

## ANGLO AMERICAN PLC/ANGLO AMERICAN CAPITAL PLC

(each incorporated with limited liability in England)

# U.S.\$10,000,000,000 Euro Medium Term Note Programme

unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed in the case of Notes issued by Anglo American Capital plc by

# Anglo American plc

Under this U.S.\$10,000,000,000 Euro Medium Term Note Programme (the "Programme"), each of Anglo American plc ("Anglo American") and Anglo American Capital plc ("Anglo American Capital") (each an "Issuer" and together the "Issuers") may from time to time issue notes (the "Notes") denominated in any currency agreed between the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer (as defined below).

The payment of all amounts owing in respect of Notes issued by Anglo American Capital ("Guaranteed Notes") will be unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by Anglo American (in such capacity, the "Guarantor"). The obligations of the Guarantor in this respect (the "Guarantee") are contained in the Trust Deed.

The maximum aggregate nominal amount of all Notes from time to time outstanding under the Programme will not exceed U.S.\$10,000,000,000 (or its equivalent in other currencies calculated as described herein), subject to increase as described herein.

The Notes may be issued on a continuing basis to one or more of the Dealers specified under "Overview of the Programme" and any additional Dealer appointed under the Programme from time to time by the Issuers (each a "Dealer" and together the "Dealers"), which appointment may be for a specific issue or on an ongoing basis. References in this Offering Circular to the "relevant Dealer" shall, in the case of an issue of Notes being (or intended to be) subscribed by more than one Dealer, be to all Dealers agreeing to subscribe such Notes.

Prospective investors should have regard to the factors described in the "Risk Factors" section in this Offering Circular.

Application has been made to the Financial Services Authority in its capacity as competent authority under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "UK Listing Authority") for Notes issued under the Programme during the period of 12 months from the date of this Offering Circular to be admitted to the official list of the UK Listing Authority (the "Official List") and to the London Stock Exchange plc (the "London Stock Exchange") for such Notes to be admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's regulated market. References in this Offering Circular to Notes being listed (and all related references) shall mean that such Notes have been admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's regulated market and have been admitted to the Official List. The London Stock Exchange's regulated market is a regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2004/39/EC (the "Markets in Financial Instruments Directive").

Notice of the aggregate nominal amount of Notes, interest (if any) payable in respect of Notes, the issue price of Notes and any other terms and conditions not contained herein which are applicable to each Tranche (as defined under "Terms and Conditions of the Notes") of Notes will be set out in a final terms (the "Final Terms") which, with respect to Notes to be listed on the London Stock Exchange will be delivered to the UK Listing Authority and the London Stock Exchange on or before the date of issue of the Notes of such Tranche.

The Programme provides that Notes may be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on such other or further stock exchanges as may be agreed between the relevant Issuer (in the case of Guaranteed Notes), the Guarantor and the relevant Dealer. The Issuers may also issue unlisted Notes and/or Notes not admitted to trading on any market.

Tranches of Notes may be rated or unrated. Where a Tranche of Notes is rated, the rating assigned to the Notes and details of the relevant rating agency will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. A rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to suspension, reduction or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating agency.

Each of the Issuers may agree with any Dealer and The Law Debenture Trust Corporation p.l.c. as trustee that Notes may be issued in a form not contemplated by the Terms and Conditions of the Notes herein, in which event a supplemental Offering Circular, if appropriate, will be made available which will describe the effect of the agreement reached in relation to such Notes.

## Arranger **Barclays Capital**

**Dealers** 

Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria S.A. Mitsubishi UFJ Securities International plc **BNP PARIBAS** Deutsche Bank Goldman Sachs International Mizuho International plc National Australia Bank Limited

Santander Global Banking & Markets **Barclays Capital** Citi Dresdner Kleinwort **HSBC** Morgan Stanley The Royal Bank of Scotland

**UBS Investment Bank** 

This Offering Circular comprises a base prospectus for the purposes of Article 5.4 of Directive 2003/71/EC (the "Prospectus Directive").

The Issuers and the Guarantor accept responsibility for the information contained in this Offering Circular. To the best of the knowledge of the Issuers and the Guarantor (each having taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this Offering Circular is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

This Offering Circular is to be read in conjunction with all documents which are incorporated herein by reference (see "Documents Incorporated by Reference" below). This Offering Circular shall be read and construed on the basis that such documents are incorporated and form part of this Offering Circular.

Subject as provided in the applicable Final Terms, the only persons authorised to use this Offering Circular in connection with an offer of Notes are the persons named in the applicable Final Terms as the relevant Dealer or manager, as the case may be.

Copies of each Final Terms will be available from 20 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AN and from the specified office set out below of each of the Paying Agents (as defined below).

Neither the Dealers nor the Trustee have independently verified the information contained in this Offering Circular. Accordingly, no representation, warranty or undertaking, express or implied, is made and no responsibility or liability is accepted by any of the Dealers or the Trustee as to the accuracy or completeness of the information contained or incorporated in this Offering Circular or any other information provided by either of the Issuers or the Guarantor in connection with the Programme. None of the Dealers or the Trustee accepts any liability in relation to the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Offering Circular or any other information provided by either of the Issuers or the Guarantor in connection with the Programme.

Notes will be issued in such denominations as may be agreed between the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) save that the minimum denomination of each Note will be such amount as may be allowed or required from time to time by the relevant central bank (or equivalent body) or any applicable laws or regulations, and save that the minimum denomination of each Note admitted to trading on a regulated market within the European Economic Area or offered to the public in a Member State of the European Economic Area in circumstances which require the publication of a prospectus under the Prospectus Directive will be €50,000 (or, if the Notes are denominated in a currency other than euro, the equivalent amount in such currency).

No person is or has been authorised by the Issuers, the Guarantor, the Dealers or the Trustee to give any information or to make any representation not contained in or not consistent with this Offering Circular or any other information supplied in connection with the Programme or the Notes and, if given or made, such information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Issuers, the Guarantor, any of the Dealers or the Trustee.

Neither this Offering Circular nor any other information supplied in connection with the Programme or any Notes (i) is intended to provide the basis of any credit or other evaluation or (ii) should be considered as a recommendation by the Issuers, the Guarantor, any of the Dealers or the Trustee that any recipient of this Offering Circular or any other information supplied in connection with the Programme or any Notes should purchase any Notes. Each investor contemplating purchasing any Notes should make its own independent investigation of the financial and business condition and affairs, and its own appraisal of the creditworthiness, of the Issuers and/or the Guarantor. Neither this Offering Circular nor any other information supplied in connection with the Programme or the issue of any Notes constitutes an offer or invitation by or on behalf of the Issuers, the Guarantor, any of the Dealers or the Trustee to any person to subscribe for or to purchase any Notes.

Neither the delivery of this Offering Circular nor the offering, sale or delivery of any Notes shall in any circumstances imply that the information contained herein concerning the Issuers and/or the Guarantor is correct at any time subsequent to the date hereof or that any other information supplied in connection with the Programme is correct as of any time subsequent to the date indicated in the document containing the same. The Dealers and the Trustee expressly do not undertake to review the financial condition or affairs of the Issuers or the Guarantor during the life of the Programme or to advise any investor in the Notes of any information coming to their attention.

The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and are subject to U.S. tax law requirements. Subject to certain exceptions, Notes may

not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account of, U.S. persons (see "Subscription and Sale").

This Offering Circular does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any Notes in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make the offer or solicitation in such jurisdiction. The distribution of this Offering Circular and the offer or sale of Notes may be restricted by law in certain jurisdictions. The Issuers, the Guarantor, the Dealers and the Trustee do not represent that this Offering Circular may be lawfully distributed, or that any Notes may be lawfully offered, in compliance with any applicable registration or other requirements in any such jurisdiction, or pursuant to an exemption available thereunder, or assume any responsibility for facilitating any such distribution or offering. In particular, no action has been taken by the Issuers, the Guarantor, any of the Dealers or the Trustee which is intended to permit a public offering of any Notes or distribution of this Offering Circular in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. Accordingly, no Notes may be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, and neither this Offering Circular nor any advertisement or other offering material may be distributed or published in any jurisdiction, except under circumstances that will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations. Persons into whose possession this Offering Circular or any Notes may come must inform themselves about, and observe, any such restrictions on the distribution of this Offering Circular and the offering and sale of Notes. In particular, there are restrictions on the distribution of this Offering Circular and the offer or sale of Notes in the United States, the European Economic Area (including the United Kingdom) and Japan (see "Subscription and Sale").

This Offering Circular has been prepared on the basis that any offer of Notes in any Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a "Relevant Member State") will be made pursuant to an exemption under the Prospectus Directive, as implemented in that Relevant Member State, from the requirement to publish a prospectus for offers of Notes. Accordingly any person making or intending to make an offer in that Relevant Member State of Notes which are the subject of an offering contemplated in this Offering Circular as completed by final terms in relation to the offer of those Notes may only do so in circumstances in which no obligation arises for the Issuer or any Dealer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive, in each case, in relation to such offer. Neither the Issuer nor any Dealer have authorised, nor do they authorise, the making of any offer of Notes in circumstances in which an obligation arises for the Issuer or any Dealer to publish or supplement a prospectus for such offer.

All references in this document to "U.S. dollars", "U.S.\$" and "\$" refer to United States dollars, "Sterling" and "£" refer to pounds sterling, "Rand", "R" and "ZAR" refer to the lawful currency of the Republic of South Africa, "Yen" and "¥" refer to Japanese Yen and "euro", and "€" refer to the currency introduced at the start of the third stage of European economic and monetary union pursuant to the Treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

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In connection with the issue of any Tranche of Notes, the Dealer or Dealers (if any) named as the Stabilising Manager(s) (or persons acting on behalf of any Stabilising Manager(s)) in the applicable Final Terms may over-allot Notes or effect transactions with a view to supporting the market price of the Notes at a level higher than that which might otherwise prevail. However, there is no assurance that the Stabilising Manager(s) (or persons acting on behalf of a Stabilising Manager) will undertake stabilisation action. Any stabilisation action may begin on or after the date on which adequate public disclosure of the terms of the offer of the relevant Tranche of Notes is made and, if begun, may be ended at any time, but it must end no later than the earlier of 30 days after the issue date of the relevant Tranche of Notes and 60 days after the date of the allotment of the relevant Tranche of Notes. Any stabilisation action or over-allotment must be conducted by the relevant Stabilising Manager(s) (or persons acting on behalf of any Stabilising Manager(s)) in accordance with all applicable laws and rules.

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#### OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAMME

The following overview does not purport to be complete and is taken from, and is qualified in its entirety by, the remainder of this Offering Circular and, in relation to the terms and conditions of any particular Tranche of Notes, the applicable Final Terms. The Issuer and any relevant Dealer may agree that Notes shall be issued in a form other than that contemplated in the Terms and Conditions, in which event, in the case of listed Notes only and if appropriate, a supplemental Offering Circular will be published. This overview constitutes a general description of the Programme for the purposes of Article 22.5(3) of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 809/2004 implementing the Prospectus Directive.

Words and expressions defined in "Form of the Notes" and "Terms and Conditions of the Notes" shall have the same meanings in this overview.

Anglo American plc

Issuers:

	Anglo American Capital plc
Guarantor:	Anglo American plc in respect of Notes issued by Anglo American Capital plc
Risk Factors:	There are certain factors that may affect the relevant Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under Notes issued under the Programme. These are set out under "Risk Factors" below. There are also certain factors that may affect the Guarantor's ability to fulfil its obligations under the Guarantee. These are also set out under "Risk Factors" below. It addition, there are certain factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Notes issued under the Programme. These are set out under "Risk Factors" and include the fact that the Notes may not be a suitable investment for all investors certain risks relating to the structure of particular Series of Notes and certain market risks.
Description:	Euro Medium Term Note Programme
Arranger:	Barclays Bank PLC
Dealers:	Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria, S.A. Banco Santander, S.A. Barclays Bank PLC BNP PARIBAS Citigroup Global Markets Limited Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch Dresdner Bank AG London Branch Goldman Sachs International HSBC Bank plc Mitsubishi UFJ Securities International plc Mizuho International plc Morgan Stanley & Co. International plc National Australia Bank Limited The Royal Bank of Scotland plc UBS Limited and any other Dealers appointed in accordance with the Programme Agreement.
Trustee:	The Law Debenture Trust Corporation p.l.c.
Certain Restrictions:	Each issue of Notes denominated in a currency in respect of which particular laws, guidelines, regulations, restrictions or reporting requirements apply will only be issued in circumstances which comply with such laws, guidelines, regulations, restrictions of

this Offering Circular.

reporting requirements from time to time (see "Subscription and Sale") including the following restrictions applicable at the date of

#### Notes having a maturity of less than one year

Notes having a maturity of less than one year will constitute deposits for the purposes of the prohibition on accepting deposits contained in section 19 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 unless they are issued to a limited class of professional investors and have a denomination of at least £100,000 or its equivalent in other currencies, see "Subscription and Sale".

Issuing and Principal Paying Agent:

Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch

Programme Size:

Up to U.S.\$10,000,000,000 (or its equivalent in other currencies) calculated as described in the Programme Agreement outstanding at any time. The Issuers and the Guarantor may increase the amount of the Programme in accordance with the terms of the Programme Agreement.

Distribution:

Notes may be distributed by way of private or public placement and in each case on a syndicated or non-syndicated basis.

Currencies:

Euro, Sterling, U.S. dollars, Yen and, subject to any applicable legal or regulatory restrictions, any other currency agreed between the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer.

Redenomination:

The applicable Final Terms may provide that certain Notes may be redenominated in euro.

Maturities:

The Notes will have such maturities as may be agreed between the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer, subject to such minimum or maximum maturities as may be allowed or required from time to time by the relevant central bank (or equivalent body) or any laws or regulations applicable to the relevant Issuer or the relevant Specified Currency.

Issue Price:

Notes may be issued on a fully-paid or a partly-paid basis and at an issue price which is at par or at a discount to, or premium over, par, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Form of Notes:

The Notes will be issued in bearer form only as described in "Form of the Notes".

Fixed Rate Notes:

Fixed interest will be payable in arrear on such date or dates as may be agreed between the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer as set out in the applicable Final Terms and on redemption and will be calculated on the basis of such Day Count Fraction as may be agreed between the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer.

Floating Rate Notes:

Floating Rate Notes will bear interest at a rate determined separately for each Series:

- (i) on the same basis as the floating rate under a notional interest rate swap transaction in the relevant Specified Currency governed by an agreement incorporating the 2006 ISDA Definitions (as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., and as amended and updated as at the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes of the relevant Series); or
- (ii) on the basis of a reference rate appearing on the agreed screen page of a commercial quotation service; or
- (iii) on such other basis as may be agreed between the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer.

The margin (if any) relating to such floating rate will be agreed

between the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer for each Series of Floating Rate Notes.

Payments of principal in respect of Index Linked Redemption Notes or of interest in respect of Index Linked Interest Notes will be calculated by reference to such index and/or formula or to changes in the prices of securities or commodities or to such other factors as the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer may agree (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms).

Floating Rate Notes and Index Linked Interest Notes may also have a maximum interest rate, a minimum interest rate or both.

Interest on Floating Rate Notes and Index Linked Interest Notes in respect of each Interest Period, as agreed prior to issue by the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer, will be payable on such Interest Payment Dates, and will be calculated on the basis of such Day Count Fraction, as may be agreed between the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer.

Payments (whether in respect of principal or interest and whether at maturity or otherwise) in respect of Dual Currency Notes will be made in such currencies, and based on such rates of exchange, as the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer may agree.

Zero Coupon Notes may be offered and sold at a discount to their nominal amount and will not bear interest.

The applicable Final Terms will indicate either that the relevant Notes cannot be redeemed prior to their stated maturity (other than in specified instalments, if applicable, or for taxation reasons or following an Event of Default) or that such Notes will be redeemable at the option of the relevant Issuer and/or the Noteholders upon giving notice to the Noteholders or the relevant Issuer, as the case may be, on a date or dates specified prior to such stated maturity and at a price or prices and on such other terms as may be agreed between the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer.

The applicable Final Terms may provide that Notes may be redeemable in two or more instalments of such amounts and on such dates as are indicated in the applicable Final Terms.

Notes having a maturity of less than one year are subject to restrictions on their denomination and distribution, see "Certain Restrictions — Notes having a maturity of less than one year" above.

Notes will be issued in such denominations as may be agreed between the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) save that the minimum denomination of each Note will be such amount as may be allowed or required from time to time by the relevant central bank (or equivalent body) or any laws or regulations applicable to the relevant Specified Currency, see "Certain Restrictions — Notes with a maturity of less than one year" above, and save that the minimum denomination of each Note admitted to trading on a regulated market within the European Economic Area or offered to the public in a Member State of the European Economic Area in circumstances which require the publication of a prospectus under the Prospectus Directive will be €50,000 (or, if the Notes are denominated in a currency other than euro, the equivalent amount in such currency).

All payments in respect of the Notes will be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of withholding taxes imposed by any Tax Jurisdiction unless required by law, as provided

Index Linked Notes:

Other provisions in relation to Floating Rate Notes and Index Linked Interest Notes:

**Dual Currency Notes:** 

Zero Coupon Notes:

Redemption:

Denomination of Notes:

Taxation:

in Condition 8. In the event that any such withholding or deduction is made, the relevant Issuer or, as the case may be, the Guarantor will, save in certain limited circumstances provided in Condition 8, be required to pay additional amounts to cover the amounts so deducted.

The terms of the Notes will contain a negative pledge provision as further described in Condition 3.

The terms of the Notes will contain a cross default provision as further described in Condition 10.

The Notes, and the obligations of the Guarantor under the Guarantee, will constitute (subject to the provisions of Condition 3) unsecured obligations of the relevant Issuer or, as the case may be, the Guarantor and will rank *pari passu* and without any preference among themselves. The payment obligations of the relevant Issuer, and of the Guarantor under the Guarantee, in respect of the Notes, Receipts and Coupons shall, save for such exceptions as may be provided by applicable legislation and subject to Condition 3, at all times rank at least equally with all their other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations.

The rating of certain Series of Notes to be issued under the Programme may be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Application has been made to the UK Listing Authority for Notes issued under the Programme to be admitted to the Official List and to the London Stock Exchange for such Notes to be admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's regulated market. The Programme provides that Notes may also be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on such other or further stock exchange(s) as may be agreed between the relevant Issuer, (in the case of Guaranteed Notes) the Guarantor and the relevant Dealer in relation to each Series.

Notes which are neither listed nor admitted to trading on any market may also be issued.

The applicable Final Terms will state whether or not the relevant Notes are to be listed and/or admitted to trading and, if so, on which stock exchange(s) and/or markets.

Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg (each as defined in "Form of the Notes") and in relation to any Tranche, such other clearing system as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

The Notes will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, English law.

There are restrictions on the offer, sale and transfer of the Notes in the United States, the European Economic Area (including the United Kingdom, France and the Netherlands) and Japan and such other restrictions as may be required in connection with the offering and sale of a particular Tranche of Notes, see "Subscription and Sale".

Negative Pledge:

Cross Default:

Status of the Notes and the Guarantee:

Ratings:

Listing and Admission to Trading:

Clearing Systems:

Governing Law:

Selling Restrictions:

#### RISK FACTORS

Each Issuer and the Guarantor believe that the following factors may affect its ability to fulfil its obligations under Notes issued under the Programme. Most of these factors are contingencies which may or may not occur and neither the Issuers nor the Guarantor is in a position to express a view on the likelihood of any such contingency occurring.

In addition, factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Notes issued under the Programme are also described below.

Each Issuer and the Guarantor believes that the factors described below represent the principal risks inherent in investing in Notes issued under the Programme, but the inability of the Issuer or the Guarantor to pay interest, principal or other amounts on or in connection with any Notes may occur for other reasons which may not be considered significant risks by the Issuer and the Guarantor based on information currently available to them or which they may not currently be able to anticipate. Prospective investors should also read the detailed information set out elsewhere in this Offering Circular and reach their own views prior to making any investment decision.

# Factors that may affect the Issuers' ability to fulfil their obligations under Notes issued under the Programme and the Guarantor's ability to fulfil its obligations under the Guarantee in respect of such Notes

Unless otherwise specified by reference to Anglo American or Anglo American Capital, the risks apply in the context of the Group (as defined in "Description of Anglo American plc and the Anglo American Group"), and are also applicable to each of Anglo American plc and Anglo American Capital plc.

