250	Massachusetts College Building Authority, Project Revenue Bonds, Series 2006A, 5.000%, 5/01/31 (Pre-refunded 5/01/16) – AMBAC Insured	5/16 at 100.00	Aa2 (4)	291,040
500	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Milton Academy, Series 2003A, 5.000%, 9/01/19 (Pre-refunded 9/01/13)	9/13 at 100.00	AA– (4)	523,490
750	Massachusetts State, Special Obligation Dedicated Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2004, 5.250%, 1/01/25 (Pre-refunded 1/01/14) – FGIC Insured	1/14 at 100.00	A1 (4)	798,578
500	Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust, Pooled Loan Program Bonds, Series 2005-11, 4.500%, 8/01/29 (Pre-refunded 8/01/15)	8/15 at 100.00	AAA	560,440
2,760	Total U.S. Guaranteed Utilities – 5.2% (3.6% of Total Investments)			3,004,760
1,070	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Resource Recovery Revenue Bonds, SEMass System, Series 2001A, 5.625%, 1/01/14 – NPPG Insured	1/13 at 100.00	BBB	1,081,353
500			A–	502,500

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	Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency, Resource Recovery Revenue Refunding Bonds, Ogden Haverhill Project, Series 1998A, 5.600%, 12/01/19 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	12/12 at 100.00		
1,570	Total Utilities			1,583,853
	Water and Sewer – 3.3% (2.3% of Total Investments)			
125	Guam Government Waterworks Authority, Water and Wastewater System Revenue Bonds, Series 2005, 6.000%, 7/01/25	7/15 at 100.00	Ba2	128,970
400	Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust, Pooled Loan Program Bonds, Series 2006-12, 4.375%, 8/01/31 (UB)	8/16 at 100.00	AAA	426,192
200	Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust, Revenue Bonds, MWRA Loan Program, Series 2002A, 5.250%, 8/01/20	11/12 at 100.00	AAA	200,816
250	Massachusetts Water Resources Authority, General Revenue Bonds, Series 2006A, 4.000%, 8/01/46	8/16 at 100.00	AA+	252,788
975	Total Water and Sewer			1,008,766
\$ 41,180	Total Investments (cost \$40,741,922) – 143.8%			43,869,923
	Floating Rate Obligations – (1.8)%			(560,000)
	MuniFund Term Preferred Shares, at Liquidation Value – (48.3)% (6)			(14,725,000)
	Other Assets Less Liabilities – 6.3%			1,923,266
	Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares – 100%			\$ 30,508,189

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### Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the price that the Fund would receive upon selling an investment or transferring a liability in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market for the investment. A three-tier hierarchy is used to maximize the use of observable market data and minimize the use of unobservable inputs and to establish classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Observable inputs are based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs are based on the best information available in the circumstances. The following is a summary of the three-tiered hierarchy of valuation input levels.

Level 1 – Inputs are unadjusted and prices are determined using quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.

Level 2 – Prices are determined using other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).

Level 3 – Prices are determined using significant unobservable inputs (including management's assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The inputs or methodologies used for valuing securities are not an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities. The following is a summary of the Fund's fair value measurements as of the end of the reporting period:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Long-Term Investments:				
Municipal Bonds	\$—	\$43,869,923	\$—	\$43,869,923

The Nuveen funds' Board of Directors/Trustees is responsible for the valuation process and has delegated the oversight of the daily valuation process to the Adviser's Valuation Committee. The Valuation Committee, pursuant to the valuation policies and procedures adopted by the Board of Directors/Trustees, is responsible for making fair value determinations, evaluating the effectiveness of the funds' pricing policies, and reporting to the Board of Directors/Trustees. The Valuation Committee is aided in its efforts by the Adviser's dedicated Securities Valuation Team, which is responsible for administering the daily valuation process and applying fair value methodologies as approved by the Valuation Committee. When determining the reliability of independent pricing services for investments owned by the funds, the Valuation Committee, among other things, conducts due diligence reviews of the pricing services and monitors the quality of security prices received through various testing reports conducted by the Securities Valuation Team.

