

(incorporated in England with limited liability, registered number 2468686)

# £5,000,000,000 Euro Note Programme

Under the Euro Note Programme described in this Prospectus (the "Programme"), Aviva plc (the "Issuer"), subject to compliance with all relevant laws, regulations and directives, may from time to time issue notes (the "Notes"). The Notes may be issued as dated unsubordinated notes ("Senior Notes"), as dated subordinated notes with terms capable of qualifying as Lower Tier 2 Capital (as defined herein) ("Dated Tier 2 Notes"), as undated notes ranking junior to the Dated Tier 2 Notes and with terms capable of qualifying as Upper Tier 2 Capital (as defined herein) ("Undated Tier 2 Notes" and, together with the Dated Tier 2 Notes, the "Tier 2 Notes") or as undated subordinated obligations, ranking junior to the Tier 2 Notes and with terms capable of qualifying as Tier 1 Capital (as defined herein) ("Tier 1 Notes"). Senior Notes (but not other Notes) will be guaranteed by Aviva International Insurance Limited (the "Guarantor"). The aggregate nominal amount of Notes outstanding will not at any time exceed £5,000,000,000 (or the equivalent in other currencies).

This Prospectus (excluding documents incorporated in, and forming part of, this prospectus by virtue of paragraph 6 under "Documents Incorporated by Reference" herein) has been approved by the United Kingdom Financial Services Authority (the "FSA"), which is the United Kingdom competent authority (in such capacity, the "UK Listing Authority"), for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC (the "Prospectus Directive") and relevant implementing measures in the United Kingdom as a base prospectus (the "Base Prospectus") for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive and provides information with regard to the Issuer and its subsidiaries (each a "Subsidiary" and together with the Issuer, the "Group") and, in the case of Senior Notes only, with regard to the Guarantor which, according to the particular nature of the Issuer, the Notes and, as appropriate, the Guarantor, is necessary to enable investors to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, profits and losses and prospects of the Issuer and, as appropriate, the Guarantor.

Applications have been made to the UK Listing Authority for Notes issued under the Programme for the period of 12 months from the date of this Prospectus 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 EEA Regulated Market (the "Market"). The Market is a regulated market for the purposes of European Council Directive 2004/39/EC (the "Markets in Financial Instruments Directive"). References in this Prospectus to Notes being "listed" (and all related references) shall mean that such Notes have been admitted to trading on the Market (or any other stock exchange) and have been admitted to the Official List. The relevant Final Terms (as defined herein) in respect of the issue of any Notes will specify whether or not such Notes will be listed on the Official List and admitted to trading on the Market (or any other stock exchange).

Each Series (as defined herein) of Notes in bearer form will be represented on issue by a temporary global note in bearer form (each a "temporary Global Note") or a permanent global note in bearer form (each a "permanent Global Note" and, together with a temporary Global Note, a "Global Note"). Notes in registered form will be represented by registered certificates (each a "Certificate"), one Certificate being issued in respect of each Noteholder's (as defined herein) entire holding of Registered Notes (as defined herein) of one Series (as defined herein). In the case of Senior Notes, if the relevant Global Note is stated in the applicable Final Terms to be issued in New Global Note ("NGN") form, it is intended to be eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy and the Global Notes will be delivered on or prior to the original issue date of the relevant Tranche to a common safekeeper (the "Common Safekeeper") for Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. ("Euroclear") and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("Clearstream, Luxembourg"). Global Notes which are not issued in NGN form ("Classic Global Notes" or "CGNs") and Certificates will be deposited on the issue date of the relevant Tranche with a common depositary on behalf of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (the "Common Depositary"). The provisions governing the exchange of interests in Global Notes for other Global Notes and definitive Notes are described in "Summary of Provisions Relating to the Notes while in Global Form".

In the case of any Notes which are to be admitted to trading on a regulated market within the European Economic Area (the "EEA") or offered to the public in a Member State of the EEA in circumstances which require the publication of a prospectus under the Prospectus Directive, the minimum denomination shall be €50,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency as at the date of issue of the Notes).

Prospective investors should have regard to the section headed "Risk Factors" on page 13 of this Prospectus for a discussion of factors which may affect each of the Issuer's and, in the case of Senior Notes, the Guarantor's ability to fulfil its obligations in respect of Notes issued under the Programme and factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with the Notes issued under the Programme.

The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or with any Securities Regulatory Authority of any State or other Jurisdiction of the United States, and the Notes may include bearer notes that are subject to U.S. tax law requirements. Subject to certain exceptions, the Notes may not be offered or sold or, in the case of bearer notes, delivered, within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons (as defined in the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and regulations thereunder).

Interests in a Temporary Global Note will be exchangeable, in whole or in part, for interests in a Global Note on or after the date 40 days after the later of the commencement of the offering and the relevant issue date (the "Exchange Date"), upon certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership.

Arranger Citi

Dealers

Barclays Capital
Deutsche Bank
HSBC
Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking

Citi Goldman Sachs International Morgan Stanley The Royal Bank of Scotland The Issuer and the Guarantor accept responsibility for the information contained in this Prospectus. To the best of the knowledge of the Issuer and the Guarantor (having taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information contained in this Prospectus is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

This Prospectus 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 Prospectus 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, the Guarantor 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, the Guarantor or any Dealer to publish or supplement a prospectus for such offer.

This Prospectus is to be read in conjunction with all documents which are deemed to be incorporated herein by reference (see "Documents Incorporated by Reference" below).

No person has been authorised to give any information or to make any representation other than those contained in this Prospectus in connection with the issue or sale of the Notes and, if given or made, such information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Issuer, the Guarantor or any of the Dealers or the Arranger (each as defined in "Overview of the Programme"). Neither the delivery of this Prospectus nor the offering, sale or delivery of any Notes made in connection herewith shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Issuer or the Guarantor since the date hereof or the date upon which this Prospectus has been most recently amended or supplemented, or that there has been no adverse change in the financial position of the Issuer or the Guarantor since the date hereof or the date upon which this Prospectus has been most recently amended or supplemented, or that any other information supplied in connection with the Programme is correct as of any time subsequent to the date on which it is supplied or, if different, the date indicated in the document containing the same.