In this context, the following specific risks have been identified:

# The business, results of operations, cash flows and financial condition of the Group may be adversely affected by commodity price fluctuations and the continuation of poor economic conditions.

Commodity prices are determined primarily by international markets and global supply and demand. Fluctuations in commodity prices give rise to commodity price risk across the Group. Historically, such prices have been subject to substantial variation and in 2008 there was a very rapid and significant reduction in commodity prices during the second half of the year. The continuation of severe global economic conditions may continue to exert downward pressure on commodity prices, which could result in material and adverse declines in the revenues, results of operations, cash flows and financial condition of the Group.

Adverse and volatile economic conditions can also limit the Group's visibility in terms of anticipated revenues and costs, and can affect the ability of the Group to implement planned projects. In December 2008, for example, the Group announced that it was reducing planned capital expenditures for 2009 by 50% in response to a changing economic outlook. In addition, rating agencies and industry analysts are likely to take such conditions into account when assessing the business and creditworthiness of the Group, and any adverse determinations, including ratings downgrades, may make it more difficult for the Group to raise capital in the future and may adversely affect the market price of the Notes.

If the global economic environment remains weak for the medium to long term, the ability of the Group to grow or maintain revenues in future years may be adversely affected, and at certain long-term price levels for a given commodity, certain of the Group's extractive operations with respect to that commodity may not be economic. Such developments could have a materially adverse effect on the business, operational results, cash flows and financial condition of the Group.

## The business of the Group may be adversely affected by liquidity and counterparty risk.

The Group is exposed to liquidity risk arising from the need to finance its ongoing operations and growth. During 2008 and continuing into 2009, global credit markets have been severely constrained, and the Group's ability to obtain funding has been significantly reduced. Furthermore, the cost of obtaining funding has increased significantly.

In February 2009, both Standard & Poor's Ratings Services and Moody's Investor Services downgraded the Group's long-term corporate and senior unsecured debt ratings to BBB (negative outlook) and Baa1 (negative outlook), respectively. Both the recent downgrade and any further lowering of the Group's credit rating may have a negative impact on its ability to obtain funding and may increase the cost of financing.

If the Group is unable to obtain sufficient credit, either due to banking and capital market conditions generally, or due to factors specific to its business, the Group may not have sufficient cash to develop new projects, fund acquisitions or meet ongoing financing needs, which in turn could materially and adversely affect the revenues, operating results, cash flows and financial condition of the Group.

In December 2009, Anglo American's U.S.\$3 billion revolving bank facility will mature (\$1.1 billion of such facility was drawn as of 31 December 2008 and, pursuant to certain reductions since the date of the facility, the amount of the commitments under such facility was U.S.\$1.2 billion as at 19 March 2009) and in December 2010, a £300 million Euro bond will mature. In order to meet these and other debt service obligations, including payments of interest and principal on the Notes, the Group will need to refinance such indebtedness or use proceeds from operating cash flows or disposals of assets. There can be no assurance, however, that such proceeds will be sufficient or that refinancing will be available on commercially viable terms. Any failure to meet the Group's debt service obligations would have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Group and could result in a loss of all or part of investors' investment in the Notes.

In addition, the Group is exposed to counterparty risk from customers or holders of cash that could result in financial losses should those counterparties become unable to meet their obligations to the Group. Furthermore, the Treasury operations of the Group's joint ventures and associates, including De Beers, are independently managed and may expose the Group to liquidity, counterparty and other financial risks.

Should the Group's counterparties be unable to meet their obligations to the Group, or should the treasury operations of the Group's joint ventures or associates incur losses, the operating results, cash flows and financial condition of the Group could be materially and adversely affected.

## The Group may be adversely affected by currency exchange rate fluctuations.

Because of the global nature of the Group's business, the Group is exposed to currency risk principally where transactions are not conducted in U.S. dollars or where assets and liabilities are not U.S. dollar-denominated. The majority of the Group's sales revenue is denominated in U.S. dollars, while the majority of operating costs are influenced by the currencies of the countries where the Group's operations are located and by the currencies in which the costs of imported equipment and services are denominated. The South African rand, Chilean peso, Brazilian real, Australian dollar, euro, Sterling and U.S. dollar are the most important currencies influencing the Group's operating costs and asset valuations. Fluctuations in the exchange rates of these currencies may adversely affect the Group's operating results, cash flows or financial condition to a material extent.

## Inflation may have an adverse effect on the Group's results of operations and cash flows.

Because the Group generally cannot control the market price at which commodities it produces are sold, it may be unable to pass through increased costs of production to its customers. As a result, it is possible that significantly higher future inflation in the countries in which the Group operates may increase future operational costs without a corresponding increase in the U.S. dollar price of the commodities the Group produces, or a concurrent depreciation of the local currency against the U.S. dollar.

Cost inflation in the mining sector is more apparent during periods of high commodity prices because demand for mining-related products and services can tend to exceed supply during such periods, although such inflation can occur at any point in the commodity cycle. A lag in the reduction of input costs relative to declining commodity prices will have a similar negative effect on the Group's operations. Any such increased costs or delays in cost reductions may adversely affect the Group's profit margins, cash flows and results of operations, and such effects could be material.

# Safety, health and environmental exposures and related regulations may expose the Group to increased litigation, compliance costs, interruptions to operations, unforeseen environmental remediation expenses and loss of reputation.

Mining is a hazardous industry and is highly regulated by safety, health and environmental laws. Failure to provide a safe working environment may result in government authorities forcing closure of mines on a temporary or permanent basis or refusing mining right applications. A failure to achieve the required high levels of safety management can result in harm to the Group's employees, the communities near the Group's operations, and the environment. As a consequence, the Group could face fines and penalties, liability to employees and third parties for injury, statutory liability for environmental remediation, and other financial consequences, which may be significant. The Group is currently subject to ongoing litigation relating to several of these areas of risk, and may face additional litigation in the future. The Group could also suffer impairment of the its reputation, industrial action or difficulty in recruiting and retaining skilled employees. Any future changes in laws, regulations or community expectations governing the Group's operations could result in increased compliance and remediation costs.

Any of the foregoing developments could have a materially adverse effect on the results of operations, cash flows or financial condition of the Group.

# Existing and proposed legislation and regulation affecting greenhouse gas emissions may adversely affect certain of the Group's operations.

Anglo American is a large user of energy and one of the key commodities it produces is coal. Various regulatory measures aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving energy efficiency may affect the Group's operations and customer demand for its products over time. Policy developments at an international, regional, national and sub-national level, including those related to the 1997 Kyoto Protocol and emissions trading systems, such as the Emissions Trading System of the European Union, could adversely affect the profitability of the Group's greenhouse gas-intensive and energy-intensive assets.

# Actions by governments or political instability in the countries in which the Group operates could adversely affect the Group's business.

The Group's businesses may be affected by political or regulatory developments in any of the countries and jurisdictions in which the Group operates. These may include changes to fiscal regimes or other regulatory regimes that may result in restrictions on the export of currency, expropriation of assets, imposition of royalties and requirements for local ownership or beneficiation. Political instability can also result in civil unrest or nullification of existing agreements, mining leases, or permits. Any of these risks may materially and adversely affect the Group's results of operations, cash flows and financial condition or deprive the Group of the economic benefits of ownership of its assets. In January 2008, for example, the Venezuelan Ministry of Basic Industries and Mining issued a notice cancelling 13 of the exploration and exploitation concessions of Anglo American's subsidiary, Minera Loma de Nīquel ("MLdN") due to MLdN's alleged failure to fulfil certain conditions of the concessions. Please refer to the section titled "Description of Anglo American plc and the Anglo American Group — Litigation — Proceedings in Venezuela".

# The Group's operations and development projects could be adversely affected by shortages of, as well as lead times to deliver, certain key inputs.

The inability to obtain, in a timely manner, strategic consumables, raw materials, mining and processing equipment could have an adverse impact on results of operations and the Group's financial condition. The strong commodity cycle witnessed in recent years increased demand for such supplies, resulting in periods when supplies were not always available to meet demand when required or causing costs to increase above normal inflation rates. Any interruption to the Group's supplies or increase in costs would adversely affect the Group's operating results and cash flows, and such effects could be material.

# The use of mining contractors at certain of the Group's operations may expose those operations to delays or suspensions in mining activities.

Mining contractors are used at a number of the Group's operations to perform various operational tasks, including carrying out mining activities and delivering ore to processing plants. In periods of high commodity prices, demand for contractors may exceed supply resulting in increased costs or lack of availability of key contractors. Disruptions of operations or increased costs also can occur as a result of disputes with contractors or a shortage of contractors with particular capabilities. Additionally, because the Group does not have the same control over contractors as it does over employees, there is a risk that contractors will not operate in accordance with the Group's safety standards or other policies. To the extent that any of the foregoing risks materialise, the operating results and cash flows of the Group could be adversely affected, perhaps materially.

#### The Group may have less reserves than its estimates indicate.

The Group's Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves estimates are stated as of 31 December 2008 and are subject to a number of assumptions, including the price of commodities, production costs and recovery rates. Fluctuations in the variables underlying the Group's estimates may result in material changes to the Group's reserve estimates in the future, and such changes may have a materially adverse impact on the financial condition and prospects of the Group.

# Failure to discover new reserves, enhance existing reserves or adequately develop new projects could adversely affect the Group's business.

Exploration and development are costly, speculative and often unproductive, but are necessary for the Group's business. Failure to discover new reserves, to maintain the Group's existing mineral rights, to enhance existing reserves or to extract resources from such reserves in sufficient amounts and in a timely manner could materially and adversely affect the results of operations, cash flows, financial condition and prospects of the Group. In addition, the Group may not be able to recover the funds it spends identifying new mining opportunities through its exploration program.

Increasingly stringent requirements relating to regulatory, environmental and social approvals can result in significant delays in construction of the Group's facilities and may adversely affect the economics of new mining projects, the expansion of existing operations and, consequently the results of operations, cash flows and financial condition of the Group, and such effects could be material.

# Damage to or breakdown of a physical asset, including due to fire, explosion or natural catastrophe may adversely affect the Group's operating results and result in loss of revenue, loss of cash flow or other losses.

Damage to or breakdown of a physical asset, including as a result of fire, explosion or natural catastrophe, can result in a loss of assets and subsequent financial losses. The Group's operations are exposed to natural risks such as earthquake, extreme weather conditions, failure of mining pit slopes and tailing dam walls, and other natural phenomena. The Group's insurance with respect to catastrophic event risk may not be sufficient to cover its financial loss flowing from an event, and insurance is not available or is unavailable on economically viable terms for many risks the Group may face. The occurrence of events for which the Group is not insured, or for which the Group's insurance is insufficient, may materially and adversely affect the revenues, operating results, cash flows and financial condition of the Group.

# The Group's operations and development projects could be adversely affected by shortages of appropriately skilled employees, for whom the Group competes with mining and other companies to recruit, develop and retain.

The ability to recruit, develop and retain appropriate skills for the Group is made difficult by global competition for skilled labour, particularly in periods of high commodity prices when demand for such personnel typically increases. The failure to retain skilled employees or to recruit new staff may lead to increased costs, interruptions to existing operations and delay of new projects.

# Labour disruptions could have an adverse effect on the Group's results of operations, cash flows and financial condition.

There is a risk that strikes or other types of conflict with unions or employees may occur at any one of the Group's operations or in any of the geographic regions in which the Group operates. A significant portion of the Group's workforce is unionised, especially in South Africa and South America. Labour disruptions may be used not only for reasons specific to the Group's business, but also to advocate labour, political or social goals. Any labour disruptions could increase operational costs and decrease revenues, and if such disruptions are material, they could adversely affect, possibly significantly, the results of operations, cash flows and financial condition of the Group.

# Adverse market conditions could affect the Group's ability to carry out certain transactions that are important to its business.

Beyond the direct impact on the Group's business, falling commodity prices and the lack of available credit markets could prevent the Group from carrying out certain transactions that are important to the Group's business. In particular, the Group may be unable to complete black economic empowerment ("BEE") transactions in South Africa because BEE partners may be unable to finance their investments or be required to restructure their investments. The Group may also face other consequences, such as a reduced ability to find suitable joint venture partners or to find buyers for businesses or assets the Group may wish to sell. The Group's inability to carry out important transactions may have an adverse effect on the business and financial condition of the Group.

# Failure to meet production, construction, delivery and cost targets can adversely affect both operational performance and the Group's ability to implement projects in a timely and efficient manner, resulting in increased costs.

Failure to meet production targets can result in increased unit costs, and such increases may be especially pronounced at operations with higher levels of fixed costs. Unit costs may exceed forecasts, adversely affecting performance and results of operations. In addition, failure to meet project delivery times and costs could have a negative effect on operational performance and lead to increased costs or reductions in revenue and profitability. Such increases could materially and adversely affect the economics of a project, and consequently the Group's results of operations, cash flows and financial condition.

## The Group may not achieve projected benefits of acquisitions.

The Group has undertaken a number of acquisitions in the recent past, including the Minas-Rio Project in Brazil. With any such transaction there is the risk that any benefits or synergies identified at the time of acquisition may not be achieved as a result of changing or incorrect assumptions or materially different market conditions, resulting in adverse affects on financial performance, production volumes or product quality. Furthermore, the Group could find itself liable for past acts or omissions of the acquired business without any adequate right of redress.

# Restrictions in the Group's ability to access necessary infrastructure services, including transportation and utilities, may adversely affect the Group's operations.

Inadequate supply of the critical infrastructure elements for mining activity could result in reduced production or sales volumes, which could have a negative effect on the Group's financial performance. Disruptions in the supply of essential utility services, such as water and electricity, can halt the Group's production for the duration of the disruption and when unexpected, may cause loss of life or damage to the Group's mining equipment or facilities, which may in turn affect the Group's ability to recommence operations on a timely basis. Adequate provision of transportation services, in particular rail services and timely port access, are critical to getting the Group's products to market and disruptions to such services may affect the Group's operations. The Group is largely dependent on third party providers of utility and transportation services and therefore their provision of services, maintenance of networks and expansion and contingency plans are outside the Group's control.

During 2008, the Group experienced power outages in several of the regions in which it operates, including most significantly in South Africa, where electrical power supply problems experienced in early 2008 caused substantial disruption to mining operations across the country. At present it is difficult to forecast accurately the impact of any new instances, continuation or exacerbation of power shortages, either in South Africa or in other regions, in the near or long term. However, any such events are likely to affect adversely the Group's production volumes and may increase the Group's costs, which would in turn adversely affect the results of operations and cash flows of the Group, and such effects could be material.

# Failure to manage relationships with local communities, government and non-government organisations could adversely affect future growth potential of the Group.

As a consequence of public concern about the perceived ill effects of economic globalisation, businesses generally and in particular large multinational corporations such as the Group face increasing public scrutiny of their activities. In addition, the Group operates in several countries where ownership of rights in respect of land and resources is uncertain and where disputes in relation to ownership or other community matters may arise. These disputes are not always predictable and may cause disruption to projects or operations. The Group's operations can also have an impact on local communities, including the need, from time to time, to relocate communities or infrastructure networks such as railways and utility services. Failure to manage relationships with local communities, government and non-government organisations may adversely affect the Group's reputation, as well as its ability to bring projects into production, which could in turn affect the revenues, results of operations and cash flows of the Group, potentially in a material manner.

# The Group faces certain risks from the high infection rates of HIV/AIDS that may adversely affect its business and the communities in which it operates.

The Group recognises that the HIV/AIDS epidemic in sub-Saharan Africa is a significant threat to economic growth and development in that region and affects its business. In addition to the costs associated with the provision of anti-retroviral therapy to employees and occupational health services (both of which will increase if the incidence of HIV/AIDS spreads), there is a risk that the recruitment and retention of the skilled personnel needed to maintain and grow the Group's business in southern Africa (and other regions where HIV/AIDS is a major social issue), will not be possible. If this occurs, the Group's business would be adversely affected.

#### The Group's non-controlled assets may not comply with the Group's standards.

Some of the Group's operations are controlled and managed by joint venture partners, associates or by other companies. Management of non-controlled assets may not comply with the Group's standards, for example, on safety, health and environmental matters or on financial or other controls and procedures. This may lead to higher costs and lower production and adversely affect the Group's results of operations, cash flows, financial condition or reputation.

# Certain factors may affect the Group's ability to support the carrying value of its property, plants and equipment, acquired properties, investments and goodwill on the Group's balance sheet.

The Group reviews and tests the carrying value of its assets when events or changes in circumstances suggest that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. If there are indications that impairment may have occurred, the Group prepares estimates of expected future cash flows for each group of assets. Expected future cash flows are inherently uncertain, and could materially change over time. They are significantly affected by reserve and production estimates, together with economic factors such as spot and forward commodity prices, discount rates, currency exchange rates, estimates of costs to produce reserves and future capital expenditure.

If any of these uncertainties occur either alone or in combination, it could require Anglo American's management to recognise an impairment, which could materially and adversely affect the results of operations or financial condition of the Group.

## Inaccurate assumptions in respect of critical accounting judgments could adversely affect financial results.

In the course of preparing financial statements, Anglo American's management necessarily makes judgments and estimates that can have a significant impact on the Group's financial statements. The most critical of these relate to estimation of the useful economic life of assets and ore reserves, impairment of assets, restoration, rehabilitation and environmental costs and retirement benefits. The use of inaccurate assumptions in calculations for any of these estimates could have a significant impact on the results of operations and financial condition of the Group.

# The holding company structure of the Group means that the claims of creditors of subsidiaries of Anglo American will generally have priority over claims on the guarantee obligations.

Anglo American is a holding company and derives the majority of its operating income and cash flow from its subsidiaries. It must rely upon distributions from its subsidiaries to generate funds necessary to meet its obligations, including any payments under the Guarantee in respect of Notes issued by Anglo American Capital. The Notes, and the obligations of Anglo American under the Guarantee will constitute (subject to the provisions of Condition 3) unsecured obligations of the relevant Issuer, or as the case may be, the Guarantor, and will rank *pari passu* with all their other future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations. These obligations will also be structurally subordinated to the holders of secured and unsecured debt and other creditors of subsidiaries of Anglo American.

#### Anglo American Capital is a finance vehicle, with no independent business operations.

Anglo American Capital plc is a finance vehicle, the primary business of which is the raising of money for the purpose of on-lending to other members of the Group. Accordingly, substantially all the assets of Anglo American Capital are loans and advances made to other members of the Group. The ability of Anglo American to satisfy its obligations in respect of the Notes depends upon payments being made to it by other members of the Group in respect of loans and advances made by it.

# Factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Notes issued under the Programme

#### The Notes may not be a suitable investment for all investors

Each potential investor in the Notes must determine the suitability of that investment in light of its own circumstances. In particular, each potential investor should:

- (i) have sufficient knowledge and experience to make a meaningful evaluation of the Notes, the merits and risks of investing in the Notes and the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Offering Circular or any applicable supplement;
- (ii) have access to, and knowledge of, appropriate analytical tools to evaluate, in the context of its particular financial situation, an investment in the Notes and the impact the Notes will have on its overall investment portfolio;
- (iii) have sufficient financial resources and liquidity to bear all of the risks of an investment in the Notes, including Notes with principal or interest payable in one or more currencies, or where the currency for principal or interest payments is different from the potential investor's currency;
- (iv) understand thoroughly the terms of the Notes and be familiar with the behaviour of any relevant indices and financial markets; and
- (v) be able to evaluate (either alone or with the help of a financial adviser) possible scenarios for economic, interest rate and other factors that may affect its investment and its ability to bear the applicable risks.

Some Notes are complex financial instruments. Sophisticated institutional investors generally do not purchase complex financial instruments as stand-alone investments. They purchase complex financial instruments as a way to reduce risk or enhance yield with an understood, measured, appropriate addition of risk to their overall portfolios. A potential investor should not invest in Notes which are complex financial instruments unless it has the expertise (either alone or with a financial adviser) to evaluate how the Notes will perform under changing conditions, the resulting effects on the value of the Notes and the impact this investment will have on the potential investor's overall investment portfolio.

#### Risks related to the structure of a particular issue of Notes

A wide range of Notes may be issued under the Programme. A number of these Notes may have features which contain particular risks for potential investors. Set out below is a description of the most common of such features:

Notes subject to optional redemption by the relevant Issuer

An optional redemption feature of Notes is likely to limit their market value. During any period when the relevant Issuer may elect to redeem Notes, the market value of those Notes generally will not rise substantially above the price at which they can be redeemed. This also may be true prior to any redemption period.