The Valuation Committee will consider pricing methodologies it deems relevant and appropriate when making fair value determinations. Examples of possible methodologies include, but are not limited to, multiple of earnings; discount from market of a similar freely traded security; discounted cash-flow analysis; book value or a multiple thereof; risk premium/yield analysis; yield to maturity; and/or fundamental investment analysis. The Valuation Committee will also consider factors it deems relevant and appropriate in light of the facts and circumstances. Examples of possible factors include, but are not limited to, the type of security; the issuer's financial statements; the purchase price of the security; the discount from market value of unrestricted securities of the same class at the time of purchase; analysts' research and observations from financial institutions; information regarding any transactions or offers with respect to the security; the existence of merger proposals or tender offers affecting the security; the price and extent of public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable companies; and the existence of a shelf registration for restricted securities.

For each portfolio security that has been fair valued pursuant to the policies adopted by the Board of Directors/Trustees, the fair value price is compared against the last available and next available market quotations. The Valuation Committee reviews the results of such testing and fair valuation occurrences are reported to the Board of Directors/Trustees.

#### Income Tax Information

The following information is presented on an income tax basis. Differences between amounts for financial statement and federal income tax purposes are primarily due to timing differences in recognizing taxable market discount, timing differences in recognizing certain gains and losses on investment transactions and the treatment of investments in inverse floating rate securities reflected as financing transactions, if any. To the extent that differences arise that are permanent in nature, such amounts are reclassified within the capital accounts on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities presented in the annual report, based on their federal tax basis treatment; temporary differences do not require reclassification. Temporary and permanent differences do not impact the net asset value of the Fund.

At August 31, 2012, the cost of investments was \$40,117,029.

Gross unrealized appreciation and gross unrealized depreciation of investments at August 31, 2012, were as follows:

Gross unrealized:	
Appreciation	\$3,380,152
Depreciation	(187,583)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments	\$3,192,569

- (1) All percentages shown in the Portfolio of Investments are based on net assets applicable to Common shares unless otherwise noted.
  - (2) Optional Call Provisions: Dates (month and year) and prices of the earliest optional call or redemption. There may be other call provisions at varying prices at later dates. Certain mortgage-backed securities may be subject to periodic principal paydowns.
  - (3) Ratings: Using the highest of Standard & Poor's Group ("Standard & Poor's"), Moody's Investor Service, Inc. ("Moody's") or Fitch, Inc. ("Fitch") rating. Ratings below BBB by Standard & Poor's, Baa by Moody's or BBB by Fitch are considered to be below investment grade. Holdings designated N/R are not rated by any of these national rating agencies.
  - (4) Backed by an escrow or trust containing sufficient U.S. Government or U.S. Government agency securities, which ensure the timely payment of principal and interest. Certain bonds backed by U.S. Government or agency securities are regarded as having an implied rating equal to the rating of such securities.
  - (5) At or subsequent to the end of the reporting period, this security is non-income producing. Non-income producing security, in the case of a bond, generally denotes that the issuer has (1) defaulted on the payment of principal or interest, (2) is under the protection of the Federal Bankruptcy Court or (3) the Fund's Adviser has concluded that the issue is not likely to meet its future interest payment obligations and has directed the Fund's custodian to cease accruing additional income on the Fund's records.
  - (6) MuniFund Term Preferred Shares, at Liquidation Value as a percentage of Total Investments is 33.6%.
- N/R Not rated.  
(IF) Inverse floating rate investment.  
(UB) Underlying bond of an inverse floating rate trust reflected as a financing transaction.



Item 2. Controls and Procedures.

- a. The registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act") (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))) are effective, as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph, based on their evaluation of the controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(b)) and Rule 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(b)).
  
- b. There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d))) that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3. Exhibits.

File as exhibits as part of this Form a separate certification for each principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the registrant as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-2(a)), exactly as set forth below: See EX-99 CERT attached hereto.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

(Registrant) Nuveen Massachusetts Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Kevin J. McCarthy  
Kevin J. McCarthy  
Vice President and Secretary

Date: October 30, 2012

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Gifford R. Zimmerman  
Gifford R. Zimmerman  
Chief Administrative Officer (principal executive officer)

Date: October 30, 2012

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Stephen D. Foy  
Stephen D. Foy  
Vice President and Controller (principal financial officer)

Date: October 30, 2012