The distribution of this Prospectus and the offering or sale of the Notes in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Prospectus comes are required by the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Dealers and the Arranger to inform themselves about and to observe any such restriction. The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and include Notes in bearer form that 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 U.S. persons. For a description of certain restrictions on offers and sales of Notes and on distribution of this Prospectus, see "Subscription and Sale".

This Prospectus does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of the Issuer, the Guarantor, or the Dealers to subscribe for, or purchase, any Notes.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, none of the Dealers or the Arranger accept any responsibility for the contents of this Prospectus or for any other statement, made or purported to be made by the Arranger or a Dealer or on its behalf in connection with the Issuer, the Guarantor, or the issue and offering of the Notes. The Arranger and each Dealer accordingly disclaims all and any liability to any investor whether arising in tort of contract or otherwise (save as referred to above) which it might otherwise have in respect of this Prospectus or any such statement. Neither this Prospectus nor any other information supplied in connection with the Programme or the Notes is intended to provide the basis of any credit or other evaluation and should not be considered as a recommendation by any of the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Arranger or the Dealers that any recipient of this Prospectus or any other information supplied in connection with the Programme or the Notes should purchase the Notes. Each potential purchaser of Notes should determine for itself the relevance of the information contained in this Prospectus or any other information supplied in connection with the Programme or the Notes and its purchase of Notes should be based upon such investigation as it deems necessary. None of the Dealers or the Arranger undertakes to review the financial condition or affairs of the Issuer or the Guarantor during the life of the arrangements contemplated by this Prospectus nor to advise any investor or potential investor in the Notes of any information coming to the attention of any of the Dealers or the Arranger.

In connection with the issue of any Tranche (as defined in "Overview of the Programme – Method of Issue"), the Dealer or Dealers (if any) named as the stabilising manager(s) (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 of the Series of which such Tranche

forms part 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 final 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 person(s) acting on behalf of any Stabilising Manager(s)) in accordance with all applicable laws and rules.

In this Prospectus, unless otherwise specified or the context otherwise requires, all references to "pounds sterling", "sterling" and "£" are to the currency of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the "United Kingdom" or "UK") and all references to "€" and "euro" are to the single currency which was introduced at the start of the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union, pursuant to the Treaty establishing the European Community (as amended from time to time).

## DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

This Prospectus should be read and construed in conjunction with the following documents which have been previously published or are published simultaneously with this Prospectus and which have been approved by the FSA or filed with it:

- (1) the audited consolidated financial statements of the Issuer for the year ended 31 December 2006 (together with the audit report prepared in connection therewith), which appear on pages 101 to 210 of the Issuer's Annual Report and Accounts for year ended 31 December 2006;
- (2) the audited consolidated financial statements of the Issuer for the year ended 31 December 2007 (together with the audit report prepared in connection therewith), which appear on pages 111 to 235 of the Issuer's Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2007;
- (3) the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of the Issuer for the six-month period ended 30 June 2008, which appear on pages 34 to 71 of the Interim Report of the Issuer for the six-month period ended 30 June 2008;
- (4) the audited non-consolidated financial statements of the Guarantor for the year ended 31 December 2006 (together with the audit report prepared in connection therewith), which appear on pages 4 and 11 to 36 of the Guarantor's Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2006;
- (5) the audited non-consolidated financial statements of the Guarantor for the year ended 31 December 2007 (together with the audit report prepared in connection therewith), which appear on pages 5 to 43 of the Guarantor's Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2007;
- (6) the Terms and Conditions of the Dated Tier 2 Notes contained in the Prospectus dated 23 November 2006 and the Terms and Conditions of the Dated Tier 2 Notes contained in the Prospectus dated 27 November 2007;
- (7) the Issuer's RNS (No 5785D) dated 16 September 2008; and
- (8) the Issuer's RNS (No 6465D) dated 17 September 2008.

Such documents shall be deemed to be incorporated in, and form part of, this Prospectus and the Base Prospectus set out in this Prospectus and approved by the FSA for the purpose of the Prospectus Directive, save that any statement contained in a document which is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purpose of this Prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein modifies or supersedes such earlier statement (whether expressly, by implication or otherwise). Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Prospectus.

In addition, the following documents published or issued from time to time after the date hereof shall be deemed to be incorporated in, and form part of, this Prospectus provided that such documents shall not form part of the Base Prospectus approved by the FSA for the purpose of the Prospectus Directive:

(9) the most recently published Annual Report and Accounts containing audited consolidated and non-consolidated annual financial statements and, if published later, the most recently published interim consolidated financial statements containing interim consolidated and non-consolidated financial statements (if any) of the Issuer,

save that any statement contained herein or in a document which is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purpose of this Prospectus to the extent that a subsequent statement which is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein or contained herein modifies or supersedes such earlier statement (whether expressly, by implication or otherwise) provided, however, that such statement shall only form part of the Prospectus to the extent that it is contained in a document all or the relevant portion of which is incorporated by reference by way of a supplement prepared in accordance with Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive. Any statement so modified or superseded constitutes or shall constitute part of this Prospectus.

Copies of documents deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Prospectus may be obtained from the registered office of the Issuer and from each of the Paying Agents.

# SUPPLEMENTAL PROSPECTUS

If at any time the Issuer shall be required to prepare a supplemental prospectus pursuant to Section 87G of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "FSMA"), the Issuer will prepare and make available an appropriate amendment or supplement to this Prospectus or a further prospectus which, in respect of any subsequent issue of Notes to be listed on the Official List and admitted to trading on the Market, shall constitute a supplemental prospectus as required by the UK Listing Authority and Section 87G of the FSMA.

Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor has given an undertaking to the Dealers in the Dealer Agreement (as defined in "Subscription and Sale" herein) that it will comply with Section 87 of the FSMA and, if required by law, the Issuer shall prepare an amendment or supplement to this Prospectus or publish a replacement Prospectus for use in connection with any subsequent offering of the Notes and shall supply to each Dealer such number of copies of such supplement hereto as such Dealer may reasonably request.