The Issuers may be expected to redeem Notes when its cost of borrowing is lower than the interest rate on the Notes. At those times, an investor generally would not be able to reinvest the redemption proceeds at an effective interest rate as high as the interest rate on the Notes being redeemed and may only be able to do so at a significantly lower rate. Potential investors should consider reinvestment risk in light of other investments available at that time.

#### Index Linked Notes and Dual Currency Notes

The Issuers may issue Notes with principal or interest determined by reference to an index or formula, to changes in the prices of securities or commodities, to movements in currency exchange rates or other factors (each, a "Relevant Factor"). In addition, the Issuers may issue Notes with principal or interest payable in one or more currencies which may be different from the currency in which the Notes are denominated. Potential investors should be aware that:

- (i) the market price of such Notes may be volatile;
- (ii) they may receive no interest;
- (iii) payment of principal or interest may occur at a different time or in a different currency than expected;
- (iv) they may lose all or a substantial portion of their principal;
- (v) a Relevant Factor may be subject to significant fluctuations that may not correlate with changes in interest rates, currencies or other indices;
- (vi) if a Relevant Factor is applied to Notes in conjunction with a multiplier greater than one or contains some other leverage factor, the effect of changes in the Relevant Factor on principal or interest payable likely will be magnified; and
- (vii) the timing of changes in a Relevant Factor may affect the actual yield to investors, even if the average level is consistent with their expectations. In general, the earlier the change in the Relevant Factor, the greater the effect on yield.

The historical experience of an index should not be viewed as an indication of the future performance of such index during the term of any Index Linked Notes. Accordingly, each potential investor should consult its own financial and legal advisers about the risk entailed by an investment in any Index Linked Notes and the suitability of such Notes in light of its particular circumstances.

#### Partly-paid Notes

The Issuers may issue Notes where the issue price is payable in more than one instalment. Failure to pay any subsequent instalment could result in an investor losing all of his investment.

Variable rate Notes with a multiplier or other leverage factor

Notes with variable interest rates can be volatile investments. If they are structured to include multipliers or other leverage factors, or caps or floors, or any combination of those features or other similar related features, their market values may be even more volatile than those for securities that do not include those features.

## Inverse Floating Rate Notes

Inverse Floating Rate Notes have an interest rate equal to a fixed rate minus a rate based upon a reference rate such as LIBOR. The market values of those Notes typically are more volatile than market values of other conventional floating rate debt securities based on the same reference rate (and with otherwise comparable terms). Inverse Floating Rate Notes are more volatile because an increase in the reference rate not only decreases the interest rate of

the Notes, but may also reflect an increase in prevailing interest rates, which further adversely affects the market value of these Notes.

#### Fixed/Floating Rate Notes

Fixed/Floating Rate Notes may bear interest at a rate that converts from a fixed rate to a floating rate, or from a floating rate to a fixed rate. Where the relevant Issuer has the right to effect such a conversion, this will affect the secondary market and the market value of the Notes since the relevant Issuer may be expected to convert the rate when it is likely to produce a lower overall cost of borrowing. If the relevant Issuer converts from a fixed rate to a floating rate in such circumstances, the spread on the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes may be less favourable than then prevailing spreads on comparable Floating Rate Notes tied to the same reference rate. In addition, the new floating rate at any time may be lower than the rates on other Notes. If the relevant Issuer converts from a floating rate to a fixed rate in such circumstances, the fixed rate may be lower than then prevailing rates on its Notes.

## Notes issued at a substantial discount or premium

The market values of securities issued at a substantial discount or premium from their principal amount tend to fluctuate more in relation to general changes in interest rates than do prices for conventional interest-bearing securities. Generally, the longer the remaining term of the securities, the greater the price volatility as compared to conventional interest-bearing securities with comparable maturities.

#### Risks related to Notes generally

Set out below is a brief description of certain risks relating to the Notes generally:

Modification, waivers and substitution

The conditions of the Notes contain provisions for calling meetings of Noteholders to consider matters affecting their interests generally. These provisions permit defined majorities to bind all Noteholders including Noteholders who did not attend and vote at the relevant meeting and Noteholders who voted in a manner contrary to the majority.

The conditions of the Notes also provide that the Trustee may, without the consent of Noteholders, agree to (i) any modification of, or to the waiver or authorisation of any breach or proposed breach of, any of the provisions of Notes or (ii) determine without the consent of the Noteholders that any Event of Default or potential Event of Default shall not be treated as such or (iii) the substitution of another company as principal debtor under any Notes in place of the relevant Issuer, in the circumstances described in Condition 16.

#### EU Savings Directive

Under EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income (the "Savings Directive"), Member States are required to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State details of payments of interest (or similar income) paid by a person within its jurisdiction to an individual resident, or to certain limited types of entities established, in that other Member State. However, for a transitional period, Belgium, Luxembourg and Austria are instead required (unless during that period they elect otherwise) to operate a withholding system in relation to such payments (the ending of such transitional period being dependent upon the conclusion of certain other agreements relating to information exchange with certain other countries). A number of non-EU countries and territories including Switzerland have adopted similar measures (a withholding system in the case of Switzerland).

On 15 September 2008, the European Commission issued a report to the Council of the European Union on the operation of the Savings Directive, which included the European Commission's advice on the need for changes to the Savings Directive. On 13 November 2008, the European Commission published a more detailed proposal for amendments to the Savings Directive, which included a number of suggested changes. If any of those proposed changes are made in relation to the Savings Directive, they would amend or broaden the scope of the requirements described above.

If a payment were to be made or collected through a Member State which has opted for a withholding system and an amount of, or in respect of tax were to be withheld from that payment, neither the relevant Issuer nor any Paying Agent nor any other person would be obliged to pay additional amounts with respect to any Note as a result of the imposition of such withholding tax. Each Issuer is required to maintain a Paying Agent in a Member State that will not be obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to the Savings Directive.

#### Change of law

The conditions of the Notes are based on English law in effect as at the date of this Offering Circular. No assurance can be given as to the impact of any possible judicial decision or change to English law or administrative practice after the date of this Offering Circular.

Notes where denominations involve integral multiples: definitive Notes

In relation to any issue of Notes which have denominations consisting of a minimum Specified Denomination plus one or more higher integral multiples of another smaller amount, it is possible that such Notes may be traded in amounts that are not integral multiples of such minimum Specified Denomination. In such a case a holder who, as a result of trading such amounts, holds an amount which is less than the minimum Specified Denomination in his account with the relevant clearing system at the relevant time may not receive a definitive Note in respect of such holding (should definitive Notes be printed) and would need to purchase a principal amount of Notes such that its holding amounts to a Specified Denomination.

If definitive Notes are issued, holders should be aware that definitive Notes which have a denomination that is not an integral multiple of the minimum Specified Denomination may be illiquid and difficult to trade.

## Risks related to the market generally

Set out below is a brief description of the principal market risks, including liquidity risk, exchange rate risk, interest rate risk and credit risk:

The secondary market generally

Notes may have no established trading market when issued, and one may never develop. If a market does develop, it may not be very liquid. Therefore, investors may not be able to sell their Notes easily or at prices that will provide them with a yield comparable to similar investments that have a developed secondary market. This is particularly the case for Notes that are especially sensitive to interest rate, currency or market risks, are designed for specific investment objectives or strategies or have been structured to meet the investment requirements of limited categories of investors. These types of Notes generally would have a more limited secondary market and more price volatility than conventional debt securities. Illiquidity may have a severely adverse effect on the market value of Notes.

### Exchange rate risks and exchange controls

The Issuers will pay principal and interest on the Notes and the Guarantor will make any payments under the Guarantee in the Specified Currency. This presents certain risks relating to currency conversions if an investor's financial activities are denominated principally in a currency or currency unit (the "Investor's Currency") other than the Specified Currency. These include the risk that exchange rates may significantly change (including changes due to devaluation of the Specified Currency or revaluation of the Investor's Currency) and the risk that authorities with jurisdiction over the Investor's Currency may impose or modify exchange controls. An appreciation in the value of the Investor's Currency relative to the Specified Currency would decrease (i) the Investor's Currency-equivalent yield on the Notes, (ii) the Investor's Currency equivalent value of the principal payable on the Notes and (iii) the Investor's Currency equivalent market value of the Notes.

Government and monetary authorities may impose (as some have done in the past) exchange controls that could adversely affect an applicable exchange rate. As a result, investors may receive less interest or principal than expected, or no interest or principal.

## Interest rate risks

Investment in Fixed Rate Notes involves the risk that subsequent changes in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Fixed Rate Notes.

## Credit ratings may not reflect all risks

One or more independent credit rating agencies may assign credit ratings to the Notes. The ratings may not reflect the potential impact of all risks related to structure, market, additional factors discussed above, and other factors that may affect the value of the Notes. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be revised or withdrawn by the rating agency at any time.

## Legal investment considerations may restrict certain investments

The investment activities of certain investors are subject to legal investment laws and regulations, or review or regulation by certain authorities. Each potential investor should consult its legal advisers to determine whether and to what extent (i) Notes are legal investments for it, (ii) Notes can be used as collateral for various types of borrowing and (iii) other restrictions apply to its purchase or pledge of any Notes. Financial institutions should consult their legal advisors or the appropriate regulators to determine the appropriate treatment of Notes under any applicable risk-based capital or similar rules.

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The following documents which have previously been published or are published simultaneously with this Offering Circular and have been filed with the Financial Services Authority shall be incorporated in, and to form part of, this Offering Circular:

- (a) the auditor's report and audited non-consolidated annual financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2007 and 31 December 2008 of Anglo American Capital;
- (b) the auditor's report and audited consolidated annual financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2007 of Anglo American which can be found at pages 86-135 of Anglo American's annual report for the financial year ended 31 December 2007;
- (c) the auditor's report and audited consolidated annual financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2008 of Anglo American which can be found at pages 81 to 135 of Anglo American's annual report for the financial year ended 31 December 2008;
- (d) the current memorandum and articles of association of each Issuer; and
- (e) the terms and conditions contained in pages 30 to 50 of the offering circular relating to the Programme dated 20 March 2008.

Any documents incorporated by reference in the documents referred to above do not form part of this Offering Circular.

Following the publication of this Offering Circular a supplement may be prepared by the Issuers and approved by the UK Listing Authority in accordance with Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive. Statements contained in any such supplement (or contained in any document incorporated by reference therein) shall, to the extent applicable (whether expressly, by implication or otherwise) be deemed to modify or supersede statements contained in this Offering Circular or in a document which is incorporated by reference in this Offering Circular. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not, except as so modified or superseded, constitute a part of this Offering Circular.

Copies of the documents incorporated by reference in this Offering Circular can be obtained from the registered office of each Issuer and from the specified office of the Paying Agent for the time being in London.

Anglo American and Anglo American Capital will, in the event of any significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to information included in this Offering Circular which is capable of affecting the assessment of any Notes, prepare a supplement to this Offering Circular or publish a new Offering Circular for use in connection with any subsequent issue of Notes.

#### FORM OF THE NOTES

Each Tranche of Notes will be in bearer form and will be initially issued in the form of a temporary global note (a "Temporary Global Note") or, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, a permanent global note (a "Permanent Global Note") which, in either case, will:

- (i) if the Global Notes are intended to be issued in new global note ("NGN") form, as stated in the applicable Final Terms, be delivered on or prior to the original issue date of the Tranche to a common safekeeper (the "Common Safekeeper") for Euroclear Bank SA/NV ("Euroclear") and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("Clearstream, Luxembourg"); and
- (ii) if the Global Notes are not intended to be issued in NGN form, be delivered on or prior to the original issue date of the Tranche to a common depositary (the "Common Depositary") for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg.

Whilst any Note is represented by a Temporary Global Note, payments of principal, interest (if any) and any other amount payable in respect of the Notes due prior to the Exchange Date (as defined below) will be made (against presentation of the Temporary Global Note if the Temporary Global Note is not intended to be issued in NGN form) only to the extent that certification (in a form to be provided) to the effect that the beneficial owners of interests in such Note are not U.S. persons or persons who have purchased for resale to any U.S. person, as required by U.S. Treasury regulations, has been received by Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as applicable, has given a like certification (based on the certifications it has received) to the Agent.

On and after the date (the "Exchange Date") which is 40 days after a Temporary Global Note is issued, interests in such Temporary Global Note will be exchangeable (free of charge) upon a request as described therein for either (i) interests in a Permanent Global Note of the same Series or (ii) definitive Notes of the same Series with, where applicable, receipts, interest coupons and talons attached (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms and subject, in the case of definitive Notes, to such notice period as is specified in the applicable Final Terms), in each case against certification of beneficial ownership as described above unless such certification has already been given. The holder of a Temporary Global Note will not be entitled to collect any payment of interest, principal or other amount due on or after the Exchange Date unless, upon due certification, exchange of the Temporary Global Note for an interest in a Permanent Global Note or for definitive Notes is improperly withheld or refused.

Payments of principal, interest (if any) or any other amounts on a Permanent Global Note will be made through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg (against presentation or surrender (as the case may be) of the Permanent Global Note if the Permanent Global Note is not intended to be issued in NGN form) without any requirement for certification.

The applicable Final Terms will specify that a Permanent Global Note will be exchangeable (free of charge), in whole but not in part, for definitive Notes with, where applicable, receipts, interest coupons and talons attached upon either (i) not less than 60 days' written notice from Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg (acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in such Permanent Global Note) to the Agent as described therein or (ii) only upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event. For these purposes, "Exchange Event" means that (i) an Event of Default (as defined in Condition 10) has occurred and is continuing, (ii) the relevant Issuer has been notified that both Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg have been closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or have announced an intention permanently to cease business or have in fact done so and no alternative clearing system satisfactory to the Trustee is available or (iii) the relevant Issuer has or will become subject to adverse tax consequences which would not be suffered were the Notes represented by the Permanent Global Note in definitive form and a certificate to such effect signed by two Authorised Signatories of the relevant Issuer is given to the Trustee. The relevant Issuer will promptly give notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 15 if an Exchange Event occurs. In the event of the occurrence of an Exchange Event, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg (acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in such Permanent Global Note) or the Trustee may give notice to the Agent requesting exchange and, in the event of the occurrence of an Exchange Event as described in (iii) above, the relevant Issuer may also give notice to the Agent requesting exchange. Any such exchange shall occur not later than 45 days after the date of receipt of the first relevant notice by the Agent.

The following legend will appear on all Notes which have an original maturity of more than 365 days and on all receipts and interest coupons relating to such Notes:

"ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS, INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE."

The sections referred to provide that United States holders, with certain exceptions, will not be entitled to deduct any loss on Notes, receipts or interest coupons and will not be entitled to capital gains treatment of any gain on any sale, disposition, redemption or payment of principal in respect of such Notes, receipts or interest coupons.

Notes which are represented by a Global Note will only be transferable in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be.

Pursuant to the Agency Agreement (as defined under "*Terms and Conditions of the Notes*"), the Agent shall arrange that, where a further Tranche of Notes is issued which is intended to form a single Series with an existing Tranche of Notes, the Notes of such further Tranche shall, where necessary, be assigned a common code and ISIN which are different from the common code and ISIN assigned to Notes of any other Tranche of the same Series until at least the expiry of the distribution compliance period (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) applicable to the Notes of such Tranche.

Any reference herein to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system specified in the applicable Final Terms or as may otherwise be approved by the relevant Issuer, (if applicable) the Guarantor, the Agent and the Trustee.

No Noteholder, Receiptholder or Couponholder shall be entitled to proceed directly against the relevant Issuer or the Guarantor unless the Trustee, having become bound so to proceed, fails so to do within a reasonable period and the failure shall be continuing.

#### FORM OF FINAL TERMS

Set out below is the form of Final Terms which will be completed for each Tranche of Notes issued under the Programme.

[Date]

[Anglo American plc / Anglo American Capital plc]

Issue of [Aggregate Nominal Amount of Tranche] [Title of Notes]
[Guaranteed by Anglo American plc]
under the U.S.\$10,000,000,000
Euro Medium Term Note Programme

#### PART A - CONTRACTUAL TERMS

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Conditions set forth in the Offering Circular dated 19 March 2009 [and the Supplementary Offering Circular dated [ • ]] which together constitute[s] a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive (Directive 2003/71/EC) (the "Prospectus Directive"). This document constitutes the Final Terms of the Notes described herein for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive and must be read in conjunction with the Offering Circular [as so supplemented]. Full information on the Issuer[, the Guarantor] and the offer of the Notes is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Offering Circular [as so supplemented]. The Offering Circular [and the Supplementary Offering Circular] [is/are] available for viewing at 20 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AN and copies may be obtained from Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch, Winchester House, 1 Great Winchester Street, London EC2N 2DB.

[The following alternative language applies if the first tranche of an issue which is being increased was issued under an Offering Circular with an earlier date.]

[Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Conditions (the "Conditions") set forth in the Offering Circular dated [original date] [and the Supplementary Offering Circular dated [ • ]]. This document constitutes the Final Terms of the Notes described herein for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive (Directive 2003/71/EC) (the "Prospectus Directive") and must be read in conjunction with the Offering Circular dated [current date] [and the Supplementary Offering Circular dated [ • ]] which [together] constitute[s] a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive, save in respect of the Conditions which are extracted from the Offering Circular dated [original date] [and the Supplementary Offering Circular dated [ • ]] and are attached hereto. Full information on the Issuer[, the Guarantor] and the offer of the Notes is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Offering Circulars dated [current date] and [original date] [and the Supplementary Offering Circular dated [ • ]]. Copies of such Offering Circulars are available for viewing at 20 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AN and www.angloamerican.co.uk and copies may be obtained from Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch, Winchester House, 1 Great Winchester Street, London EC2N 2DB.]

[Include whichever of the following apply or specify as "Not Applicable" (N/A). Note that the numbering should remain as set out below, even if "Not Applicable" is indicated for individual paragraphs or subparagraphs. Italics denote directions for completing the Final Terms.]

[When completing final terms or adding any other final terms or information consideration should be given as to whether such terms or information constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Offering Circular under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.]

If the Notes have a maturity of less than one year from the date of their issue, the minimum denomination must be at least £100,000 or its equivalent in any other currency.

1.	(a) [(b)	[Issuer:] Guarantor:	[Anglo American plc /Anglo American Capital plc] Anglo American plc]
2.	(a)	Series Number:	
2.	(b)	Tranche Number:	
	(-)		(If fungible with an existing Series, details of that Series, including the date on which the Notes become fungible)
3.	Specif	fied Currency or Currencies:	[ ]
4.	Aggre	gate Nominal Amount of Notes:	
	(a)	Series:	[ ]
	(b)	Tranche:	[ ]
	(c)	The Aggregate Nominal Amount of Notes issued has been translated into [U.S.\$] at the rate of [currency] 1.00:[U.S.\$][ ], producing a sum (for Notes not denominated in [U.S.\$]) of:	
5.	(a)	Issue Price:	[ ] per cent. of the Aggregate Nominal Amount [plus accrued interest from [insert date] (in the case of fungible issues only, if applicable)]
6.	(a)	Specified Denominations:	[ ]
			(N.B. Where multiple denominations above $[\in 50,000]$ or equivalent are being used the following sample wording should be followed: $[\in 50,000]$ and integral multiples of $[\in 1,000]$ in excess thereof up to and including $[\in 99,000]$ . No Notes in definitive form will be issued with a denomination above $[\in 99,000]$ )
			(N.B. If an issue of Notes is (i) NOT admitted to trading on an European Economic Area exchange and (ii) only offered in the European Economic Area in circumstances where a prospectus is not required to be published under the Prospectus Directive, the €50,000 minimum denomination is not required.)
			(N.B. Notes which have a maturity of less than one year must have a minimum redemption amount of £100,000 (or its equivalent in other currencies))
	(b)	Calculation Amount	(If only one Specified Denomination, insert the Specified Denomination.
			If more than one Specified Denomination, insert the highest common factor. N.B. there must be a common factor in the case of two or more Specified Denominations.)
7.	(a)	Issue Date:	[ ]
	(b)	Interest Commencement Date:	[specify/Issue Date/Not Applicable]
			(N.B. An Interest Commencement Date will not be relevant for Certain Notes, for example Zero Coupon Notes.)
8.	Matur	ity Date:	[Fixed rate — specify date/Floating rate — Interest Payment Date falling in or nearest to [specify month and year]]

9.	Interes	t Basis:	[[	] per cent. Fix	ed Rate]		
			[[LIBOR/I Rate]	EURIBOR] +/ -	- [	] per cent. Floating	
			[Zero Cou	ipon]			
			[Index Linked Interest]				
			[Dual Cur	rency Interest]			
			[specify of	ther]			
			(further pa	articulars specifi	ed below)		
10.	Redem	ption/Payment Basis:	[Redempti [Index Lir [Dual Cur [Partly Pa [Instalmer [specify of (N.B. If the cent. of the securities the require	ion at par] hked Redemption rency Redempti id] ht] ther] e Final Redempti he nominal val for the purpose.	n] on] tion Amount lue the Note s of the Pro	is other than 100 per es will be derivative spectus Directive and Prospectus Directive	
11.		e of Interest Basis or ption/Payment Basis:		letails of any pr nterest Basis or 1		change of Notes into  Payment Basis]	
12.			[Investor I [Issuer Ca [(further p		fied below)]		
13.	[(a)]	Status of the Notes	Senior				
	[(b)	Status of the Guarantee:	Senior]				
	[(c)]	Date [Board] approval for issuance of Notes [and		] [and [	], respecti	•	
		Guarantee] obtained:		for the particul		milar) authorisation is of Notes or related	
14.	Method	d of distribution:	[Syndicate	ed/Non-syndicate	ed]		
PRO	OVISIO	NS RELATING TO INTEREST (IF	ANY) PAYA	ABLE			
15.	Fixed 1	Rate Note Provisions		le/Not Applicab sub-paragraphs		applicable, delete the cagraph)	
	(a)	Rate(s) of Interest:		uarterly/monthly ple other than	y/other (spe	rable [annually/ semi- cify)] in arrear] consider amending	
	(b)	Interest Payment Date(s):	[adjusted Convention definition	in accordance n and any apple of "Business Do	e with [sp licable Busir ay"]/not adj	ing the Maturity Date] necify Business Day ness Centre(s) for the iusted] ne case of long or short	
	(c)	Fixed Coupon Amount(s):	[	] per [ ] Calcu	lation Amou	unt	
		(Applicable to Notes in definitive form)					
	(d)	Broken Amount(s):	[ Payment I	] per Calculatio Date falling [in/o		payable on the Interest	
		(Applicable to Notes in definitive form)					
	(e)	Day Count Fraction:	[30/360 or	r Actual/Actual	(ICMA) or	specify other])	
	(f)	Determination Date(s):				ignoring issue date or ort first or last coupon	

NB: This will need to be amended in the case of regular interest payment dates which are not of equal duration NB: Only relevant where Day Count Fraction is Actual/ Actual (ICMA)]

	(g)	Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest for Fixed Rate Notes:	[None/Give details]
16.	Floati	ng Rate Note Provisions	[Applicable/Not Applicable] (If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)
	(a)	Specified Period(s)/Specified Interest Payment Dates:	
	(b)	Business Day Convention:	[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention/Modified Following Business Day Convention/ Preceding Business Day Convention/[specify other]]
	(c)	Additional Business Centre(s):	
	(d)	Manner in which the Rate of Interest and Interest Amount is to be determined:	[Screen Rate Determination/ISDA Determination/[specify other]]
	(e)	Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest Amount (if not the Agent):	
	(f)	Screen Rate Determination:	
		– Reference Rate:	[ ] (Either LIBOR, EURIBOR or other, although additional information is required if other—including fallback provisions in the Agency Agreement)
		- Interest Determination Date(s):	[ ] (Second London Business Day prior to the start of each Interest Period if LIBOR (other than Sterling or euro LIBOR), first day of each Interest Period if Sterling LIBOR and the second day on which the TARGET 2 System is open prior to the start of each Interest Period if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR)
		- Relevant Screen Page:	[ ] (In the case of EURIBOR, if not Reuters EURIBOR01, ensure it is a page which shows a composite rate or amend the fallback provisions appropriately)
	(g)	ISDA Determination:	
		<ul><li>Floating Rate Option:</li></ul>	
		<ul><li>Designated Maturity:</li></ul>	
		– Reset Date:	
	(h)	Margin(s):	[+/-] [ ] per cent. per annum
	(i)	Minimum Rate of Interest:	[ ] per cent. per annum
	(j)	Maximum Rate of Interest:	[ ] per cent. per annum
	(k)	Day Count Fraction:	[Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling) Actual/360 30/360 30E/360

Other]

30E/360 (ISDA)

(See Condition 5 for alternatives)

	(1)	provisions and any other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Floating Rate Notes, if different from those set out in the Conditions:	[ ]
17.	Zero (	Coupon Note Provisions	[Applicable/Not Applicable] (If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)
	(a)	Accrual Yield:	[ ] per cent. per annum
	(b)	Reference Price:	
	(c)	Any other formula/basis of determining amount payable:	[ ]
	(d)	Day Count Fraction in relation to Early Redemption Amounts and late payment:	[Conditions 7(e) and 7(j) apply/[specify other]] (Consider applicable day count fraction if not U.S. dollar denominated)
18.	Index	Linked Interest Provisions	[Applicable/Not Applicable] (If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph) (N.B. If the Final Redemption Amount is other than 100 per cent. of the nominal value the Notes will be derivative securities for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive and the requirement of Annex XII to the Prospectus Directive Regulation will apply.)
	(a)	Index/Formula:	[give or annex details]
	(b)	Calculation Agent:	[give name (and, if the Notes are derivative Securities to which Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation applies, address)]
	(c)	Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest (if not the Calculation Agent) and Interest Amount (if not the Agent):	
	(d)	Provisions for determining coupon where calculation by reference to Index and/or Formula is impossible or impracticable:	[need to include a description of market disruption or settlement events and adjustment provisions]]
	(e)	Specified Period(s)/Specified Interest Payment Dates:	[ ]
	(f)	Business Day Convention:	[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention/Modified Following Business Day Convention/ Preceding Business Day Convention/[specify other]]
	(g)	Additional Business Centre(s):	[ ]
	(h)	Minimum Rate of Interest:	[ ] per cent. per annum
	(i)	Maximum Rate of Interest:	[ ] per cent. per annum
	(j)	Day Count Fraction:	
19.	Dual (	Currency Note Provisions	[Applicable/Not Applicable] (If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph) (N.B. If the Final Redemption Amount is other than 100 per cent. of the nominal value the Notes will be derivative securities for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive and the requirements of Annex XII to the Prospectus Directive Regulation will apply.)
	(a)	Rate of Exchange/method of calculating Rate of Exchange:	[give or annex details]

(b) Party responsible for calculating [give name (and, if the Notes are derivative securities to the Rate of Interest (if not the which Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation Calculation Agent) and Interest applies, address)] Amount (if not the Agent): (c) Provisions applicable where [need to include a description of market disruption or calculation by reference to Rate of settlement disruption events and adjustment provisions] Exchange impossible or impracticable: (d) Person at whose option Specified 1 Currency(ies) is/are payable: PROVISIONS RELATING TO REDEMPTION 20. Issuer Call: [Applicable/Not Applicable] (If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph) Optional Redemption Date(s): (a) Optional Redemption Amount and (b)  $\prod$ per Calculation Amount/specify other/see method, if any, of calculation of Appendix] such amount(s): If redeemable in part: (c) Minimum Redemption 1 Amount: (ii) Maximum Redemption 1 Amount: (d) Notice period (if other than as set out in the Conditions): (N.B. If setting notice periods which are different to those provided in the Conditions, the issuer is advised to consider the practicalities of distribution of information through intermediaries, for example, clearing systems and custodians, as well as any other notice requirements which may apply, for example, as between the Issuer and the Agent or Trustee) 21. Investor Put: [Applicable/Not Applicable] (If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph) (a) Optional Redemption Date(s): (b) Optional Redemption Amount and ] per Calculation Amount/specify other/see method, if any, of calculation of Appendix1 such amount(s): Notice period (if other than as set (c) (N.B. If setting notice periods which are different to those out in the Conditions): provided in the Conditions, the issuer is advised to consider the practicalities of distribution of information through intermediaries, for example, clearing systems and custodians, as well as any other notice requirements which may apply, for example, as between the Issuer and the Agent or Trustee) 22. Final Redemption Amount: per Calculation Amount/specify other/see Appendix (N.B. If the Final Redemption Amount is other than 100 per cent. of the nominal value the Notes will be derivative securities for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive and the requirements of Annex XII to the Prospectus Directive

23. Early Redemption Amount of each Note

payable on redemption for taxation

Condition 7(e)):

reasons or on event of default and/or the method of calculating the same (if required or if different from that set out in Regulation apply.)

per

Appendix/Not Applicable]

Calculation

Amount/specify

other/see

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE BEARER NOTES

24. (a) Form:

[Temporary Global Note exchangeable for a Permanent Global Note which is exchangeable for Definitive Notes [on 60 days' notice given at any time/only upon an Exchange Event]]

[Temporary Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes on and after the Exchange Date]

[Permanent Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes [on 60 days' notice given at any time/only upon an Exchange Event]]

(Ensure that this is consistent with the wording in the "Form of the Notes" section in the Offering Circular and the Notes themselves. N.B. The exchange upon notice/at any time options should not be expressed to be applicable if the Specified Denomination of the Notes in paragraph 6 includes language substantially to the following effect: "[€50,000] and integral multiples of [€1,000] in excess thereof up to and including [€99,000].") Furthermore, such Specified Denomination construction is not permitted in relation to any issue of Notes which is to be represented on issue by a Temporary Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes.

[Yes][No]

[Not Applicable/give details]

(Note that this paragraph relates to the date and place of payment and not Interest Period end dates to which subparagraphs 16(c), and 18(g) relate)

[Yes/No. If yes, give details]

(b) New Global Note:

25. Additional Financial Centre(s) or other special provisions relating to Payment Days:

- 26. Talons for future Coupons or Receipts to be attached to Definitive Notes (and dates on which such Talons mature):
- 27. Details relating to Partly Paid Notes: amount of each payment comprising the Issue Price and date on which each payment is to be made and consequences of failure to pay, including any right of the Issuer to forfeit the Notes and interest due on late payment:
- 28. Details relating to Instalment Notes:

(a) Instalment Amount(s):

(b) Instalment Date(s):

30. U.S. Paying Agent provisions:

29. Redenomination:

31. Other final terms:

[Not Applicable/give details. NB:

a new form of Temporary Global Note and/or Permanent Global Note may be required for Partly Paid issues]

[Not Applicable/give details]
[Not Applicable/give details]

Redenomination [not] applicable

[(If Redenomination is applicable, specify the applicable Day Count Fraction and any provisions necessary to deal with floating rate interest calculation (including alternative reference rates))]. [(If Redenomination is applicable, specify the terms of the redenomination in an Annex to the Final Terms)]

[Not Applicable/Condition 6(d) applies]

[Not Applicable/give details]

(When adding any other final terms consideration should be given as to whether such terms constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Offering Circular under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.)

(Consider including a term providing for tax certification if required to enable interest to be paid gross by issuers.)

#### DICTRIBLITION

32. (a) If syndicated, names of Managers:

(b) Stabilising Manager (if any):

(c) Date of [Subscription Agreement]:

[Not Applicable/give names]
[Not Applicable/give name]

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## DISTRIBUTION

33.	If non- Dealer	syndicated, name of relevant:	[Not applicable/give name]
34.	U.S. S	elling Restrictions:	[Reg.S Compliance Category; TEFRA D/TEFRA C/TEFRA not applicable]
35. <b>36.</b>	Addition LISTI	onal selling restrictions:	[Not Applicable/give details]
	(a)	Listing admission to trading:	[Application has been made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the Notes to be admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's regulated market and to be listed on the Official List of the UK Listing Authority with effect from [ ].] [Application is expected to be made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the Notes to be admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's regulated market and to be listed on the Official List of the UK Listing Authority with effect from [ ].] [Not Applicable.]
	(b)	Estimate of total expenses related to admission to trading:	
[PU	RPOSE	OF FINAL TERMS	
Excl here	nange's in pursu	regulated market and listing on the Off	red for issue and admission to trading on the London Stock icial List of the UK Listing Authority of the Notes described Medium Term Note Programme of Anglo American plc and
RES	SPONSI	BILITY	
[[Re Regu the C able repro	levant tulation is Guaranto to ascertoduced is	hird party information, for example in relation to an index or its component or] confirm[s] that such information has tain from information published by [specinformation inaccurate or misleading.]	dibility for the information contained in these Final Terms. in compliance with Annex XII to the Prospectus Directive ts] has been extracted from [specify source]. The Issuer [and been accurately reproduced and that, so far as it is aware and is cify source], no parts have been omitted which would render the
Sign	ed on h	ehalf of the Issuer	[Signed on behalf of the Guarantor:

Duly authorised]

Duly authorised

## PART B — OTHER INFORMATION

The Notes to be issued have been rated:

1. RATINGS

Ratings:

		[S & P: [ ]] [Moody's: [ ]]
		[[Other]: [ ]]
		(The above disclosure should reflect the rating allocated to Notes of the type being issued under the Programme generally or, where the issue has been specifically rated, that rating.)
2.	INTERESTS OF NATURAL AND LE	GAL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE ISSUE
		ers/Dealers], so far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the l to the offer. — <i>Amend as appropriate if there are other interests</i> ]
		nsideration should be given as to whether such matters described insequently trigger the need for a Supplement to the Offering Circular tive.)]
3.	REASONS FOR THE OFFER, ESTIM	IATED NET PROCEEDS AND TOTAL EXPENSES
	[(i) Reasons for the offer	[ ]
	[(ii)] Estimated net proceeds:	[ ]
	[(iii)] Estimated total expenses:	[ ]
		(N.B.: Delete unless the Notes are derivative securities to which Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation applies, in which case (i) above is required where the reasons for the offer are different from making profit and/or hedging certain risks and, where such reasons are inserted in (i), disclosure of net proceeds and total expenses at (ii) and (iii) above are also required.)
4.	YIELD (Fixed Rate Notes only)	
	Indication of yield:	[ ]
		The yield is calculated at the Issue Date on the basis of the Issue Price. It is not an indication of future yield.
5.		MULA, EXPLANATION OF EFFECT ON VALUE OF RISKS AND OTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING THE nly)
	[Need to include details of where past a obtained.]	and future performance and volatility of the index/formula can be
		include the name of the index and a description if composed by the the Issuer need to include details of where the information about the

[Include other information concerning the underlying required by paragraph 4.2 of Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation including a description of any market disruption or settlement disruption event that affect the underlying and adjustment rules with relation to events concerning the underlying.]

index can be obtained. Where the underlying is not an index need to include equivalent information.]

[(When completing the above paragraphs, consideration should be given as to whether such matters described constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Offering Circular under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.)]

The Issuer [intends to provide post-issuance information [specify what information will be reported and where it can be obtained]] [does not intend to provide post-issuance information].

(N.B. This paragraph 6 only applies if the Notes are derivative securities to which Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation applies.)

## 6. PERFORMANCE OF RATE[S] OF EXCHANGE (Dual Currency Notes only)

[Need to include details of where past and future performance and volatility of the relevant rates can be obtained.]

[(When completing this paragraph, consideration should be given as to whether such matters described constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Offering Circular under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.)]

(N.B. This paragraph 7 only applies if the Notes are derivative securities to which Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation applies.)

## 7. OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

(i)	ISIN Code:	[ ]
(ii)	Common Code:	[ ]
(iii)	Any clearing system(s) other than Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme and the relevant identification number(s):	[Not Applicable/give name(s) and number(s)]
(iv)	Delivery:	Delivery [against/free of] payment
(v)	Names and addresses of additional Paying Agent(s) (if any):	[ ]
[(vi)	Intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility:	[Yes] [No] [Note that the designation "yes" simply means that the Notes are intended upon issue to be deposited with one of the ICSDs as common safekeeper and does not necessarily mean that the Notes will be recognised as eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy and intra-day credit operations by the Eurosystem either upon issue or at any or all times during their life. Such recognition will depend upon satisfaction of the Eurosystem eligibility criteria.] [include this text if "yes" selected in which case the Notes must be issued in NGN form]

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE NOTES

The following are the Terms and Conditions of the Notes which will be incorporated by reference into each Global Note (as defined below) and each definitive Note, in the latter case only if permitted by the relevant stock exchange or other relevant authority (if any) and agreed by the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer at the time of issue but, if not so permitted and agreed, such definitive Note will have endorsed thereon or attached thereto such Terms and Conditions. The applicable Final Terms in relation to any Tranche of Notes may specify other terms and conditions which shall, to the extent so specified or to the extent inconsistent with the following Terms and Conditions, replace or modify the following Terms and Conditions for the purpose of such Notes. The applicable Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) will be endorsed upon, or attached to, each Global Note and definitive Note. Reference should be made to "Form of the Notes" for a description of the content of Final Terms which will specify which of such terms are to apply in relation to the relevant Notes.

This Note is one of a Series (as defined below) of Notes issued by Anglo American plc ("Anglo American") or Anglo American Capital plc ("Anglo American Capital") (each an "Issuer" and together the "Issuers") constituted by a Trust Deed (such Trust Deed as modified and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the "Trust Deed") dated 13 March 2003 made between Anglo American (as an Issuer and as guarantor (in such capacity, the "Guarantor") of Notes issued by Anglo American Capital), Anglo American Capital and The Law Debenture Trust Corporation p.l.c. (the "Trustee", which expression shall include any successor as Trustee).

References in these Terms and Conditions to the "Issuer" shall be to the Issuer of the Notes as specified in the applicable Final Terms. References in these Terms and Conditions to the "Guarantor" and the "Guarantee" (as defined below) shall only be applicable if Anglo American Capital is specified as the Issuer of the Notes in the applicable Final Terms.

References herein to the "Notes" shall be references to the Notes of this Series and shall mean:

- (a) in relation to any Notes represented by a global Note (a "Global Note"), units of each Specified Denomination in the Specified Currency;
- (b) any Global Note; and
- (c) any definitive Notes issued in exchange for a Global Note.

The Notes, the Receipts (as defined below) and the Coupons (as defined below) have the benefit of an amended and restated Agency Agreement (such Agency Agreement as further amended and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the "Agency Agreement") dated 19 March 2009 and made between the Issuers, the Guarantor, the Trustee, Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch, as issuing and principal paying agent (the "Agent", which expression shall include any successor agent) and the other paying agent named therein (together with, unless the context otherwise requires, the Agent, the "Paying Agents", which expression shall include any additional or successor paying agents).

Interest bearing definitive Notes have interest coupons ("Coupons") and, if indicated in the applicable Final Terms, talons for further Coupons ("Talons") attached on issue. Any reference herein to Coupons or coupons shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be deemed to include a reference to Talons or talons. Definitive Notes repayable in instalments have receipts ("Receipts") for the payment of the instalments of principal (other than the final instalment) attached on issue. Global Notes do not have Receipts, Coupons or Talons attached on issue.

If the Notes are specified in the applicable Final Terms to be guaranteed ("Guaranteed Notes"), the Guarantor has unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed the due performance of all payment and other obligations of the Issuer under the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons, these Terms and Conditions and the Trust Deed. The obligations of the Guarantor in this respect (the "Guarantee") are contained in the Trust Deed.

The Final Terms for this Note (or the relevant provisions thereof) are set out in Part A of the Final Terms attached to or endorsed on this Note which supplement these Terms and Conditions (the "Conditions") and may specify other terms and conditions which shall, to the extent so specified or to the extent inconsistent with the Conditions, replace or modify the Conditions for the purposes of this Note. References to the "applicable Final Terms" are to Part A of the Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) attached to or endorsed on this Note.

The Trustee acts for the benefit of the holders for the time being of the Notes (the "Noteholders", which expression shall, in relation to any Notes represented by a Global Note, be construed as provided below), the holders of the Receipts (the "Receiptholders") and the holders of the Coupons (the "Couponholders", which expression shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include the holders of the Talons), in accordance with the provisions of the Trust Deed.

As used herein, "Tranche" means Notes which are identical in all respects (including as to listing and admission to trading) and "Series" means a Tranche of Notes together with any further Tranche or Tranches of Notes which are (a) expressed to be consolidated and form a single series and (b) identical in all respects (including as to listing and admission to trading) except for their respective Issue Dates, Interest Commencement Dates and/or Issue Prices.