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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 Prospectus and, in relation to the terms and conditions of any particular Tranche of Notes, the applicable Final Terms. Words and expressions defined in "Terms and Conditions of the Senior Notes", "Terms and Conditions of the Dated Tier 2 Notes", "Terms and Conditions of the Undated Tier 2 Notes" or "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes" below shall, as appropriate, have the same meanings in this overview.

**Issuer:** Aviva plc.

**Guarantor of the Senior Notes:** Aviva International Insurance Limited will guarantee Senior Notes. Tier 2

Notes and Tier 1 Notes will not be guaranteed.

**Description:** Euro Note Programme.

Size: Up to £5,000,000,000 (or the equivalent in other currencies at the date of

issue) aggregate nominal amount of Notes outstanding at any one time.

**Arranger:** Citigroup Global Markets Limited.

Dealers: Barclays Bank PLC

Citigroup Global Markets Limited Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch Goldman Sachs International

HSBC Bank plc

Morgan Stanley & Co. International plc

Société Générale

The Royal Bank of Scotland plc

The Issuer may from time to time terminate the appointment of any dealer under the Programme or appoint additional dealers either in respect of one or more Tranches or in respect of the whole Programme. References in this Prospectus to "Permanent Dealers" are to the persons listed above as Dealers and to such additional persons that are appointed as dealers in respect of the whole Programme (and whose appointment has not been terminated) and references to "Dealers" are to all Permanent Dealers and all persons appointed as a dealer in respect of one or more Tranches.

**Trustee:** The Law Debenture Trust Corporation p.l.c.

**Issuing and Paying Agent:** HSBC Bank plc

**Method of Issue:** The Notes will be issued on a syndicated or non-syndicated basis. The

Notes will be issued in series (each a "Series") having one or more issue dates and on terms otherwise identical (or identical other than in respect of the first payment of interest), the Notes of each Series being intended to be interchangeable with all other Notes of that Series. Each Series may be issued in tranches (each a "Tranche") on the same or different issue dates. The specific terms of each Tranche (which will be completed, where necessary, with supplemental terms and conditions and, save in respect of the issue date, issue price, first payment of interest and nominal amount of the Tranche, will be identical to the terms of other Tranches of the same Series) will be completed in the applicable final terms document (the

"Final Terms").

**Issue Price:** Notes may be issued at their nominal amount or at a discount or premium

to their nominal amount.

**Form of Notes:** The Notes may be issued in bearer form ("Bearer Notes") or in registered

form ("Registered Notes"). Each Tranche of Bearer Notes will be represented on issue by a temporary Global Note if (i) definitive Notes are to be made available to Noteholders following the expiry of 40 days after their issue date or (ii) such Notes have an initial maturity of more than one year and are being issued in compliance with the D Rules (as defined in "Overview of the Programme – Selling Restrictions"),

otherwise such Tranche will be represented by a permanent Global Note. Registered Notes will be represented by Certificates, one Certificate being issued in respect of each Noteholder's entire holding of Registered Notes of one Series. Certificates representing Registered Notes that are registered in the name of a nominee for one or more clearing systems are referred to as "Global Certificates".

Clearstream, Luxembourg, Euroclear and, in relation to any Tranche, such other clearing system as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer.

On or before the issue date for each Tranche of Senior Notes, if the relevant Global Note represents Bearer Notes and is intended to be recognised as eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy and intra-day credit operations, the relevant Global Note will be delivered to a Common Safekeeper for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, On or before the issue date for each Tranche of Tier 1 Notes or Tier 2 Notes or Senior Notes (if the relevant Global Note is not intended to be recognised as eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy and intra-day credit operations), the relevant Global Note representing Bearer Notes or the Certificate representing Registered Notes may be deposited with a common depositary for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg. Global Notes or Certificates may also be deposited with any other clearing system or may be delivered outside any clearing system provided that the method of such delivery has been agreed in advance by the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer. Registered Notes that are to be credited to one or more clearing systems on issue will be registered in the name of nominees or a common nominee for such clearing systems.

Subject to compliance with all relevant laws, regulations, and directives, Notes may be issued in any currency agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealers.

Subject to compliance with all relevant laws, regulations, directives, and requirements of the FSA, Dated Tier 2 Notes may have any maturity. Undated Tier 2 Notes and Tier 1 Notes will be perpetual and will not have a stated maturity. Subject to compliance with all relevant laws, regulations and directives, Senior Notes may be issued with any maturity between one month and 30 years.

Definitive Notes will be in such denominations as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms, save that in the case of any Notes which are to be admitted to trading on a regulated market within the EEA or offered to the public in a Member State of the EEA in circumstances which require the publication of a prospectus under the Prospectus Directive, the minimum denomination shall be  $\mathfrak{C}50,000$  (or its equivalent in any other currency as at the date of issue of the Notes).

Fixed interest will be payable in arrear on the date or dates in each year specified in the relevant Final Terms.

Floating Rate Notes will bear interest determined separately for each Series as follows:

- (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.; or
- (ii) by reference to LIBOR or EURIBOR (or such other benchmark as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms) as adjusted for any applicable margin.

**Clearing Systems:** 

**Initial Delivery of Notes:** 

**Currencies:** 

**Maturities:** 

**Specified Denomination:** 

**Fixed Rate Notes:** 

**Floating Rate Notes:** 

Interest periods will be specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**Zero Coupon Notes – Senior Notes only:** 

Zero Coupon Notes (as defined in "Terms and Conditions of the Senior Notes") may be issued at their nominal amount or at a discount to it and will not bear interest.

**Dual Currency Notes – Senior Notes only:** 

Payments (whether in respect of principal or interest and whether at maturity or otherwise) in respect of Dual Currency Notes (as defined in "Terms and Conditions of the Senior Notes") will be made in such currencies, and based on such rates of exchange as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**Index Linked Notes – Senior Notes only:** 

Payments of principal in respect of Index Linked Redemption Notes (as defined in "Terms and Conditions of the Senior Notes") or of interest in respect of Index Linked Interest Notes (as defined in "Terms and Conditions of the Senior Notes") will be calculated by reference to such index and/or formula as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**Interest Periods and Interest Rates:** 

The length of the interest periods for the Notes and the applicable interest rate or its method of calculation may differ from time to time or be constant for any Series. Notes may have a maximum interest rate, a minimum interest rate, or both. All such information will be set out in the relevant Final Terms.