Copies of the Trust Deed and the Agency Agreement are available for inspection during normal business hours at the registered office for the time being of the Trustee being at 19 March 2009 at Fifth Floor, 100 Wood Street, London EC2V 7EX and at the specified office of each of the Paying Agents. Copies of the applicable Final Terms are available for viewing at the registered office of each of the Paying Agents and copies may be obtained from the above offices save that, if this Note is neither admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area nor offered in the European Economic Area in circumstances where a prospectus is required to be published under the Prospectus Directive, the applicable Final Terms will only be obtainable by a Noteholder holding one or more Notes and such Noteholder must produce evidence satisfactory to the Issuer and the Trustee or, as the case may be, the relevant Paying Agent as to its holding of such Notes and identity. The Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders are deemed to have notice of, and are entitled to the benefit of, all the provisions of the Trust Deed, the Agency Agreement and the applicable Final Terms which are applicable to them. The statements in the Conditions include summaries of, and are subject to, the detailed provisions of the Trust Deed.

Words and expressions defined in the Trust Deed, the Agency Agreement or used in the applicable Final Terms shall have the same meanings where used in the Conditions unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise stated and provided that, in the event of inconsistency between the Trust Deed and the Agency Agreement, the Trust Deed will prevail and, in the event of inconsistency between the Trust Deed or the Agency Agreement and the applicable Final Terms, the applicable Final Terms will prevail.

## 1. FORM, DENOMINATION AND TITLE

The Notes are in bearer form and, in the case of definitive Notes, serially numbered, in the Specified Currency and the Specified Denomination(s). Notes of one Specified Denomination may not be exchanged for Notes of another Specified Denomination.

This Note may be a Fixed Rate Note, a Floating Rate Note, a Zero Coupon Note, an Index Linked Interest Note, a Dual Currency Interest Note or a combination of any of the foregoing, depending upon the Interest Basis shown in the applicable Final Terms.

This Note may be an Index Linked Redemption Note, an Instalment Note, a Dual Currency Redemption Note, a Partly Paid Note or a combination of any of the foregoing, depending upon the Redemption/Payment Basis shown in the applicable Final Terms.

Definitive Notes are issued with Coupons attached, unless they are Zero Coupon Notes in which case references to Coupons and Couponholders in the Conditions are not applicable.

Subject as set out below, title to the Notes, Receipts and Coupons will pass by delivery. The Issuer, the Guarantor, the Paying Agents and the Trustee will (except as otherwise required by law) deem and treat the bearer of any Note, Receipt or Coupon as the absolute owner thereof (whether or not overdue and notwithstanding any notice of ownership or writing thereon or notice of any previous loss or theft thereof) for all purposes but, in the case of any Global Note, without prejudice to the provisions set out in the next succeeding paragraph.

For so long as any of the Notes is represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Euroclear Bank SA/NV ("Euroclear") and/or Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("Clearstream, Luxembourg"), each person (other than Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or of Clearstream, Luxembourg as the holder of a particular nominal amount of such Notes (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as to the nominal amount of such Notes standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Paying Agents and the Trustee as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest on such nominal amount of such Notes, for which purpose the bearer of the relevant Global Note shall be treated by the Issuer, the Guarantor, any Paying Agent and the Trustee as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes in accordance with and subject to the terms of the relevant Global Note and the expressions "Noteholder" and "holder of Notes" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly. In determining whether a particular person is entitled to a particular nominal amount of Notes as aforesaid, the Trustee may rely on such evidence and/or information and/or certification as it shall, in its absolute discretion, think fit and, if it does so rely, such evidence and/or information and/or certification shall, in the absence of manifest error, be conclusive and binding on all concerned.

Notes which are represented by a Global Note will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be.

References to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system specified in the applicable Final Terms or as may otherwise be approved by the Issuer, the Agent and the Trustee.

#### 2. STATUS OF THE NOTES AND THE GUARANTEE

The Notes and the obligations of the Guarantor under the Guarantee constitute (subject to the provisions of Condition 3) unsecured obligations of the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Guarantor and rank *pari passu* without any preference among themselves. The payment obligations of the Issuer in respect of the Notes, the Receipts and the Coupons, and of the Guarantor under the Guarantee, shall, save for such exceptions as may be provided by applicable legislation and subject to Condition 3, at all times rank at least equally with all their other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations.

## 3. NEGATIVE PLEDGE

So long as any of the Notes remains outstanding, neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor (in the case of Guaranteed Notes) will create or permit to subsist any mortgage, charge, pledge, lien or other form of encumbrance or security interest ("Security") upon the whole or any part of its undertaking or assets, present or future, to secure any Relevant Debt, or any guarantee or indemnity in respect of any Relevant Debt unless, at the same time or prior thereto, the Issuer's obligations under the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons and the Trust Deed either (a) are secured equally and rateably therewith to the satisfaction of the Trustee, or (b) have the benefit of such other Security, guarantee, indemnity or other arrangement as the Trustee in its absolute discretion shall deem to be not materially less beneficial to the Noteholders or as shall be approved by an Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Trust Deed) of the Noteholders.

"Relevant Debt" means any present or future indebtedness which is in the form of, or represented by, bonds, notes, debentures, loan stock or other securities which are, with the consent of the person issuing the same, for the time being quoted, listed or ordinarily dealt in on any stock exchange, over-the-counter or other established securities market and having an original maturity of more than one year from its date of issue.

## 4. REDENOMINATION

#### 4.1 Redenomination

Where redenomination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being applicable, the Issuer may, without the consent of the Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders, but after prior consultation with the Trustee, on giving prior notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 15, elect that, with effect from the Redenomination Date specified in the notice, the Notes shall be redenominated in euro.

The election will have effect as follows:

- (a) the Notes and the Receipts shall be deemed to be redenominated in euro in the denomination of euro 0.01 with a nominal amount for each Note and Receipt equal to the nominal amount of that Note or Receipt in the Specified Currency, converted into euro at the Established Rate, provided that, if the Issuer determines, with the agreement of the Agent and the Trustee, that the then market practice in respect of the redenomination in euro of internationally offered securities is different from the provisions specified above, such provisions shall be deemed to be amended so as to comply with such market practice and the Issuer shall promptly notify the Noteholders, the stock exchange (if any) on which the Notes may be listed and the Paying Agents of such deemed amendments;
- (b) save to the extent that an Exchange Notice has been given in accordance with paragraph (d) below, the amount of interest due in respect of the Notes will be calculated by reference to the aggregate nominal amount of Notes presented (or, as the case may be, in respect of which Coupons are presented) for payment by the relevant holder and the amount of such payment shall be rounded down to the nearest euro 0.01;
- (c) if definitive Notes are required to be issued after the Redenomination Date, they shall be issued at the expense of the Issuer (i) in the case of Relevant Notes in the denomination of euro 50,000 and/or such higher amounts as the Agent may determine and notify to the Noteholders and any remaining amounts less than euro 50,000 shall be redeemed by the Issuer and paid to the Noteholders in euro in accordance with Condition 6; and (ii) in the case of Notes which are not Relevant Notes, in the denominations of euro 1,000, euro 10,000, euro 100,000 and (but only to the extent of any remaining amounts less than euro 1,000 or such smaller

denominations as the Agent and the Trustee may approve) euro 0.01 and such other denominations as the Agent shall determine and notify to the Noteholders;

- (d) if used prior to the Redenomination Date, all unmatured Coupons denominated in the Specified Currency (whether or not attached to the Notes) will become void with effect from the date on which the Issuer gives notice (the "Exchange Notice") that replacement euro-denominated Notes, Receipts or Coupons are available for exchange (provided that such securities are so available) and no payments will be made in respect of them. The payment obligations contained in any Notes and Receipts so issued will also become void on that date although those Notes and Receipts will continue to constitute valid exchange obligations of the Issuer. New euro-denominated Notes, Receipts and Coupons will be issued in exchange for Notes, Receipts and Coupons denominated in the Specified Currency in such manner as the Agent may specify and as shall be notified to the Noteholders in the Exchange Notice. No Exchange Notice may be given less than 15 days prior to any date for payment of principal or interest on the Notes;
- (e) after the Redenomination Date, all payments in respect of the Notes, the Receipts and the Coupons, other than payments of interest in respect of periods commencing before the Redenomination Date, will be made solely in euro as though references in the Notes to the Specified Currency were to euro. Payments will be made in euro by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque;
- (f) if the Notes are Fixed Rate Notes and interest for any period ending on or after the Redenomination Date is required to be calculated for a period ending other than on an Interest Payment Date, it will be calculated:
  - (i) in the case of the Notes represented by a Global Note, by applying the Rate of Interest to the full nominal amount outstanding on the Notes represented by such Global Notes, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention; and
  - (ii) in the case of Definitive Notes, by applying the Rate of Interest to the Calculation Amount, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Fixed Rate Note in definitive form is a multiple of the Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Fixed Rate Note shall be the product of the amount (determined in the manner provided above) for the Calculation Amount and the amount by which the Calculation Amount is multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination, without any further rounding; and
- (g) if the Notes are Floating Rate Notes, the applicable Final Terms will specify any relevant changes to the provisions relating to interest.

#### 4.2 Definitions

In the Conditions, the following expressions have the following meanings:

**Established Rate** means the rate for the conversion of the Specified Currency (including compliance with rules relating to roundings in accordance with applicable European Community regulations) into euro established by the Council of the European Union pursuant to Article 123 of the Treaty;

**euro** means the currency introduced at the start of the third stage of European economic and monetary union pursuant to the Treaty;

**Redenomination Date** means (in the case of interest bearing Notes) any date for payment of interest under the Notes or (in the case of Zero Coupon Notes) any date, in each case specified by the Issuer in the notice given to the Noteholders pursuant to Condition 4.1 above and which falls on or after the date on which the country of the Specified Currency first participates in the third stage of European economic and monetary union;

**Relevant Notes** means all Notes where the applicable Final Terms provide for a minimum Specified Denomination in the Specified Currency which is equivalent to at least euro 50,000 and which are admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area; and

Treaty means the Treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

#### 5. INTEREST

#### (a) Interest on Fixed Rate Notes

Each Fixed Rate Note bears interest from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date at the rate(s) per annum equal to the Rate(s) of Interest. Interest will be payable in arrear on the Interest Payment Date(s) in each year up to (and including) the Maturity Date. For so long as any of the Fixed Rate Notes is represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Euroclear, interest will be calculated on the full nominal amount outstanding of the Fixed Rate Notes (or, if they are Partly Paid Notes, the full amount paid up) and will be paid to Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear for distribution by them to entitled accountholders in accordance with their usual rules and operating procedures. In respect of each definitive Fixed Rate Note, interest will be calculated on its outstanding nominal amount (or, if it is a Partly Paid Note, the amount paid up).

If the notes are in definitive form, except as provided in the applicable Final Terms, the amount of interest payable on each Interest Payment Date in respect of the Fixed Interest Period ending on (but excluding) such date will amount to the Fixed Coupon Amount. Payments of interest on any Interest Payment Date will, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, amount to the Broken Amount so specified.

As used in the Conditions, "Fixed Interest Period" means the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date.

Except in the case of Notes in definitive form where an applicable Fixed Coupon Amount or Broken Amount is specified in the applicable Final Terms interest shall be calculated in respect of any period by applying the Rate of Interest to:

- (i) in the case of Fixed Rate Notes which are represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Euroclear, the full nominal amount outstanding of the Fixed Rate Notes (or, if they are Partly Paid Notes, the full amount paid up); or
- (ii) in the case of Fixed Rate Notes in definitive form, the Calculation Amount;

and, in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Fixed Rate Note in definitive form is a multiple of the Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Fixed Rate Note shall be the product of the amount (determined in the manner provided above) for the Calculation Amount and the amount by which the Calculation Amount is multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination, without any further rounding.

**"Day Count Fraction"** means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest in accordance with this Condition 5(a):

- (i) if "Actual/Actual (ICMA)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms:
  - (a) in the case of Notes where the number of days in the relevant period from (and including) the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the relevant payment date (the "Accrual Period") is equal to or shorter than the Determination Period during which the Accrual Period ends, the number of days in such Accrual Period divided by the product of (1) the number of days in such Determination Period and (2) the number of Determination Dates (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) that would occur in one calendar year; or
  - (b) in the case of Notes where the Accrual Period is longer than the Determination Period during which the Accrual Period ends, the sum of:
    - (1) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the Determination Period in which the Accrual Period begins divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Dates that would occur in one calendar year; and
    - (2) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the next Determination Period divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Dates that would occur in one calendar year; and

(ii) if "30/360" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the period from (and including) the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the relevant payment date (such number of days being calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months) divided by 360.

In the Conditions:

**"Determination Period"** means each period from (and including) a Determination Date to (but excluding) the next Determination Date (including, where either the Interest Commencement Date or the final Interest Payment Date is not a Determination Date, the period commencing on the first Determination Date prior to, and ending on the first Determination Date falling after, such date); and

"sub-unit" means, with respect to any currency other than euro, the lowest amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country of such currency and, with respect to euro, one cent.

- (b) Interest on Floating Rate Notes and Index Linked Interest Notes
  - (i) Interest Payment Dates

Each Floating Rate Note and Index Linked Interest Note bears interest from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and such interest will be payable in arrear on either:

- (A) the Specified Interest Payment Date(s) in each year specified in the applicable Final Terms; or
- (B) if no Specified Interest Payment Date(s) is/are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each date (each such date, together with each Specified Interest Payment Date, an "Interest Payment Date") which falls on the number of months or other period specified as the Specified Period in the applicable Final Terms after the preceding Interest Payment Date or, in the case of the first Interest Payment Date, after the Interest Commencement Date.

Such interest will be payable in respect of each Interest Period (which expression shall, in the Conditions, mean the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date). For so long as any of the Floating Rate Notes or Index Linked Interest Notes is represented by a global Note held on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Euroclear, interest will be calculated on the full nominal amount outstanding of the relevant Notes (or, if they are Partly Paid Notes, the full amount paid up) and will be paid to Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear for distribution by them to entitled accountholders in accordance with their usual rules and operating procedures. In respect of each definitive Floating Rate Note or Index Linked Interest Note, interest will be calculated on its outstanding nominal amount (or, if it is a Partly Paid Note, the amount paid up).

If a Business Day Convention is specified in the applicable Final Terms and (x) if there is no numerically corresponding day in the calendar month in which an Interest Payment Date should occur or (y) if any Interest Payment Date would otherwise fall on a day which is not a Business Day, then, if the Business Day Convention specified is:

- (1) in any case where Interest Periods are specified in accordance with Condition 5(b)(i)(B) above, the Floating Rate Convention, such Interest Payment Date (i) in the case of (x) above, shall be the last day that is a Business Day in the relevant month and the provisions of (B) below shall apply *mutatis mutandis* or (ii) in the case of (y) above, shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event (A) such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day and (B) each subsequent Interest Payment Date shall be the last Business Day in the month which falls the Specified Period after the preceding applicable Interest Payment Date occurred; or
- (2) the Following Business Day Convention, such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day; or
- (3) the Modified Following Business Day Convention, such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day; or
- (4) the Preceding Business Day Convention, such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day.

In the Conditions, "Business Day" means a day which is both:

- (A) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in London and each Additional Business Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (B) either (1) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (if other than London and any Additional Business Centre and which, if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars or New Zealand dollars, shall be Sydney and Auckland, respectively) or (2) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System (the "TARGET 2 System") is open.

# (ii) Rate of Interest

The Rate of Interest payable from time to time in respect of Floating Rate Notes and Index Linked Interest Notes will be determined in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms.

(A) ISDA Determination for Floating Rate Notes

Where ISDA Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will be the relevant ISDA Rate plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any). For the purposes of this sub-paragraph (A), "ISDA Rate" for an Interest Period means a rate equal to the Floating Rate that would be determined by the Agent under an interest rate swap transaction if the Agent were acting as Calculation Agent for that swap transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the 2006 ISDA Definitions, as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. and as amended and updated as at the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes (the "ISDA Definitions") and under which:

- (1) the Floating Rate Option is as specified in the applicable Final Terms;
- (2) the Designated Maturity is a period specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (3) the relevant Reset Date is either (i) if the applicable Floating Rate Option is based on the London interbank offered rate ("LIBOR") or on the Euro-zone interbank offered rate ("EURIBOR"), the first day of that Interest Period or (ii) in any other case, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

For the purposes of this sub-paragraph (A), "Floating Rate", "Calculation Agent", "Floating Rate Option", "Designated Maturity" and "Reset Date" have the meanings given to those terms in the ISDA Definitions.

Unless otherwise stated in the applicable Final Terms, the Minimum Rate of Interest shall be deemed to be zero.

(B) Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Notes

Where Screen Rate Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be either:

- (1) the offered quotation; or
- (2) the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations,

(expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate which appears or appear, as the case may be, on the Relevant Screen Page as at 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR) on the Interest Determination Date in question plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Agent. If five or more of such offered quotations are available on the Relevant Screen Page, the highest (or, if there is more than one such highest quotation, one only of such quotations) and the lowest (or, if there is more than one such lowest quotation, one only of such

quotations) shall be disregarded by the Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of such offered quotations.

If the Relevant Screen Page is not available or if no offered quotation appears or fewer than three offered quotations appear, in each case as at the Specified Time, the Agent shall request each of the Reference Banks to provide the Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate at approximately the Specified Time on the Interest Determination Date in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the Agent with offered quotations, the Rate of Interest for the Interest Period shall be the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Agent.

If on any Interest Determination Date one only or none of the Reference Banks provides the Agent with an offered quotation as provided in the preceding paragraph, the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period shall be the rate per annum which the Agent determines as being the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the rates, as communicated to (and at the request of) the Agent by the Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, at approximately the Specified Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date, deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate by leading banks in the London inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is LIBOR) or the Euro-zone inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR) plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any) or, if fewer than two of the Reference Banks provide the Agent with offered rates, the offered rate for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate, or the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of the offered rates for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate, at which, at approximately the Specified Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date, any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the Issuer suitable for the purpose) informs the Agent it is quoting to leading banks in the London inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is LIBOR) or the Euro-zone inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR) plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), provided that, if the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the Rate of Interest shall be determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period in place of the Margin relating to that last preceding Interest Period).

If the Reference Rate from time to time in respect of Floating Rate Notes is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being other than LIBOR or EURIBOR, the Rate of Interest in respect of such Notes will be determined as provided in the applicable Final Terms.

"Reference Banks" means, in the case of a determination of LIBOR, the principal London office of four major banks in the London inter-bank market and, in the case of a determination of EURIBOR, the principal Euro-zone office of four major banks in the Euro-zone inter-bank market, in each case selected by the Agent or as specified in the applicable Final Terms; and

**"Specified Time"** means 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of a determination of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of a determination of EURIBOR).

## (iii) Minimum Rate of Interest and/or Maximum Rate of Interest

If the applicable Final Terms specifies a Minimum Rate of Interest for any Interest Period, then, in the event that the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (ii) above is less than such Minimum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Minimum Rate of Interest.

If the applicable Final Terms specifies a Maximum Rate of Interest for any Interest Period, then, in the event that the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (ii) above is greater than such Maximum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Maximum Rate of Interest.

(iv) Determination of Rate of Interest and calculation of Interest Amounts

The Agent, in the case of Floating Rate Notes, and the Calculation Agent, in the case of Index Linked Interest Notes, will at or as soon as practicable after each time at which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, determine the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period. In the case of Index Linked Interest Notes, the Calculation Agent will notify the Agent of the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period as soon as practicable after calculating the same.

The Agent will calculate the amount of interest (the "Interest Amount") payable on the Floating Rate Notes or Index Linked Interest Notes for the relevant Interest Period by applying the Rate of Interest to:

- (i) in the case of Floating Rate Notes or Index Linked Interest Notes which are represented by a global Note held on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Euroclear, the full nominal amount outstanding of the relevant Notes (or, if they are Partly Paid Notes, the full amount paid up); or
- (ii) in the case of Floating Rate Notes or Index Linked Interest Notes in definitive form, the Calculation Amount;

and, in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Floating Rate Note or an Index Linked Interest Note in definitive form is a multiple of the Calculation Amount, the Interest Amount payable in respect of such Note shall be the product of the amount (determined in the manner provided above) for the Calculation Amount and the amount by which the Calculation Amount is multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination without any further rounding.

**"Day Count Fraction"** means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest in accordance with this Condition 5(b):

- (i) if "Actual/Actual (ISDA)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of that Interest Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (A) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a leap year divided by 366 and (B) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);
- (ii) if "Actual/365 (Fixed)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365;
- (iii) if "Actual/365 (Sterling)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365 or, in the case of an Interest Payment Date falling in a leap year, 366;
- (iv) if "Actual/360" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360;
- (v) if "30/360", "360/360" or "Bond Basis" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction = 
$$[360x(Y_2-Y_1)]+[30x(M_2-M_1)]+(D_2-D_1)$$
  
360

where:

"Y<sub>1</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"Y<sub>2</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"M<sub>1</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"M<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless such number is 31, in which case  $D_1$  will be 30; and

" $D_2$ " is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31 and  $D_1$  is greater than 29, in which case  $D_2$  will be 30;

(vi) if "30E/360" or "Eurobond Basis" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction = 
$$[360x(Y_2-Y_1)]+[30x(M_2-M_1)]+(D_2-D_1)$$

where:

"Y<sub>1</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"Y<sub>2</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"M<sub>1</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"M<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case  $D_1$  will be 30; and

" $D_2$ " is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case  $D_2$  will be 30;

(vii) if "30E/360 (ISDA)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction = 
$$[360x(Y_2-Y_1)]+[30x(M_2-M_1)]+(D_2-D_1)$$

where:

"Y<sub>1</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"Y<sub>2</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls:

" $M_1$ " is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls:

"M<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case  $D_1$  will be 30; and

" $D_2$ " is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February but not the Maturity Date or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case  $D_2$  will be 30.

(v) Notification of Rate of Interest and Interest Amounts

The Agent will cause the Rate of Interest and each Interest Amount for each Interest Period and the relevant Interest Payment Date to be notified to the Issuer, the Trustee and any stock exchange on which the relevant Floating Rate Notes or Index Linked Interest Notes are for the time being listed and notice thereof to be published in accordance with Condition 15 as soon as possible after their determination but in no event later than the fourth London Business Day thereafter. Each Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date so notified may subsequently be amended (or appropriate alternative arrangements made by way of adjustment) without prior notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the Interest Period. Any such amendment will be promptly notified to each stock exchange on which the relevant Floating Rate Notes or Index Linked Interest Notes are for the time being listed and to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 15. For the purposes of this paragraph, the expression "London Business Day" means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business in London.

## (vi) Determination or Calculation by Trustee

If for any reason at any relevant time the Agent or, as the case may be, the Calculation Agent defaults in its obligation to determine the Rate of Interest or the Agent defaults in its obligation to calculate any Interest Amount in accordance with sub-paragraph (ii)(A) or (B) above or as otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, as the case may be, and in each case in accordance with paragraph (iv) above, the Trustee shall determine the Rate of Interest at such rate as, in its absolute discretion (having such regard as it shall think fit to the foregoing provisions of this Condition, but subject always to any Minimum Rate of Interest or Maximum Rate of Interest specified in the applicable Final Terms), it shall deem fair and reasonable in all the circumstances or, as the case may be, the Trustee shall calculate the Interest Amount(s) in such manner as it shall deem fair and reasonable in all the circumstances and each such determination or calculation shall be deemed to have been made by the Agent or the Calculation Agent, as applicable.

# (vii) Certificates to be final

All certificates, communications, opinions, determinations, calculations, quotations and decisions given, expressed, made or deemed to be made or obtained for the purposes of the provisions of this Condition 5(b), whether by the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent, shall (in the absence of wilful default, bad faith, manifest error or proven error) be binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Agent, the Calculation Agent (if applicable), the other Paying Agents and all Noteholders, Receiptholders and Couponholders and (in the absence of wilful default or bad faith) no liability to the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Noteholders, the Receiptholders or the Couponholders shall attach to the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent or the Trustee in connection with the exercise or non-exercise by it of its powers, duties and discretions pursuant to such provisions.

## (c) Interest on Dual Currency Interest Notes

The rate or amount of interest payable in respect of Dual Currency Interest Notes shall be determined in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## (d) Interest on Partly Paid Notes

In the case of Partly Paid Notes (other than Partly Paid Notes which are Zero Coupon Notes), interest will accrue as aforesaid on the paid-up nominal amount of such Notes and otherwise as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## (e) Accrual of interest

Each Note (or in the case of the redemption of part only of a Note, that part only of such Note) will cease to bear interest (if any) from the date for its redemption unless, upon due presentation thereof, payment of principal is improperly withheld or refused. In such event, interest will continue to accrue as provided in the Trust Deed.

## 6. PAYMENTS

# (a) Method of payment

Subject as provided below:

- (i) payments in a Specified Currency other than euro will be made by credit or transfer to an account in the relevant Specified Currency maintained by the payee with, or, at the option of the payee, by a cheque in such Specified Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Specified Currency (which, if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars or New Zealand dollars, shall be Sydney and Wellington, respectively); and
- (ii) payments in euro will be made by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque.

Payments will be subject in all cases to any fiscal or other laws and regulations applicable thereto in the place of payment, but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 8.

# (b) Presentation of definitive Notes, Receipts and Coupons

Payments of principal in respect of definitive Notes will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner provided in paragraph (a) above only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of definitive Notes, and payments of interest in respect of definitive Notes will (subject as provided below) be made as aforesaid only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part

payment of any sum due, endorsement) of Coupons, in each case at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States (which expression, as used herein, means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia, its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction)).

Payments of instalments of principal (if any) in respect of definitive Notes, other than the final instalment, will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner provided in paragraph (a) above against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of the relevant Receipt in accordance with the preceding paragraph. Payment of the final instalment will be made in the manner provided in paragraph (a) above only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of the relevant Note in accordance with the preceding paragraph. Each Receipt must be presented for payment of the relevant instalment together with the definitive Note to which it appertains. Receipts presented without the definitive Note to which they appertain do not constitute valid obligations of the Issuer. Upon the date on which any definitive Note becomes due and repayable, unmatured Receipts (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect thereof.

Fixed Rate Notes in definitive form (other than Dual Currency Notes, Index Linked Notes or Long Maturity Notes (as defined below)) should be presented for payment together with all unmatured Coupons appertaining thereto (which expression shall for this purpose include Coupons falling to be issued on exchange of matured Talons), failing which the amount of any missing unmatured Coupon (or, in the case of payment not being made in full, the same proportion of the amount of such missing unmatured Coupon as the sum so paid bears to the sum due) will be deducted from the sum due for payment. Each amount of principal so deducted will be paid in the manner mentioned above against surrender of the relative missing Coupon at any time before the expiry of 10 years after the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 8) in respect of such principal (whether or not such Coupon would otherwise have become void under Condition 9) or, if later, five years from the date on which such Coupon would otherwise have become due, but in no event thereafter.

Upon any Fixed Rate Note in definitive form becoming due and repayable prior to its Maturity Date, all unmatured Talons (if any) appertaining thereto will become void and no further Coupons will be issued in respect thereof.

Upon the date on which any Floating Rate Note, Dual Currency Note, Index Linked Note or Long Maturity Note in definitive form becomes due and repayable, unmatured Coupons and Talons (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment or, as the case may be, exchange for further Coupons shall be made in respect thereof. A "Long Maturity Note" is a Fixed Rate Note (other than a Fixed Rate Note which on issue had a Talon attached) whose nominal amount on issue is less than the aggregate interest payable thereon provided that such Note shall cease to be a Long Maturity Note on the Interest Payment Date on which the aggregate amount of interest remaining to be paid after that date is less than the nominal amount of such Note.

If the due date for redemption of any definitive Note is not an Interest Payment Date, interest (if any) accrued in respect of such Note from (and including) the preceding Interest Payment Date or, as the case may be, the Interest Commencement Date shall be payable only against surrender of the relevant definitive Note.

## (c) Payments in respect of Global Notes

Payments of principal and interest (if any) in respect of Notes represented by any Global Note will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner specified above in relation to definitive Notes and otherwise in the manner specified in the relevant Global Note against presentation or surrender, as the case may be, of such Global Note at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States. A record of each payment made against presentation or surrender of any Global Note, distinguishing between any payment of principal and any payment of interest, will be made on such Global Note by the Paying Agent to which it was presented and such record shall be *prima facie* evidence that the payment in question has been made.

## (d) General provisions applicable to payments

The holder of a Global Note shall be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of Notes represented by such Global Note and the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Guarantor will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Note in respect of each amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as the beneficial holder of a particular nominal amount of Notes represented by such Global Note must look solely to Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, for his share of each payment so made by the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Guarantor to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Note.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Condition, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms and any amount of principal and/or interest in respect of Notes is payable in U.S. dollars, such U.S. dollar payments of principal and/or interest in respect of such Notes will be made at the specified office of a Paying Agent in the United States if:

- (i) the Issuer has appointed Paying Agents with specified offices outside the United States with the reasonable expectation that such Paying Agents would be able to make payment in U.S. dollars at such specified offices outside the United States of the full amount of principal and interest on the Notes in the manner provided above when due;
- (ii) payment of the full amount of such principal and interest at all such specified offices outside the United States is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions on the full payment or receipt of principal and interest in U.S. dollars; and
- (iii) such payment is then permitted under United States law without involving, in the opinion of the Issuer and the Guarantor, adverse tax consequences to the Issuer or the Guarantor.

## (e) Payment Day

If the date for payment of any amount in respect of any Note, Receipt or Coupon is not a Payment Day, the holder thereof shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day in the relevant place and shall not be entitled to further interest or other payment in respect of such delay. For these purposes, "Payment Day" means any day which (subject to Condition 9) is:

- (i) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in:
  - (A) the relevant place of presentation;
  - (B) London;
  - (C) each Additional Financial Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (ii) either (1) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (if other than the place of presentation, London and any Additional Financial Centre and which if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars or New Zealand dollars shall be Sydney and Wellington, respectively) or (2) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which the TARGET 2 System is open.

## (f) Interpretation of principal and interest

Any reference in the Conditions to principal in respect of the Notes shall be deemed to include, as applicable:

- (i) any additional amounts which may be payable with respect to principal under Condition 8 or under any undertaking or covenant given in addition thereto, or in substitution therefor, pursuant to the Trust Deed;
- (ii) the Final Redemption Amount of the Notes;
- (iii) the Early Redemption Amount of the Notes;
- (iv) the Optional Redemption Amount(s) (if any) of the Notes;
- (v) in relation to Notes redeemable in instalments, the Instalment Amounts;
- (vi) in relation to Zero Coupon Notes, the Amortised Face Amount (as defined in Condition 7(e)); and
- (vii) any premium and any other amounts (other than interest) which may be payable by the Issuer under or in respect of the Notes.

Any reference in the Conditions to interest in respect of the Notes shall be deemed to include, as applicable, any additional amounts which may be payable with respect to interest under Condition 8 or under any undertaking or covenant given in addition thereto, or in substitution therefor, pursuant to the Trust Deed.

#### 7. REDEMPTION AND PURCHASE

## (a) Redemption at maturity

Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled as specified below, each Note (including each Index Linked Redemption Note and Dual Currency Redemption Note) will be redeemed by the Issuer at its Final Redemption Amount specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms in the relevant Specified Currency on the Maturity Date.

## (b) Redemption for tax reasons

The Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part, at any time (if this Note is neither a Floating Rate Note, an Index Linked Interest Note nor a Dual Currency Interest Note) or on any Interest Payment Date (if this Note is either a Floating Rate Note, an Index Linked Interest Note or a Dual Currency Interest Note), on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee and the Agent and, in accordance with Condition 15, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), if the Issuer or the Guarantor satisfies the Trustee immediately before the giving of such notice that:

- (i) on the occasion of the next payment due under the Notes, the Issuer has or will become obliged to pay additional amounts as provided or referred to in Condition 8 or the Guarantor would be unable for reasons outside its control to procure payment by the Issuer and in making payment itself would be required to pay such additional amounts, in each case as a result of any change in, or amendment to, the laws or regulations of a Tax Jurisdiction (as defined in Condition 8) or any change in the application or official or generally accepted interpretation of such laws or regulations, which change or amendment becomes effective on or after the date on which agreement is reached to issue the first Tranche of the Notes; and
- (ii) such obligation cannot be avoided by the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Guarantor taking reasonable measures available to it,

provided that no such notice of redemption shall be given earlier than 90 days prior to the earliest date on which the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Guarantor would be obliged to pay such additional amounts were a payment in respect of the Notes then due.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two Authorised Signatories of the Issuer or, as the case may be, two Authorised Signatories of the Guarantor stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer so to redeem have occurred, and an opinion of independent legal advisers of recognised standing to the effect that the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Guarantor has or will become obliged to pay such additional amounts as a result of such change or amendment and the Trustee shall be entitled to accept the certificate as sufficient evidence of the satisfaction of the conditions precedent set out above, in which event it shall be conclusive and binding on the Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders.

Notes redeemed pursuant to this Condition 7(b) will be redeemed at their Early Redemption Amount referred to in paragraph (e) below together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption.

## (c) Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)

If Issuer Call is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may, having given:

- (i) not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 15; and
- (ii) not less than 15 days before the giving of the notice referred to in (i), notice to the Trustee and to the Agent;

(which notices shall be irrevocable and shall specify the date fixed for redemption), redeem all or some only of the Notes then outstanding on any Optional Redemption Date and at the Optional Redemption Amount(s) specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the relevant Optional Redemption Date. Any such redemption must be of a nominal amount not less than the Minimum Redemption Amount and not more than the Maximum Redemption Amount, in each case as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms. In the case of a partial redemption of Notes, the Notes to be redeemed ("Redeemed Notes") will be selected individually by lot, in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes, and in accordance with the rules of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, (to be reflected in the records of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg as

either a pool factor or a reduction in nominal amount, at their discretion) in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by a Global Note, not more than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption (such date of selection being hereinafter called the "Selection Date"). In the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes, a list of the serial numbers of such Redeemed Notes will be published in accordance with Condition 15 not less than 15 days prior to the date fixed for redemption. No exchange of the relevant Global Note will be permitted during the period from (and including) the Selection Date to (and including) the date fixed for redemption pursuant to this paragraph (c) and notice to that effect shall be given by the Issuer to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 15 at least five days prior to the Selection Date.

## (d) Redemption at the option of the Noteholders (Investor Put)

If Investor Put is specified in the applicable Final Terms, upon the holder of any Note giving to the Issuer in accordance with Condition 15 not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice, the Issuer will, upon the expiry of such notice, redeem, subject to, and in accordance with, the terms specified in the applicable Final Terms, such Note on the Optional Redemption Date and at the Optional Redemption Amount together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the Optional Redemption Date. It may be that before an Investor Put can be exercised, certain conditions and/or circumstances will need to be satisfied. Where relevant, the provisions will be set out in the applicable Final Terms.

To exercise the right to require redemption of this Note the holder of this Note must, if this Note is in definitive form and held outside Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, deliver, at the specified office of any Paying Agent at any time during normal business hours of such Paying Agent falling within the notice period, a duly completed and signed notice of exercise in the form (for the time being current) obtainable from any specified office of any Paying Agent (a "Put Notice") and in which the holder must specify a bank account (or, if payment is required to be made by cheque, an address) to which payment is to be made under this Condition accompanied by this Note or evidence satisfactory to the Paying Agent concerned that this Note will, following delivery of the Put Notice, be held to its order or under its control. If this Note is represented by a Global Note or is in definitive form and held through Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, to exercise the right to require redemption of this Note the holder of this Note must, within the notice period, give notice to the Agent of such exercise in accordance with the standard procedures of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (which may include notice being given on his instruction by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or any common depositary or common safekeeper, as the case may be, for them to the Agent by electronic means) in a form acceptable to Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg from time to time and, if this Note is represented by a Global Note, at the same time present or procure the presentation of the relevant Global Note to the Agent for notation accordingly.

Any Put Notice or other notice given in accordance with the standard procedures of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg given by a holder of any Note pursuant to this paragraph (d) shall be irrevocable except where, prior to the due date of redemption, an Event of Default has occurred and the Trustee has declared the Notes to be immediately due and payable pursuant to Condition 10, in which event such holder, at its option, may elect by notice to the Issuer to withdraw the notice given pursuant to this paragraph (d).

# (e) Early Redemption Amounts

For the purpose of paragraph (b) above and Condition 10, each Note will be redeemed at its Early Redemption Amount calculated as follows:

- (i) in the case of a Note (other than a Zero Coupon Note but including an Instalment Note and a Partly Paid Note) with a Final Redemption Amount which is or may be less or greater than the Issue Price or which is payable in a Specified Currency other than that in which the Note is denominated, at the amount specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms or, if no such amount or manner is so specified in the applicable Final Terms, at its nominal amount; or
- (ii) in the case of a Zero Coupon Note, at an amount (the "Amortised Face Amount") calculated in accordance with the following formula:

Early Redemption Amount =  $RP \times (1 + AY)^y$ 

where:

"RP" means the Reference Price;

"AY" means the Accrual Yield expressed as a decimal; and

"y" is a fraction the numerator of which is equal to the number of days (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 months of 30 days each) from (and including) the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption or (as the case may be) the date upon which such Note becomes due and repayable and the denominator of which is 360,

or on such other calculation basis as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

#### (f) Instalments

Instalment Notes will be redeemed in the Instalment Amounts and on the Instalment Dates. In the case of early redemption, the Early Redemption Amount will be determined pursuant to paragraph (e) above.

## (g) Partly Paid Notes

Partly Paid Notes will be redeemed, whether at maturity, early redemption or otherwise, in accordance with the provisions of this Condition and the applicable Final Terms.

#### (h) Purchases

The Issuer, the Guarantor or any Subsidiary of the Issuer or the Guarantor may at any time purchase Notes (provided that, in the case of definitive Notes, all unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons appertaining thereto are purchased therewith) at any price in the open market or otherwise. If purchases are made by tender, tenders must be available to all Noteholders alike. Such Notes may be held, reissued, resold or, at the option of the Issuer or the Guarantor, surrendered to any Paying Agent for cancellation.

#### (i) Cancellation

All Notes which are redeemed will forthwith be cancelled (together with all unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons attached thereto or surrendered therewith at the time of redemption). All Notes so cancelled and any Notes purchased and cancelled pursuant to paragraph (h) above (together with all unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons cancelled therewith) shall be forwarded to the Agent and cannot be reissued or resold.

# (j) Late payment on Zero Coupon Notes

If the amount payable in respect of any Zero Coupon Note upon redemption of such Zero Coupon Note pursuant to paragraph (a), (b), (c) or (d) above or upon its becoming due and repayable as provided in Condition 10 is improperly withheld or refused, the amount due and repayable in respect of such Zero Coupon Note shall be the amount calculated as provided in paragraph (e)(ii) above as though the references therein to the date fixed for the redemption or the date upon which such Zero Coupon Note becomes due and payable were replaced by references to the date which is the earlier of:

- (i) the date on which all amounts due in respect of such Zero Coupon Note have been paid; and
- (ii) five days after the date on which the full amount of the moneys payable in respect of such Zero Coupon Note has been received by the Agent or the Trustee and notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 15.

## 8. TAXATION

All payments of principal and interest in respect of the Notes, Receipts and Coupons by the Issuer or the Guarantor shall be made free and clear of, and without withholding or deduction for, any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature ("Taxes") imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by or within any Tax Jurisdiction unless such withholding or deduction is required by law. In that event, the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Guarantor shall pay such additional amounts as will result in receipt by holders of the Notes, Receipts or Coupons of such amounts as would have been received by them had no such withholding or deduction been required; except that no such additional amounts shall be payable with respect to any Note, Receipt or Coupon:

- (a) presented for payment by or on behalf of a holder who is liable to such Taxes in respect of such Note, Receipt or Coupon by reason of his having some connection with a Tax Jurisdiction other than the mere holding of such Note, Receipt or Coupon; or
- (b) presented for payment more than 30 days after the Relevant Date (as defined below) except to the extent that the holder thereof would have been entitled to an additional amount on presenting the same for payment on the last day of such period of 30 days; or
- (c) where such withholding or deduction is imposed on a payment to an individual and is required to be made pursuant to the European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any other Directive implementing the conclusions

- of the Ecofin Council meeting of 26-27 November 2000 on the taxation of savings income or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive; or
- (d) to, or to a third party on behalf of, a holder to whom payment could have been made without any such withholding or deduction had such a holder made a declaration of non-residence or made any other claim or filing for exemption to which it is entitled to the relevant tax authority or Paying Agent; or
- (e) presented for payment by or on behalf of a holder who would be able to avoid such withholding or deduction by presenting the relevant Note, Receipt or Coupon to another Paying Agent in a Member State of the European Union.