**Redemption:** 

The relevant Final Terms will specify the basis for calculating the redemption amounts payable. Unless permitted by then current laws and regulations, 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). Redemption of Dated Tier 2 Notes prior to their stated maturity is subject to prior written notice to, and the absence of objection from, the FSA as more fully described in "Terms and Conditions of the Dated Tier 2 Notes – Redemption, Substitution, Variation, Purchase and Options". Undated Tier 2 Notes and Tier 1 Notes have no Final Maturity Date and are only redeemable or repayable in accordance with "Terms and Conditions of the Undated Tier 2 Notes – Redemption, Substitution, Variation, Purchase and Options" and "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes – Redemption, Substitution, Variation, Purchase and Options", respectively.

Replacement Capital Covenant – Tier 1 Notes only:

The relevant Final Terms of any Series of Tier 1 Notes will specify if the Issuer intends to enter into a replacement capital covenant for the benefit of one or more designated series of the Issuer's debt securities. It is anticipated that the terms of any such replacement capital covenant will provide that the Issuer will not redeem or repurchase any of the relevant Tier 1 Notes and will not permit any subsidiary to purchase any of the relevant Tier 1 Notes, unless and to the extent the aggregate redemption, repurchase or purchase price is equal to or less than the net proceeds (or in certain circumstances a specified percentage of such net proceeds) received by the Issuer or its Subsidiaries during the six months prior to such redemption, repurchase or purchase date, from new issuances of qualifying securities and that the covenant will terminate on the redemption of such Tier 1 Notes if not terminated earlier in accordance with its terms. Any such replacement capital covenant will continue to be effective following any substitution or variation of the Tier 1 Notes in accordance with their terms.

Redemption by Instalments – Senior Notes only:

The relevant Final Terms issued in respect of each issue of Senior Notes that are redeemable in two or more instalments will set out the dates on which, and the amounts in which, such Senior Notes may be redeemed.

**Other Notes:** 

Terms applicable to high interest Notes, low interest Notes, step-up Notes, step-down Notes and any other type of Note that the Issuer, the

Trustee and any Dealer or Dealers may agree to issue under the Programme will be set out in the relevant Final Terms or a Supplemental Prospectus, as appropriate.

**Optional Redemption:** 

The Final Terms issued in respect of each issue of Notes will state whether such Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer and/or (in the case of Senior Notes only) the holders (either in whole or in part), and if so the terms applicable to such redemption. No Tier 1 Notes or Tier 2 Notes may be redeemed at the option of the holders of such Notes.

**Status of Senior Notes:** 

The Senior Notes and the guarantee in respect of them constitute direct, unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and the Guarantor, respectively.

**Status of Dated Tier 2 Notes:** 

The Dated Tier 2 Notes constitute direct, unsecured and subordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* and without any preference among themselves. In the event of the winding-up or administration of the Issuer, the payment obligations of the Issuer under the Dated Tier 2 Notes shall be subordinated to the claims of all Senior Creditors (as defined in the "Terms and Conditions of the Dated Tier 2 Notes") of the Issuer. Dated Tier 2 Notes rank ahead of Undated Tier 2 Notes.

Status of Undated Tier 2 Notes:

The Undated Tier 2 Notes constitute direct, unsecured and subordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* and without any preference among themselves. In the event of the winding-up or administration of the Issuer, the payment obligations of the Issuer under the Notes shall be subordinated to the claims of all Senior Creditors (as defined in the "Terms and Conditions of the Undated Tier 2 Notes") of the Issuer but shall rank at least *pari passu* with all other obligations of the Issuer which constitute Upper Tier 2 Capital and in priority to those whose claims constitute Tier 1 Capital and to the claims of holders of all classes of share capital of the Issuer.

Except as provided in Condition 3(b) of the Undated Tier 2 Notes, all payments in respect of the Undated Tier 2 Notes shall be conditional upon the Issuer being solvent as contemplated by the "Terms and Conditions of the Undated Tier 2 Notes – Status" at the time for payment by the Issuer, and no amount shall be payable in respect of the Undated Tier 2 Notes unless and until such time as the Issuer could make such payment and still be solvent immediately thereafter.

**Status of Tier 1 Notes:** 

The Tier 1 Notes constitute direct, unsecured and subordinated securities of the Issuer and rank, and will rank, *pari passu* without any preference among themselves. The rights and claims of the holders of Tier 1 Notes and related Coupons are subordinated to the claims of all Senior Creditors (as defined in the "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes") of the Issuer as more fully set out under "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes – Status").

Except as provided in Condition 3(c) of the Tier 1 Notes, all payments in respect of the Tier 1 Notes shall be conditional upon the Issuer being solvent as contemplated by the "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes – Status" at the time for payment by the Issuer, and no amount shall be payable in respect of the Tier 1 Notes unless and until such time as the Issuer could make such payment and still be solvent immediately thereafter.

**Interest Deferral – Dated Tier 2 Notes:** 

There are no interest deferral provisions with respect to those Dated Tier 2 Notes which are Option A Notes.

The Issuer may on any Optional Interest Payment Date defer payments of

interest on those Dated Tier 2 Notes which are Option B Notes which would otherwise be payable on such date.

Interest Deferral – Undated Tier 2 Notes:

The Issuer may elect to defer any payment of interest on those Undated Tier 2 Notes which are Option A Notes which would otherwise be payable on any Interest Payment Date.

The Issuer may, on any Discretionary Interest Payment Date, defer payment of interest on those Undated Tier 2 Notes which are Option B Notes which would otherwise be payable on such date.

**Interest Deferral – Tier 1 Notes:** 

The Issuer may elect to defer any payment of interest on those Tier 1 Notes which are Option A Notes which would otherwise be payable on an Interest Payment Date.