## As used herein:

- (i) "Tax Jurisdiction" means the United Kingdom or any political subdivision or any authority thereof or therein having power to tax; and
- (ii) "Relevant Date" means the date on which such payment first becomes due, except that, if the full amount of the moneys payable has not been duly received by the Trustee or the Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which, the full amount of such moneys having been so received, notice to that effect is duly given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 15.

## 9. PRESCRIPTION

The Notes, Receipts and Coupons will become void unless presented for payment within a period of 10 years (in the case of principal) and five years (in the case of interest) after the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 8) therefor.

There shall not be included in any Coupon sheet issued on exchange of a Talon any Coupon the claim for payment in respect of which would be void pursuant to this Condition or Condition 7(b) or any Talon which would be void pursuant to Condition 7(b).

#### 10. EVENTS OF DEFAULT

The Trustee at its discretion may, and if so requested in writing by the holders of at least one-quarter in nominal amount of the Notes then outstanding or if so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution shall (subject in each case to being indemnified to its satisfaction), give notice in writing to the Issuer, and in the case of Guaranteed Notes, the Guarantor, that each Note is, and each Note shall thereupon become, immediately due and repayable at its Early Redemption Amount (determined in accordance with Condition 7(e)) together with accrued interest as provided in the Trust Deed if any of the following events (each an "Event of Default") shall occur and be continuing:

- (a) if default is made in the payment of any principal or interest due in respect of the Notes or any of them and the default continues for a period of seven days in the case of principal and fourteen days in the case of interest; or
- (b) if the Issuer or the Guarantor fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Conditions or the Trust Deed and (except in any case where, in the opinion of the Trustee, the failure is incapable of remedy when no such continuation or notice as is hereinafter mentioned will be required) the failure continues for the period of 30 days (or such longer period as the Trustee may permit) next following the service by the Trustee on the Issuer or the Guarantor, as the case may be, of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or
- (c) (i) any other present or future indebtedness of the Issuer or the Guarantor for or in respect of moneys borrowed becomes due and payable prior to its stated maturity by reason of any event of default (howsoever described), or (ii) any such indebtedness is not paid when due or if later, as the case may be, at the end of any applicable grace period, or (iii) the Issuer or the Guarantor fails to pay when due any amount payable by it under any present or future guarantee for, or indemnity in respect of, any moneys borrowed or raised, except to the extent in any instance that the existence or enforceability of the relevant obligation is being disputed in good faith by it by appropriate proceedings provided that the aggregate amount of the relevant indebtedness, guarantees and indemnities in respect of which one or more of the events mentioned above in this paragraph (c) have occurred and is continuing equals or exceeds U.S.\$100,000,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency or currencies); or
- (d) if any mortgage, charge, pledge, lien or other encumbrance, present or future, created or assumed by the Issuer or the Guarantor over all or a substantial part of its property or assets for an amount at the relevant time in excess of U.S.\$100,000,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency or currencies) becomes enforceable and any step is taken to enforce it (including the taking of possession or the appointment of a receiver, administrative receiver, manager or other similar person) unless such enforcement is discharged within 60 days or is the subject of a bona fide dispute; or

- (e) if the Issuer or the Guarantor is unable to pay its debts as they fall due or threatens to stop payment of its debts, except for the purpose of and followed by a solvent reconstruction, amalgamation, reorganisation, merger or consolidation on terms previously approved in writing by the Trustee or by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Noteholders; or
- (f) if the Issuer or the Guarantor takes any corporate action for its winding-up, dissolution, administration or re-organisation or if a receiver, liquidator, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer is appointed in respect of it or of all or a substantial part of its revenues and assets, except for the purpose of and followed by a solvent reconstruction, amalgamation, reorganisation, merger or consolidation on terms previously approved in writing by the Trustee or by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Noteholders; or
- (g) the Guarantee ceases to be, or is claimed by the Guarantor not to be, in full force and effect,

provided that the Trustee shall have certified that, in its opinion, such event is materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders.

#### 11. ENFORCEMENT

- (a) The Trustee may at any time, at its discretion and without notice, take such proceedings against the Issuer and/or the Guarantor as it may think fit to enforce the provisions of the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Receipts and the Coupons, but it shall not be bound to take any such proceedings or any other action in relation to the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Receipts or the Coupons unless (i) it shall have been so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution or so requested in writing by the holders of at least one-quarter in nominal amount of the Notes then outstanding and (ii) it shall have been indemnified to its satisfaction.
- (b) No Noteholder, Receiptholder or Couponholder shall be entitled to proceed directly against the Issuer and/or the Guarantor unless the Trustee, having become bound so to proceed, fails so to do within a reasonable period and the failure shall be continuing.

## 12. REPLACEMENT OF NOTES, RECEIPTS, COUPONS AND TALONS

Should any Note, Receipt, Coupon or Talon be lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be replaced at the specified office of the Agent upon payment by the claimant of such costs and expenses as may be incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence, security and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Notes, Receipts, Coupons or Talons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

## 13. PAYING AGENTS

The names of the initial Paying Agents and their initial specified offices are set out below.

The Issuer is entitled, with the prior written approval of the Trustee, to vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent and/or appoint additional or other Paying Agents and/or approve any change in the specified office through which any Paying Agent acts, provided that:

- (a) there will at all times be an Agent, and a Paying Agent in a continental European country; and
- (b) so long as the Notes are listed on any stock exchange or admitted to listing by any other relevant authority, there will at all times be a Paying Agent with a specified office in such place as may be required by the rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange or other relevant authority; and
- (c) the Issuer undertakes that it will ensure that it maintains a Paying Agent in a Member State of the European Union that will not be obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any other Directive implementing the conclusions of the Ecofin Council meeting of 26-27 November 2000 or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive.

In addition, the Issuer shall forthwith appoint a Paying Agent having a specified office in New York City in the circumstances described in Condition 6(d). Any variation, termination, appointment or change shall only take effect with the prior written approval of the Trustee (other than in the case of insolvency, when it shall be of immediate effect) after not less than 30 nor more than 45 days' prior notice thereof shall have been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 15.

In acting under the Agency Agreement, the Paying Agents act solely as agents of the Issuer and the Guarantor and, in certain circumstances specified therein, of the Trustee and do not assume any obligation to, or relationship of agency or trust with, any Noteholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders. The Agency Agreement contains

provisions permitting any entity into which any Paying Agent is merged or converted or with which it is consolidated or to which it transfers all or substantially all of its assets to become the successor paying agent.

#### 14. EXCHANGE OF TALONS

On and after the Interest Payment Date on which the final Coupon comprised in any Coupon sheet matures, the Talon (if any) forming part of such Coupon sheet may be surrendered at the specified office of the Agent or any other Paying Agent in exchange for a further Coupon sheet including (if such further Coupon sheet does not include Coupons to (and including) the final date for the payment of interest due in respect of the Note to which it appertains) a further Talon, subject to the provisions of Condition 9.

#### 15. NOTICES

All notices regarding the Notes will be deemed to be validly given if published in a leading English language daily newspaper of general circulation in London. It is expected that such publication will be made in the *Financial Times*. The Issuer shall also ensure that notices are duly published in a manner which complies with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Notes are for the time being listed or by which they have been admitted to trading. Any such notice will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication or, where required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the date of the first publication in all required newspapers. If publication as provided above is not practicable, notice will be given in such other manner, and will be deemed to have been given on such date, as the Trustee shall approve.

Until such time as any definitive Notes are issued, there may, so long as any Global Notes representing the Notes are held in their entirety on behalf of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, be substituted for such publication in such newspaper(s) the delivery of the relevant notice to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg for communication by them to the holders of the Notes and, in addition, for so long as any Notes are listed on a stock exchange or are admitted to trading by another relevant authority and the rules of that stock exchange or relevant authority so require, such notice will be published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the place or places required by those rules. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given to the holders of the Notes on the seventh day after the day on which the said notice was given to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg.

Notices to be given by any Noteholder shall be in writing and given by lodging the same, together (in the case of any Note in definitive form) with the relative Note or Notes, with the Agent. Whilst any of the Notes are represented by a Global Note, such notice may be given by any holder of a Note to the Agent through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, in such manner as the Agent and Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, may approve for this purpose.

# 16. MEETINGS OF NOTEHOLDERS, MODIFICATION, WAIVER AND SUBSTITUTION

#### (a) Meetings

The Trust Deed contains provisions for convening meetings of the Noteholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the sanctioning by Extraordinary Resolution of a modification of the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons or any of the provisions of the Trust Deed. Such a meeting may be convened by the Issuer, the Guarantor or the Trustee and shall be convened by the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Guarantor, if required in writing by Noteholders holding more than 10 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being remaining outstanding. The quorum at any such meeting for passing an Extraordinary Resolution is one or more persons holding or representing not less than 50 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned meeting one or more persons being or representing Noteholders whatever the nominal amount of the Notes so held or represented, except that at any meeting the business of which includes the modification of certain provisions of the Notes, the Receipts or the Coupons or the Trust Deed (including modifying the date of maturity of the Notes or any date for payment of interest thereon, reducing or cancelling the amount of principal or the rate of interest payable in respect of the Notes or altering the currency of payment of the Notes, the Receipts or the Coupons), the quorum shall be one or more persons holding or representing more than one-third in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. An Extraordinary Resolution passed at any meeting of the Noteholders shall be binding on all the Noteholders, whether or not they are present at the meeting, and on all Receiptholders and Couponholders.

In addition, a resolution in writing signed by or on behalf of the holders of not less than 95 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding will take effect as if it were an Extraordinary Resolution. Such a resolution in writing may be contained in one document or several documents in or substantially in the same form, each signed by or on behalf of one or more Noteholders.

## (b) Modification and Waiver

The Trustee may agree, without the consent of the Noteholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders, to any modification of, or to the waiver or authorisation of any breach or proposed breach of, any of the provisions of the Notes or the Trust Deed, or determine, without any such consent as aforesaid, that any Event of Default or potential Event of Default shall not be treated as such, where, in any such case, it is not, in the opinion of the Trustee, materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders so to do or may agree, without any such consent as aforesaid, to any modification which is of a formal, minor or technical nature or to correct a manifest error or an error which, in the opinion of the Trustee, is proven. Any such modification shall be binding on the Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders and any such modification shall be notified to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 15 as soon as practicable thereafter.

## (c) Exercise of Powers etc.

In connection with the exercise by it of any of its trusts, powers, authorities and discretions (including, without limitation, any modification, waiver, authorisation or determination), the Trustee shall have regard to the general interests of the Noteholders as a class (but shall not have regard to any interests arising from circumstances particular to individual Noteholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders whatever their number) and, in particular but without limitation, shall not have regard to the consequences of any such exercise for individual Noteholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders (whatever their number) resulting from their being for any purpose domiciled or resident in, or otherwise connected with, or subject to the jurisdiction of, any particular territory or any political sub-division thereof and the Trustee shall not be entitled to require, nor shall any Noteholder, Receiptholder or Couponholder be entitled to claim, from the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Trustee or any other person any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax consequences of any such exercise upon individual Noteholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders except to the extent already provided for in Condition 8 and/or any undertaking or covenant given in addition to, or in substitution for, Condition 8 pursuant to the Trust Deed.

## (d) Substitution

The Trustee may, without the consent of the Noteholders, the Receiptholders or the Couponholders, agree with the Issuer to the substitution in place of the Issuer (or of any previous substitute under this Condition) as the principal debtor under the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons and the Trust Deed:

- (i) (where the Issuer is Anglo American Capital) of another Subsidiary of the Guarantor or the Guarantor, subject (except where the new principal debtor is the Guarantor) to the Notes continuing to be unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by the Guarantor; or
- (ii) (where the Issuer is Anglo American) of a Subsidiary of the Guarantor, subject to the Notes being unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by the Guarantor

and subject to, in the case of both (i) and (ii) above, (a) the Trustee being satisfied that the interests of the Noteholders will not be materially prejudiced by the substitution and (b) certain other conditions set out in the Trust Deed being complied with.

# 17. INDEMNIFICATION OF THE TRUSTEE AND TRUSTEE CONTRACTING WITH THE ISSUER AND/OR THE GUARANTOR

The Trust Deed contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee and for its relief from responsibility, including provisions relieving it from taking action unless indemnified to its satisfaction.

The Trust Deed also contains provisions pursuant to which the Trustee is entitled, *inter alia*, (i) to enter into business transactions with the Issuer and/or the Guarantor and/or any of their respective Subsidiaries and to act as trustee for the holders of any other securities issued or guaranteed by, or relating to, the Issuer, the Guarantor and/or any of their respective Subsidiaries, (ii) to exercise and enforce its rights, comply with its obligations and perform its duties under or in relation to any such transactions or, as the case may be, any such trusteeship without regard to the interests of, or consequences for, the Noteholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders and (iii) to retain and not be liable to account for any profit made or any other amount or benefit received thereby or in connection therewith.

## 18. FURTHER ISSUES

The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of the Noteholders, the Receiptholders or the Couponholders to create and issue further notes having terms and conditions the same as the Notes or the same in all respects save for the amount and date of the first payment of interest thereon and so that the same shall be consolidated and form a single Series with the outstanding Notes.

# 19. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

No person shall have any right to enforce any term or condition of this Note under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

## 20. GOVERNING LAW

The Trust Deed, the Agency Agreement, the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with them are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law.

# **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The net proceeds from each issue of Notes will be applied by the relevant Issuer for its general corporate purposes, which include making a profit. If, in respect of any particular issue of Notes which are derivative securities for the purposes of Article 15 of the Commission Regulation No 809/2004 implementing the Prospectus Directive, there is a particular identified use of proceeds, this will be stated in the applicable Final Terms.

#### DESCRIPTION OF ANGLO AMERICAN PLC AND THE ANGLO AMERICAN GROUP

## Introduction

Anglo American plc ("Anglo American") was incorporated on 14 May 1998 with limited liability under the Companies Act 1985 and registered in England and Wales under the registered number 03564138 and is the holding company of the group of companies comprising Anglo American and its subsidiaries (the "Group"), which was created in 1999 from the combination of Anglo American Corporation of South Africa Limited and Minorco S.A. and is one of the world's largest mining and natural resource groups. Anglo American's principal and registered office is located at 20 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AN, England and the telephone number of its registered office is: +4420 7968 8888.

# Principal Activities of the Group

Anglo American is a global leader in mining. The Group has a strong track record in mining and processing natural resources. With its subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates, it is a world leader in platinum group metals and diamonds, with significant interests in coal, and base and ferrous metals. The Group also has an industrial minerals business and an investment in AngloGold Ashanti. The Group is geographically diverse, with operations in Africa, South and North America, Australia, Europe and Asia.

Anglo American's businesses comprise:

**Platinum** – Anglo American is one of the world's largest primary producers of platinum, through its subsidiary Anglo Platinum Limited, located in South Africa, accounting for approximately 39 per cent. of the world's newly mined platinum output.

**Diamonds** – Anglo American's diamond interest is represented by its 45 per cent. shareholding in De Beers the world's largest supplier and marketer of gem diamonds.

**Base Metals** – Anglo American's portfolio primarily comprises copper, nickel, zinc and niobium operations. Anglo American's base metal business mainly operates in South America, southern Africa and Ireland.

**Ferrous Metals** – Anglo Ferrous Metals' businesses produce iron ore, manganese and steel products for the mining and infrastructure sectors. Its operations are mainly in South Africa, South America, Canada and Australia.

**Coal** – Anglo Coal is one of the world's largest private sector coal producers and exporters. Its operations are in South Africa, Australia, Canada, Colombia and Venezuela.

**Industrial Minerals** – Tarmac is the leading UK producer of aggregates and asphalt and a leading producer of ready-mixed concrete. Its operations are primarily in the UK, continental Europe and the Middle East. In 2007, Anglo American announced plans to sell Tarmac. The sale process has been delayed until current credit market conditions improve. However, the Tarmac Group continues to be managed to maximise shareholder value while options for its sale are being explored.

## Anglo American's discontinued operations:

Gold – In October 2007, the Group sold 67.1 million shares in AngloGold Ashanti for \$2.9 billion, reducing the Group's shareholding from 41.6 per cent. to 17.3 per cent. The Group's representation on the company's board was also withdrawn at this time. The remaining investment is accounted for as a financial asset investment. The AngloGold Ashanti business is presented in the Group's 2008 financial statements as a discontinued operation. The Group's shareholding at the end of 31 December 2008 was 16.2 per cent. Subsequent to the year end, the Group's holding in AngloGold Ashanti was reduced to 11.8 per cent. on 20 February 2009. On 17 March 2009, Anglo American announced the sale of its remaining 11.3 per cent. shareholding in AngloGold Ashanti for \$1.28 billion. Consistent with Anglo American's stated intention to dispose of this non-core holding, Anglo American no longer owns any shares in AngloGold Ashanti.

## **Board of Directors**

The Directors of Anglo American plc and their functions and principal directorships outside the Anglo American Group are as follows:

Name	Title	Principal activities outside the Anglo American Group	
Cynthia B Carroll	Executive Director, Chief Executive	Non-Executive Director of BP plc and De Beers s.a.	
René Médori	Executive Director Finance	Non-Executive Director of De Beers s.a., DB Investments and Scottish and Southern Energy plc.	
Sir Mark Moody-Stuart	Non-Executive Director, Chairman	Director of HSBC Holdings plc, Accenture Ltd and Saudi Aramco, Member of the board of the UN Global Compact and Chairman of the Foundation for the Global Compact.	
David Challen	Senior Independent Non-Executive Director	Vice Chairman of Citigroup European Investment Bank, a Non-Executive Director of Smiths Group plc and the Classical Opera Company and Deputy Chairman of the UK Takeover Panel.	
Sir CK Chow	Non-Executive Director	CEO of MTR Corporation.	
Dr. Christopher Ernest Fay	Non-Executive Director	Non-Executive Chairman of Brightside Group, Iofina plc and Stena International S.à. r.l.	
Sir Rob John Margetts	Non-Executive Director	Non-Executive Chairman of Legal & General Group, Ensus Ltd, Ordinance Survey and The Energy Technologies Institute and Non-Executive Director of Falck Renewables and Neochimiki S.A.	
Nicholas Frank Oppenheimer	Non-Executive Director	Chairman of De Beers s.a.	
Frederik Tshamano Mohau Phaswana	Non-Executive Director	Chairman of Transnet and a Non- Executive Director of Naspers.	
Dr Mamphela Ramphele	Non-Executive Director	Chairperson of Circle Capital Ventures and Non-Executive Director of Mediclinic & Business Partners S.A.	
Professor Karel Antonius Lucia Maria Van Miert	Non-Executive Director	A member of the Supervisory Boards of German utility RWE, Philips NV, Munich Re and Vivendi Universal. A member of the Advisory Boards of Goldman Sachs, Eli Lilly and a member of the Boards of Solvay s.a. and Agfa-Gevaert.	
Peter Woicke	Non-Executive Director	A member of the Board of Saudi Aramco and Chairman of the International Save the Children Alliance.	

The business address of each of the above is 20 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AN.

No potential conflicts of interest exist between the Directors' duties to Anglo American and their private interests or other duties.

# **Financial Statements**

The financial statements of the Group are consolidated and prepared under International Financial Reporting Standards adopted by the European Union. The financial statements are presented in United States Dollars.

Deloitte & Touche have audited Anglo American's accounts, without qualification, in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in the United Kingdom for the period ending 31 December 2008.

## Litigation

## Proceedings in South Africa

Anglo American South Africa Limited ("AASA"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Guarantor, is a defendant in eleven separate lawsuits, each one on behalf of a former mineworker (or his dependents or survivors) who allegedly contracted silicosis working for gold mining companies in which AASA was a shareholder and to which AASA provided various technical and administrative services. The aggregate amount of the eleven claims is less than U.S.\$3 million, although if these claims are determined adversely to AASA, there are a substantial number of additional former mineworkers who may seek to bring similar claims. The first trial of these claims is expected to be by means of arbitration in 2010, but the arrangements have not yet been agreed.

AASA has a number of defences to liability and intends to contest these claims vigorously, although it is not possible to predict the outcome of litigation or the amount of liability that could arise from the existing or possible future claims.

## Proceedings in Venezuela

In January 2008 Minera Loma de Niquel ("MLdN") was notified of the intention of the Venezuelan Ministry of Basic Industries and Mining ("MIBAM") to cancel 13 of its exploration and exploitation concessions due to MLdN's alleged failure to fulfil certain conditions of the concessions. These concessions do not include the concessions where the current mining operations and the metallurgical facilities are located. MLdN believes that it has complied with the conditions of these concessions and has lodged administrative appeals against the notices of termination and is waiting for a response from MIBAM. MLdN may in future undertake further appeals, including with Venezuela's Supreme Court, if MIBAM's ruling does not adequately protect its interests.