The Issuer may, on any Discretionary Interest Payment Date, defer any Interest Payment on those Tier 1 Notes which are Option B Notes which would otherwise be payable on such date.

**Negative Pledge – Senior Notes only:** 

Applicable to Senior Notes only. See "Terms and Conditions of the Senior Notes – Negative Pledge".

Early Redemption, Variation or Substitution for Taxation Reasons and Capital Disqualification Event: The Tier 1 Notes and the Tier 2 Notes may, subject as provided in Condition 6 of the relative Terms and Conditions, be redeemed at their Optional Redemption Amount together with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption and any Outstanding Payments/ Arrears of Interest at the option of the Issuer on any Optional Redemption Date. In addition, upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or a Capital Disqualification Event the Tier 1 Notes and the Tier 2 Notes may be (i) substituted for, or their terms varied so that they become, Qualifying Tier 1 Securities, Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities or Qualifying Lower Tier 2 Securities, whichever is relevant; or (ii) redeemed in the case of (x) a Tax Event, at their outstanding principal amount or (y) a Capital Disqualification Event, at the Capital Disqualification Redemption Price, together in each case with any Outstanding Payments/Arrears of Interest, all as more particularly described in "Terms and Conditions of the Dated Tier 2 Notes/Undated Tier 2 Notes/Tier 1 Notes - Redemption, Substitution, Variation, Purchase and Options".

The Senior Notes may, subject as provided in Condition 6(c) of the Terms and Conditions of the Senior Notes, be redeemed at their Early Redemption Amount together with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption at the option of the Issuer if the Issuer or Guarantor becomes obliged to pay additional amounts in respect of withholding tax.

**Substitution Event – Tier 1 Notes only:** 

Upon the occurrence and continuation of a Substitution Event, the Issuer may, subject as provided in Condition 6 of the Tier 1 Notes, substitute the Tier 1 Notes by Substituted Preference Shares, all as more particularly described in "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes – Redemption, Substitution, Variation, Purchase and Options – (i) Substitution for Substituted Preference Shares".

Withholding Tax:

All payments of principal and interest in respect of the Notes will be made free and clear of withholding taxes of the United Kingdom unless required by law, in which case, subject to customary exceptions (including the standard exceptions recommended by the International Capital Market Association), such additional amounts will also be paid as shall result in receipt by the Noteholders and Couponholders of such amounts as would have been received by them had no withholding or

deduction been required – see Terms and Conditions of the Senior Notes, Dated Tier 2 Notes, Undated Tier 2 Notes and the Tier 1 Notes.

**Governing Law:** 

English.

Listing:

Applications have been made to list Notes issued under the Programme for the period of 12 months from the date of this Prospectus on the Official List and to admit them to trading on the Market or as otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms. If specified in the relevant Final Terms, a Series of Notes may be unlisted.

**Ratings:** 

Tranches of Senior Notes, Dated Tier 2 Notes, Undated Tier 2 Notes and Tier 1 Notes may be rated or unrated. As at the date of this Prospectus, Standard & Poor's has assigned a rating of A+ to the Senior Notes, of A to the Dated Tier 2 Notes which are Option A Notes, of A- to the Dated Tier 2 Notes which are Option B Notes, of A—to the Undated Tier 2 Notes which are Option A Notes, of A – to the Undated Tier 2 Notes which are Option B Notes, of A – to the Tier 1 Notes which are Option A Notes and of A- to the Tier 1 Notes which are Option B Notes. In addition, Moody's has assigned a rating of A1 to the Senior Notes, of A3 to the Dated Tier 2 Notes which are Option A Notes, of A3 to the Dated Tier 2 Notes which are Option B Notes, of A3 to the Undated Tier 2 Notes which are Option A Notes, of A3 to the Undated Tier 2 Notes which are Option B Notes, of Baa1 to the Tier 1 Notes which are Option A Notes and of Baa1 to the Tier 1 Notes which are Option B Notes. However, the ratings assigned by any ratings agency may change from time to time. Any rating applicable to any Tranche of Notes issued will be specified in the relevant 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.

**Selling Restrictions:** 

United States, EEA, United Kingdom. See "Subscription and Sale".

The Issuer is Category 2 for the purposes of Regulation S under the Securities Act.

The Notes will be issued in compliance with U.S. Treasury Regulation  $\S1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(D)$  (the "D Rules") unless (i) the relevant Final Terms states that Notes are issued in compliance with U.S. Treasury Regulation  $\S1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(C)$  (the "C Rules") or (ii) the Notes are issued other than in compliance with the D Rules or the C Rules but in circumstances in which the Notes will not constitute "registration required obligations" under the United States Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 ("TEFRA"), which circumstances will be referred to in the relevant Final Terms as a transaction to which TEFRA is not applicable.

# RISK FACTORS

The Issuer and the Guarantor believe that the following factors may affect their ability to fulfil their obligations (as appropriate) under Notes issued under the Programme. All of these factors are contingencies which may or may not occur and neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor is in a position to express a view on the likelihood of any such contingency occurring.

Factors which the Issuer and the Guarantor believe may be material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Notes issued under the Programme are also described below.

The Issuer and the Guarantor believe that the factors described below represent the material risks inherent in investing in Notes issued under the Programme, but the Issuer and the Guarantor may be unable to pay interest, principal or other amounts on or in connection with any Notes for other reasons and the Issuer and the Guarantor do not represent that the statements below regarding the risks of holding any Notes are exhaustive. Prospective investors should also read the detailed information set out elsewhere in this Prospectus (including any documents deemed to be incorporated by reference herein) and reach their own views prior to making any investment decision. Additional risk factors that relate to the Guarantor only are set out under the heading "Guarantor Company".

# Factors that may affect the Issuer's and Guarantor's ability to fulfil their obligations (as appropriate) under Notes issued under the Programme

# **Insurance Risks**

# Actuarial assumptions

The management of the life insurance business within the Group requires the life insurance companies to make a number of assumptions in relation to the business written, including with regard to the mortality and morbidity rates of its customers, the development of interest rates, persistency rates (being the rates at which customers terminate existing policies prior to their maturity dates) and future levels of expenses. These assumptions may turn out to be incorrect.

The life insurance companies within the Group allow for changes in the assumptions made, monitor their experience against the actuarial assumptions used and use the information gathered to refine their long term assumptions, together with taking actual claims experience into account when establishing their liabilities. However it is not possible to determine precisely the amounts in total which it will ultimately be necessary to pay to meet liabilities under the policies written by the business. Amounts may vary from estimates, particularly in light of the long term nature of the life insurance business. Changes in assumptions may also lead to changes in the level of capital required to be maintained. If the assumptions underlying the reserving basis were to prove incorrect, and/or actual claims experience were to be less favourable than the underlying assumptions, if it were to be necessary to increase provisions in anticipation of a higher rate of future claims, or if actual levels of future persistency were to be significantly lower than previously assumed (that is, if premature policy termination rates were to be significantly higher than expected), the Group might have to increase the amount of its reserves, which could have a material adverse impact on the Group's value, the results of its operation and/or financial condition and the ability of the Group to manage its businesses in an efficient manner.

Additionally, the management of the general insurance business within the Group requires the general insurance companies to make a number of assumptions in relation to the business written. These assumptions include the costs of writing the business and settling claims, and the frequency and severity of claims. The assumptions may turn out to be incorrect. In relation to certain key risks such as weather catastrophes (e.g. a UK flood or Northern European windstorm), if actual claims experience is less favourable than the underlying assumptions, this could have an adverse impact on the Group's profit, although such impact would be partially offset by reinsurance recoveries.

Furthermore, outstanding claims provisions for the general insurance business are based on the best-estimate ultimate cost of all claims incurred but not settled at a given date, both reported and incurred but not reported (IBNR), together with the direct costs incurred in settling each claim (e.g. legal fees). Any provisions for re-opened claims are also included. A range of methods, including stochastic projections, may be used to determine these provisions. Underlying these methods are a number of explicit or implicit assumptions relating to the expected settlement amount and settlement pattern of claims. If the assumptions underlying the reserving basis were to prove incorrect and/or actual claims experience were to be less favourable than the underlying assumptions, the Group might have to increase the amount of the general insurance provisions.

#### Product guarantees and benefits

As a normal part of their operating activities, various Group companies have given guarantees and options including interest rate guarantees, in respect of certain long-term insurance and fund management products.

In providing these guarantees and options, the Group's capital position is sensitive to fluctuations in financial variables including foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates, property values and equity prices. Interest rate guaranteed returns, such as those available on guaranteed annuity options (GAOs), are sensitive to interest rates falling below the guaranteed level. Other guarantees, such as maturity value guarantees and guarantees in relation to minimum rates of return, are sensitive to fluctuations in the investment return below the level assumed when the guarantee was made.

## Economic and Market Risks

#### Market fluctuations

The Group's businesses are subject to changes in general economic conditions such as fluctuations in financial markets, increases in inflation, and changes in investment returns which may alter the level of demand for the Group's products. Trends in international economic and investment climates which have previously adversely affected the Group's business and profitability could recur.

Adverse effects on the Group resulting from changes to market conditions could involve reduced returns on investments and an increase in credit defaults (in fixed interest corporate bonds or unsecured lending). Falls in investment returns could impair the Group's operational capability, including its ability to write significant volumes of new business.

There can be no assurance that a weakening in the economies in which the Group operates will not materially affect its financial condition and results of operations. Furthermore, weakness in the global capital markets due to credit, liquidity or other problems could increase its cost of funding.

The Group's businesses are exposed to fixed interest securities, equity securities and property returns via its constituent insurance portfolios. While the investment risk is often borne by or shared with policyholders, fluctuations in the fixed income and equity markets will directly or indirectly affect the Group's reported financial results, the value of the Group's insurance businesses and the capital requirements of the insurance businesses where substantial falls in the value of investment securities may cause additional shareholder capital to be required or restrict the ability of companies within the Group to distribute dividends.

Adverse general movements in the market and consequent reductions in the value of assets under management by the asset management companies within the Group may lead to reduced operating profit within the Group.

To the extent that the insurance companies within the Group are unable to match the liabilities under its policies to assets with similar sensitivity to interest rates as those policies, there may be fluctuations in the difference between assets and liabilities as interest rates change. Sustained interest rate fluctuations could therefore have a material adverse effect on the Group's business, results of operations and/or financial condition.

It may not be possible to hold assets which will provide cash flows to exactly match those relating to policyholder liabilities, in particular in jurisdictions with undeveloped bond markets and in certain markets where regulated surrender values or maturity values are set with reference to the interest rate environment prevailing at the time of policy issue. This is due to the duration and uncertainty of the liability cash flows and the lack of sufficient assets of a suitable duration. This results in a residual asset/liability mismatch risk which can be managed but not eliminated.

#### Currency risk

The Group operates internationally and as a result is exposed to foreign currency exchange risk arising from fluctuations in exchange rates of various currencies. Approximately half of the Group's premium income arises in currencies other than sterling and the Group's net assets are denominated in a variety of currencies, of which the largest are euro, sterling, and US dollars. The Group does not hedge foreign currency revenues as these are substantially retained locally to support the growth of the Group's business and meet local regulatory and market requirements.

The Group's foreign exchange policy requires that each of the Group's subsidiaries maintain sufficient assets in their local currencies to meet local currency liabilities. Therefore, capital held by the Group's business units should be able to support local business activities regardless of foreign currency movements. However, such movements

may impact the value of the Group's consolidated shareholders' equity which is expressed in sterling. This aspect of foreign exchange risk is monitored and managed centrally, against pre-determined limits. The Group's foreign exchange policy is to manage these exposures by aligning the deployment of capital by currency with the Group's regulatory capital requirements by currency. Limits are set to control the extent to which the deployment of capital is not aligned fully with the Group's capital requirement for each major currency. Currency borrowings and derivatives are used to manage exposures within the limits that have been set.