Anglo American and MLdN continue to strive to resolve this matter by way of constructive dialogue; however Anglo American and MLdN believe that there is a valid legal basis to reverse the notices of termination and will pursue all appropriate legal and other remedies and actions to protect their respective interests both under Venezuelan and international law. As such, Anglo American anticipates restoration of these concessions and renewal of those that expire in 2012. As a result the Group continues to consolidate MLdN and no impairment has been recorded for the year ended 31 December 2008.

In a separate development, the environmental permit for slag deposition expired on 23 November 2008. Pending reissuance of the permit, MLdN implemented a short term contingency plan to allow operations to continue by storing the slag in various locations in the plant area. On 23 December, MLdN suspended operations but a satisfactory temporary alternative operating and deposition approach was developed which enabled operations to restart on 28 January 2009.

As at 31 December 2008 Anglo American's interest in the book value of MLdN, including its mineral rights, was U.S.\$ 443 million (as included in the Group's balance sheet). In the 12 months to 31 December 2008, MLdN's production and contribution to Group operating profits were respectively, 10,900 tonnes of nickel in ferronickel and U.S.\$30 million.

## **Recent developments**

Anglo American inherited a 1978 agreement with Codelco, the Chilean state mining company, when it acquired Disputada de Las Condes (since renamed Anglo American Sur) in 2002. The agreement grants Codelco the right, subject to certain conditions and limitations, to acquire up to 49 per cent. minority interest in Anglo American Sur, the wholly owned Group company that owns the Los Bronces and El Soldado copper mines and the Chagres smelter. These conditions include limiting the window for exercising the right to once every three years in the month of January until January 2027. The right was not exercised in 2009. The next such window is January 2012. The calculations of the price at which Codelco can exercise its right are complex and confidential but do, inter alia, take account of company profitability over a five year period.

On 5 August 2008 the Group acquired a 63.3 per cent. shareholding in Anglo Ferrous Brazil S.A., which holds a 51 per cent. interest in the Minas-Rio iron ore project ("Minas-Rio") and a 70 per cent. interest in the Amapá iron ore system ("Amapá") at a price of Brazilian Real \$28.147 (approximately \$18.056) per share. At that time the Group committed to extend the offer to the minority shareholders of Anglo Ferrous Brazil S.A. This offer was formally made on 31 October 2008 and as a result the Group's shareholding in Anglo Ferrous Brazil S.A. as at

31 December 2008 was 98.9 per cent. Total cash paid to acquire a controlling interest was \$3.5 billion. A further \$2.0 billion was paid (including cash settlement of a related derivative instrument (\$0.7 billion)) to subsequently acquire minority interests. This transaction followed on from the prior year acquisition of a 49 per cent. interest in each of Minas-Rio and LLX Minas Rio, which owns the port of Acu. As a result of these transactions the Group's effective shareholding in each of the operating entities at 31 December 2008 was 99.4 per cent. in Minas-Rio, 49 per cent. in LLX Minas-Rio and 69.2 per cent. in Amapá.

## DESCRIPTION OF ANGLO AMERICAN CAPITAL PLC

## Incorporation, Registered Office and Purpose

Anglo American Capital plc ("Anglo American Capital"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Anglo American, was incorporated and registered in England and Wales under the registered number 04658814 on 6 February 2003 and operates under the Companies Act 1985 as a public limited company. Its registered office is at 20 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AN. Anglo American Capital was formed as a special purpose company solely for the purposes described in this document and has no subsidiaries.

Anglo American Capital's authorised share capital is £50,000 and U.S.\$1,000,000,000 divided into 50,000 3 per cent. cumulative preference shares of £1.00 each and 1,000,000,000 ordinary shares of U.S.\$1.00 each, of which 50,000 cumulative preference shares and 1,200 ordinary shares are in issue and fully paid up. All of Anglo American Capital's issued shares are beneficially owned by Anglo American.

#### **Board of Directors**

The Directors of Anglo American Capital and their functions and principal directorships outside Anglo American Capital are as follows:

Name	Title	Principal activities outside Anglo American Capital
Andrew Hodges	Secretary and Director	None
Nicholas Jordan	Director	None
Douglas Smailes	Director	Treasurer of Anglo American plc
Keith Roderick Tucker	Director	None
René Médori	Director	Non-Executive Director of De Beers s.a., DB Investments, Scottish and Southern Energy plc and Anglo Platinum Ltd, Finance Director of Anglo American plc

The business address of each of the above is 20 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AN and the telephone number of its registered office is: +4420 7968 8888.

No potential conflicts of interest exist between the Directors' duties to Anglo American Capital and their private interests or other duties.

#### **Financial Statements**

Deloitte & Touche have audited Anglo American Capital's accounts, without qualification, in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in the United Kingdom for the period from 6 February 2003 (Anglo American Capital's date of incorporation) to 31 December 2008. Anglo American Capital will not publish interim financial statements.

#### **TAXATION**

## **United Kingdom Taxation**

The comments below are of a general nature based on current United Kingdom law and HM Revenue and Customs ("HMRC") practice and relate only to the United Kingdom withholding tax treatment of payments of principal and interest in respect of the Notes. They do not deal with any other United Kingdom tax implications of acquiring, holding or disposing of Notes, and relate only to the position of persons who are the absolute beneficial owners of Notes, Coupons and Receipts and may not apply to certain classes of persons such as dealers and persons who are connected with the Issuer or certain professional investors. The United Kingdom tax treatment of prospective Noteholders depends on their individual circumstances and may be subject to change in the future. Prospective Noteholders who may be subject to tax in a jurisdiction other than the United Kingdom or who may be unsure as to their own tax position should consult their own professional advisers.

## Withholding of Tax on Interest

If the Notes are and continue to be listed on a recognised stock exchange within the meaning of section 1005 Income Tax Act 2007, payments of interest may be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax. The London Stock Exchange is such a recognised stock exchange. Securities will be treated as listed on the London Stock Exchange if they are included in the Official List (within the meaning of, and in accordance with, the provisions of Part 6 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000) and admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange. Provided, therefore, that the Notes are and remain so listed, interest on the Notes may be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax.

If the Notes have a maturity date less than one year from the date of issue and they are not issued pursuant to any scheme or arrangement the effect of which is to render such a Note part of a borrowing intended to be capable of remaining outstanding for a total term of one year or more, payments of interest on such Notes may be made by or on behalf of the Issuer without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax.

Interest on the Notes may also be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where interest on the Notes is paid by a company and, at the time the payment is made, that company reasonably believes (and any person by or through whom interest on the Notes is paid reasonably believes) that the beneficial owner of such interest is within the charge to United Kingdom corporation tax as regards the payment of interest, provided that HMRC has not given a direction (in circumstances where it has reasonable grounds to believe that it is likely that the beneficial owner does not so qualify) that the interest should be paid under deduction of tax.

In other cases, an amount must generally be withheld from payments of interest on the Notes on account of United Kingdom income tax at the basic rate (currently 20 per cent.) subject to the availability of other reliefs. However, where an applicable double tax treaty provides for a lower rate of withholding tax (or for no tax to be withheld) in relation to a Noteholder, HMRC can issue a notice to the Issuer to pay interest to the Noteholder without deduction of tax (or for interest to be paid with tax deducted at the rate provided for in the relevant double tax treaty).

## **Provision of Information**

Noteholders may wish to note that, in certain circumstances, HMRC has power to obtain information (including the name and address of the beneficial owner of the interest) from any person in the United Kingdom who either pays or credits interest to or receives interest for the benefit of a Noteholder. HMRC also has power, in certain circumstances, to obtain information from any person in the United Kingdom who pays amounts payable on the redemption of Notes which are deeply discounted securities for the purposes of Chapter 8 of Part 4 of the Income Tax (Trading and Other Income) Act 2005 to or receives such amounts for the benefit of another person, although HMRC published practice indicates that HMRC will not exercise the power referred to above to require this information in respect of amounts payable on the redemption of deeply discounted securities where such amounts are paid or received on or before 5 April 2009. Such information may include the name and address of the beneficial owner of the amount payable on redemption. Any information obtained may, in certain circumstances, be exchanged by HMRC with the tax authorities of the jurisdiction in which the Noteholder is resident for tax purposes.

## **EU Savings Directive**

Under EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income (the "Savings Directive"), Member States are required to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State details of payments of interest (or similar income) paid by a person within its jurisdiction to an individual resident, or to certain limited types of entities established, in that other Member State. However, for a transitional period, Belgium, Luxembourg and

Austria are instead required (unless during that period they elect otherwise) to operate a withholding system in relation to such payments (the ending of such transitional period being dependent upon the conclusion of certain other agreements relating to information exchange with certain other countries). A number of non-EU countries and territories including Switzerland have adopted similar measures (a withholding system in the case of Switzerland).

On 15 September 2008, the European Commission issued a report to the Council of the European Union on the operation of the Savings Directive, which included the European Commission's advice on the need for changes to the Savings Directive. On 13 November 2008, the European Commission published a more detailed proposal for amendments to the Savings Directive, which included a number of suggested changes. If any of those proposed changes are made in relation to the Savings Directive, they would amend or broaden the scope of the requirements described above.

#### SUBSCRIPTION AND SALE

The Dealers have, in a programme agreement (the "**Programme Agreement**") dated 19 March 2009, agreed with the Issuers and (in the case of Guaranteed Notes) the Guarantor a basis upon which they or any of them may from time to time agree to purchase Notes. Any such agreement will extend to those matters stated under "*Form of the Notes*" and "*Terms and Conditions of the Notes*". In the Programme Agreement, the relevant Issuer (failing which, the Guarantor) has agreed to reimburse the Dealers for certain of their expenses in connection with the establishment and any future update of the Programme and the issue of Notes under the Programme and to indemnify the Dealers against certain liabilities incurred by them in connection therewith.

#### **United States**

The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except in certain transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by Regulation S under the Securities Act.

The Notes are subject to U.S. tax law requirements and may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or its possessions or to a United States person, except in certain transactions permitted by U.S. tax regulations. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and regulations thereunder.

Each Dealer has represented and agreed, and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that it will not offer, sell or deliver Notes (i) as part of their distribution at any time or (ii) otherwise until 40 days after the completion of the distribution, as determined and certified by the relevant Dealer or, in the case of an issue of Notes on a syndicated basis, the relevant lead manager, of all Notes of the Tranche of which such Notes are a part, within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons. Each Dealer has further agreed, and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to agree, that it will send to each dealer to which it sells any Notes during the distribution compliance period a confirmation or other notice setting forth the restrictions on offers and sales of the Notes within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by Regulation S under the Securities Act.

Until 40 days after the commencement of the offering of any Series of Notes, an offer or sale of such Notes within the United States by any dealer (whether or not participating in the offering) may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act if such offer or sale is made otherwise than in accordance with an available exemption from registration under the Securities Act.

Each issuance of Index Linked Notes or Dual Currency Notes shall be subject to such additional U.S. selling restrictions as the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer may agree as a term of the issuance and purchase of such Notes, which additional selling restrictions shall be set out in the applicable Final Terms.

## Public Offer Selling Restriction under the Prospectus Directive

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a "Relevant Member State"), each Dealer has represented and agreed, and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the "Relevant Implementation Date") it has not made and will not make an offer of Notes which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this Offering Circular as completed by the final terms in relation thereto to the public in that Relevant Member State except that it may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of such Notes to the public in that Relevant Member State:

- (a) at any time to legal entities which are authorised or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorised or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities;
- (b) at any time to any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than €43,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than €50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts;
- (c) at any time to fewer than 100 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive) subject to obtaining the prior consent of the relevant Dealer or Dealers nominated by the Issuer for any such offer; or
- (d) at any time in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive,

provided that no such offer of Notes referred to in (a) to (d) above shall require the relevant Issuer or any Dealer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an "offer of Notes to the public" in relation to any Notes in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Notes to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Notes, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State and the expression "Prospectus Directive" means Directive 2003/71/EC and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Relevant Member State.

## United Kingdom

Each Dealer has represented and agreed, and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that:

- (a) in relation to any Notes which have a maturity of less than one year, (i) it is a person whose ordinary activities involve it in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of its business and (ii) it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell any Notes other than to persons whose ordinary activities involve them in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or as agent) for the purposes of their businesses or who it is reasonable to expect will acquire, hold, manage or dispose of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of their businesses where the issue of the Notes would otherwise constitute a contravention of Section 19 of the FSMA by the Issuer;
- (b) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Notes in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer or (in the case of Guaranteed Notes) the Guarantor; and
- (c) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to any Notes in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

## Japan

The notes have not been and will not be registered under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law of Japan (Law No. 25 of 1948, as amended, the "FIEL") and each Dealer has represented and agreed, and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell any Notes, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, any resident of Japan (which term as used herein means any person resident in Japan, including any corporation or other entity organised under the laws of Japan), or to others for re-offering or resale, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, a resident of Japan, except pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of, and otherwise in compliance with, the FIEL and any other applicable laws, regulations and ministerial guidelines of Japan.

# France

Each of the Dealers and the Issuer has represented and agreed that it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell, directly or indirectly, Notes to the public in France, and it has not distributed or caused to be distributed and will not distribute or cause to be distributed to the public in France, the Offering Circular, the relevant Final Terms or any other offering material relating to the Notes and such offers, sales and distributions have been and will be made in France only to (a) providers of investment services relating to portfolio management for the account of third parties, and/or (b) qualified investors (*investisseurs qualifiés*) other than individuals, all as defined in, and in accordance with, articles L.411-1, L.411-2 and D.411-1 to D.411-3 of the French *Code monétaire et financier*.

## The Netherlands

Each Dealer has represented and agreed that any Notes with a maturity of less than 12 months and a denomination of less than  $\[ \le \]$ 50,000 will only be offered in The Netherlands to professional market parties as defined in the Financial Supervision Act and the decrees issued pursuant thereto.

Zero coupon Notes in definitive bearer form and other Notes in definitive bearer form on which interest does not become due and payable during their term but only at maturity (savings certificates or *spaarbewijzen* as defined in the Dutch Savings Certificates Act or *Wet inzake spaarbewijzen*; the "SCA") may only be transferred and accepted,

directly or indirectly, within, from or into the Netherlands through the mediation of either the Issuer or a member of Euronext Amsterdam N.V. with due observance of the provisions of the SCA and its implementing regulations (which include registration requirements). No such mediation is required, however, in respect of (i) the initial issue of such Notes to the first holders thereof, (ii) the transfer and acceptance by individuals who do not act in the conduct of a profession or business, and (iii) the issue and trading of such Notes if they are physically issued outside the Netherlands and are not immediately thereafter distributed in the Netherlands.

#### General

Each Dealer has agreed and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to agree that it will (to the best of its knowledge and belief having made all reasonable enquiries) comply with all applicable securities laws and regulations in force in any jurisdiction in which it purchases, offers, sells or delivers Notes or possesses or distributes this Offering Circular and will obtain any consent, approval or permission required by it for the purchase, offer, sale or delivery by it of Notes under the laws and regulations in force in any jurisdiction to which it is subject or in which it makes such purchases, offers, sales or deliveries and neither the Issuers, the Guarantor, the Trustee nor any of the other Dealers shall have any responsibility therefor. Each of the Dealers has agreed to ensure that (to the best of its knowledge and belief having made all reasonable enquiries) no obligations are or will be imposed on any of the Issuers or the Guarantor (in the case of Guaranteed Notes) in any such jurisdiction as a result of the foregoing actions.

None of the Issuers, the Guarantor, the Trustee and the Dealers represents that Notes may at any time lawfully be sold in compliance with any applicable registration or other requirements in any jurisdiction, or pursuant to any exemption available thereunder, or assumes any responsibility for facilitating such sale.

With regard to each Tranche, the relevant Dealer will be required to comply with such other restrictions agreed between the relevant Issuer (if applicable), the Guarantor and the relevant Dealer as set out in the applicable Final Terms.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### 1. Authorisation

The update of the Programme and the issue of Notes (and, in the case of the Guarantor, the giving of the Guarantee) have been duly authorised by resolutions of the Board of Directors of Anglo American plc dated 17 February 2009 and of the Board of Directors of Anglo American Capital plc dated 17 February 2009.

#### 2. Listing of Notes

The admission of Notes issued under the Programme to the Official List and to trading on the London Stock Exchange's regulated market is expected to take effect on or about 23 March 2009. The listing of each Series of Notes on the Official List will be expressed as a percentage of their nominal amount (excluding accrued interest). It is expected that any Tranche of Notes which is to be admitted to the Official List and to trading on the London Stock Exchange's regulated market will be so admitted to listing and trading upon submission to the UK Listing Authority of the applicable Final Terms and subject only to the issue of a Global Note or Notes initially representing the Notes of such Tranche. The listing of the Programme in respect of the Notes is expected to be granted on or before 23 March 2009.

#### 3. Documents Available

For the period of 12 months following the date of this Offering Circular copies of the following documents (where relevant to that issuer) will, when published, be available for inspection from the registered office of each Issuer and from the specified offices of the Paying Agents for the time being in London:

- (i) the Memorandum and Articles of Association of Anglo American plc and Anglo American Capital plc;
- the audited non-consolidated annual financial statements in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2007 and 2008 in each case together with the audit reports prepared in connection therewith of Anglo American Capital plc;
- (iii) the audited consolidated annual financial statements in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2007 and 2008 in each case together with the audit reports prepared in connection therewith and the most recent interim consolidated financial statements (if any) of Anglo American plc;
- (iv) the Programme Agreement, the Trust Deed, the Agency Agreement and the forms of the Global Notes, the Notes in definitive form, the Receipts, the Coupons and the Talons;
- (v) a copy of this Offering Circular; and
- (vi) any future offering circulars, prospectuses, information memoranda and supplements including Final Terms (save that a Final Terms relating to a Note which is neither admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area nor offered in the European Economic Area in circumstances where a prospectus is required to be published under the Prospectus Directive will only be available for inspection by a holder of such Note and such holder must produce evidence satisfactory to the relevant Issuer and the Paying Agent as to its holding of Notes and identity) to this Offering Circular and any other documents incorporated herein or therein by reference.

# 4. Clearing Systems

The Notes have been accepted for clearance through Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (which are the entities in charge of keeping the records). The appropriate Common Code and ISIN for each Tranche of Notes allocated by Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Notes are to clear through an additional or alternative clearing system the appropriate information will be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

The address of Euroclear is Euroclear Bank SA/NV, 1 Boulevard du Roi Albert II, B-1210 Brusssels and the address of Clearstream, Luxembourg is Clearstream Banking, 42 Avenue JF Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg.

# 5. Conditions for determining price

The price and amount of Notes to be issued under the Programme will be determined by the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer at the time of issue in accordance with prevailing market conditions.

## 6. Significant or Material Change

There has been no significant change in the financial or trading position of the Issuers or the Group since 31 December 2008 being the date of the last published financial statements and there has been no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of Anglo American and Anglo American Capital since 31 December 2008.

## 7. Litigation

Save as disclosed in "Description of Anglo American plc and the Anglo American Group — Litigation", neither the Issuers nor the Guarantor nor any member of the Group is or has been involved in any governmental, legal or arbitration proceedings (including any proceedings which are pending or threatened of which either Issuer or the Guarantor is aware) in the 12 months preceding the date of this document which may have or have had a significant effect on the financial position or profitability of either of the Issuers or the Guarantor or their respective groups.

#### 8. Auditors

The auditors of Anglo American and Anglo American Capital are Deloitte & Touche, who have audited Anglo American plc's accounts, without qualification, in accordance with IFRS for each of the two financial years ended on 31 December 2008 and who have audited Anglo American Capital plc's accounts, without qualification, in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in the United Kingdom for each of the two financial years ended on 31 December 2008. The auditors of the issuers have no material interest in Anglo American and Anglo American Capital.

#### 9. Post-issuance information

Save as set out in the Final Terms, Anglo American and Anglo American Capital do not intend to provide any post issuance information in relation to any issues of Notes.

## 10. Dealers transacting with the Issuer

Certain of the Dealers and their affiliates have engaged, and may in the future engage, in investment banking and/or commercial banking transactions with, and may perform services to each of the Issuers, the Guarantor and their affiliates in the ordinary course of business.

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