The Group has minimal exposure to currency risk from financial instruments held by Business Units in currencies other than their functional currencies, as nearly all such holdings are backing either unit-linked or with-profit contract liabilities. For this reason, no sensitivity analysis is given for these holdings.

## Credit rating

The financial strength and credit ratings of the Group are key factors underlying public confidence in the Group and its products. Downgrades to the Group's financial strength and credit ratings could have a significant adverse effect on its competitiveness, affecting its ability to market products and retain current policyholders. Relationships with creditors or trading counterparties could also be damaged. In addition, the interest rates which the Group pays on its borrowings are affected by its debt credit ratings, which are in place to measure the Group's ability to meet its contractual obligations.

## Competition

The Group's businesses are conducted in highly competitive environments and its continued profitability depends on management's ability to respond to these pressures.

There are many factors which affect the Group's ability to sell its products, including price and yields offered, financial strength and ratings, range of product lines and product quality, brand strength and name recognition, investment management performance and historical bonus levels. In some of its markets, the Group faces competitors that are larger, have greater financial resources or a greater market share, offer a broader range of products or have higher bonus rates or claims-paying ratios. Further, heightened competition for talented and skilled employees with local experience, particularly in the emerging, high growth markets, may limit the Group's potential to grow its business as quickly as planned.

Within the UK, the Group's principal competitors in the life market include many of the major financial services businesses including, in particular, Prudential, Legal & General, HBOS and Standard Life. The Group's principal competitors in the UK general insurance market include Royal Bank of Scotland Insurance, RSA, Zurich, Axa and Allianz. The Group believes that competition will intensify across all regions in response to consumer demand, technological advances, the impact of consolidation, regulatory actions and other factors. The Group's ability to generate an appropriate return depends significantly upon its capacity to anticipate and respond appropriately to these competitive pressures.

# Legal and Regulatory Risks

# Regulatory compliance

The Group's regulated business may be subject to legal and regulatory actions in the ordinary course of its business, both in the UK and internationally.

The Group's insurance, fund management and banking operations are exposed to regulatory risk, any inability to meet regulatory requirements at a local entity level would be likely to lead to regulatory intervention by local regulators.

In the UK, the Group's business is subject to regulation by the FSA, which has broad powers under the FSMA, including the authority to grant, vary the terms of, or cancel a regulated firm's authorisation, to investigate marketing and sales practices and to require the maintenance of adequate financial resources. The FSA can, for example, require firms to provide particular information or documents to it, require a "skilled person" report or formally investigate a firm. It has the power to take a range of disciplinary or enforcement actions, including public censure, restitution, fines or sanctions and the award of compensation.

The FSA may make enquiries of the companies which it regulates regarding compliance with regulations governing the conduct and operation of business. The Issuer believes each of the Group's regulated businesses dedicates sufficient resources to its compliance programme, endeavours to respond to regulatory enquiries in an appropriate way and takes corrective action when warranted. However, all regulated financial services companies face the risk

that the FSA could find that they have failed to comply with applicable regulations or have not undertaken corrective action as required.

The impact of any such finding could have a negative impact on the Group's reported results or on its relations with current and potential customers. Regulatory action against a member of the Group could result in adverse publicity for, or negative perceptions regarding, the Group, or could have a material adverse effect on the business of the Group, its results of operations and/or financial condition and divert management's attention from the day-to-day management of the business.

# Solvency capital

In the UK, firms which are permitted to carry on insurance business are required to maintain a minimum level of assets (referred to as regulatory capital) in excess of their liabilities. The regulated companies within the Group satisfy all of their regulatory requirements in this regard as at the date of this Prospectus. Fluctuations in the fixed income and equity markets would, however, directly or indirectly, affect levels of regulatory capital held by the Group. An inability to meet regulatory capital requirements in the future would be likely to lead to intervention by the FSA, which could be expected to require the Group to take steps for the security of policyholders with a view to restoring regulatory capital to acceptable levels.

The Group has developed a capital management framework using Individual Capital Assessment ("ICA") principles for identifying the risk that business units and the Group as a whole are exposed to, quantifying their impact on economic capital. An ICA has been developed for all material parts of the Group, and the results of financial and operating experience tests are linked to the Group's risk model. ICAs have now been produced for a number of years and the results are used as a basis for discussion with the FSA.

Insurance regulation in the UK is largely based on the requirements of EU Directives. Inconsistent application of Directives by regulators in different EU member states may place the Group at a competitive disadvantage to other European financial services groups. In addition, changes in the local regulatory regimes of designated territories could affect the calculation of the Group's solvency position.

The EU Insurance Groups Directive, which was implemented in the UK in 2001, together with the Financial Groups Directive, which became effective from 1 January 2005, require European financial services groups to demonstrate net aggregate surplus capital in excess of solvency requirements at the Group level in respect of shareholder-owned entities. The EU is also currently reviewing future solvency requirements (the Solvency II review).

Furthermore, various jurisdictions in which the Group operates, including the UK, have created investor compensation schemes that require mandatory contributions from market participants in some instances in the event of a failure of another market participant. As a major participant in the majority of its chosen markets, circumstances could arise where the Group, along with other companies, may be required to make such contributions.

# Changes in legislation or regulation

The Group's businesses are subject to regulatory risk, including adverse changes in the laws, regulations, policies and interpretations in the markets in which it operates. The Group will not always be able to predict accurately the impact of future legislation or regulation or changes in the interpretation or operation of existing legislation or regulation on its business, results of operations and/or financial condition. Changes in government policy, legislation or regulatory interpretation applying to companies in the financial services and insurance industries in any of the markets in which the Group operates, which may be applied retrospectively, may adversely affect the Group's product range, distribution channels, capital requirements and, consequently, results of operations and/or financial condition.

Such changes could include, for example, alterations to the regulatory framework for pension arrangements and policies or the regulation of selling practices and solvency requirements. Changes to financial services legislation or regulation may result in increased costs to the Group due to it being required to set up additional compliance controls or due to the direct cost of such compliance.

# Taxation law

From time to time changes in the interpretation of existing tax laws, amendments to existing tax rates, or the introduction of new tax legislation may adversely impact the business, results of operations and financial condition

of the Group. Changes to the specific legislation that governs the taxation of life insurance companies might also adversely affect the Group.

There are also specific rules governing the taxation of policyholders. The Group is unable accurately to predict the impact of future changes in tax law on the taxation of life insurance and pension policies in the hands of policyholders. Amendments to existing legislation (particularly if there is the withdrawal of any tax relief or an increase in tax rates) or the introduction of new rules may impact upon the future long-term business and the decisions of policyholders. The impact of such changes upon the Group thereafter might depend on the mix of inforce business at the time of such change and could have a material adverse effect on the Group's business, results of operations and/or financial condition.

The design of life insurance products by the life insurance companies in the Group takes into account a number of factors, including risks, benefits, charges, expenses, investment returns (including bonuses) and taxation. The design of long-term insurance products is based on the tax legislation in force at that time. Changes in tax legislation or in the interpretation of tax legislation may therefore, when applied to such products, have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the relevant long-term business fund of the company in which the business was written.

## Exposure to certain Industry Risks

Issues and disputes may arise from time to time from the way in which the insurance industry or asset management industry has sold or administered an insurance policy or other product or in the way in which they have treated policyholders or customers, either individually or collectively. For individual policyholders any such issues or disputes are typically resolved by the Financial Ombudsman Service ("FOS") in the UK, or by litigation. The FSA may intervene directly, however, where larger groups or matters of public policy are concerned. There have been several industry-wide issues in recent years in which the FSA has intervened directly, including the sale of personal pensions, the sale of mortgage-related endowments and investments in split capital investment trusts.

#### Financial Ombudsman Service

In the UK, FOS exists to resolve individual or small business policyholder disputes. The decisions of FOS are not made public but if such decisions are considered unacceptable, applicants are allowed normal legal remedies. Decisions taken by FOS may, from time to time, if extended to a particular class or grouping of policyholders, have a material adverse effect on the Group's embedded value, results of operations and/or financial condition.

# Endowments

In December 1999, the FSA announced the findings of its review of mortgage endowments and expressed concern as to whether, given decreases in expected future investment returns, such policies could be expected to cover the full repayment of mortgages. As at 31 December 2007, the Group has made provisions totalling £96 million to meet potential mis-selling costs and the associated expenses of investigating complaints.

In August 2004, the Group confirmed its intention to introduce time barring on mortgage endowment complaints, under FSA rules, by the end of 2006. The Group has written to its 1.1 million endowment policyholders as part of its ongoing review, stating that it intends to introduce a time bar on mortgage endowment complaints in the future. Customers will be given at least 12 months' notice before a time bar becomes applicable, double the six months' notice required by the FSA.

It continues to be the directors' view that endowment mis-selling costs will have no material effect on the Group's ability to meet the expectations of policyholders or on shareholders. However, until such time as all claims under such policies are either time-barred or determined, the provisions held by companies in the Group are based on a combination of experience and modelling and are, therefore, only estimates of the expected final outcome.

In the event that the assumptions and calculations underlying the business were to be materially wrong, a significant change in the provisions required could have a material adverse effect on the Group's business, results of operations and/or financial condition. Further falls in investment markets could increase the aggregate exposure of the Group to potential endowment mis-selling claims.

# Pensions mis-selling

The pensions review of past sales of personal pension policies which involved transfers, opt-outs and non-joiners from occupational pension schemes, as required by the FSA has largely been completed. A provision of some

£23 million at 31 December 2007 remains to meet the outstanding costs of the very few remaining cases, the anticipated cost of any guarantees provided, and potential levies payable to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. It continues to be the directors' view that there will be no material effect either on the Group's ability to meet the expectations of policyholders or on shareholders.

## Aviva USA (formerly AmerUs) litigation

In November 2006, the Group completed the acquisition of the AmerUs Group ("AmerUs"), a US based insurer. In common with other companies operating in the sector, AmerUs is subject to litigation (including class-action litigation) arising out of its sale of equity based indexed linked annuity products. The Group is aware of a multidistrict class action filed against AmerUs in Pennsylvania but is not aware of any adverse development. It is the directors' view that the litigation will not have a material effect on the financial position of the Group.

# Asbestos, pollution and social and environmental issues

In the course of conducting insurance business, various companies within the Group receive general insurance liability claims, and become involved in actual or threatened related litigation, including claims in respect of pollution and other environmental hazards. Amongst these are claims in respect of asbestos production and handling in various jurisdictions, including the UK, Australia, and Canada. Given the significant delays that are experienced in the notification of these claims, the potential number of incidents which they cover and the uncertainties associated with establishing liability and the availability of reinsurance, the ultimate cost cannot be determined with certainty. However, the Group's net exposure to such liabilities is not significant and, on the basis of current information and having regard to the level of provisions made for general insurance claims, the directors consider that any costs arising are not likely to have a material impact on the financial position of the Group.

# Future litigation

Long-term product design will take into account, *inter alia*, benefits, risks, expenses, charges, investment return (including bonuses) and taxation. A policyholder or group of policyholders may seek legal redress where the product fails to meet the reasonable expectations of the policyholders. Given the inherent unpredictability of litigation, it is possible that an adverse outcome in some matters could have a material adverse effect on the Group's business, results of operations and/or financial condition arising from the penalties imposed, together with the costs of defending any action.

# **Operational Risks**

All of the Group's businesses are subject to operational risks, including the risk of direct or indirect loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal and external processes, systems and human error or from external events.

The Group's business is dependent on processing a large number of complex transactions across numerous and diverse products. Furthermore, the long-term nature of the majority of the Group's business means that accurate records have to be maintained for significant periods. The Group also outsources several operations, including certain servicing and IT functions and is therefore at least partially reliant upon the operational processing performance of its outsourcing partners. The provision of services under outsourcing arrangements is supervised by the Group, which also has the benefit of detailed contractual protections in the event of service failures or contractual defaults.

The Group's systems and processes are designed to ensure that the operational risks associated with its activities are appropriately controlled, although weaknesses in the systems could have a negative impact on its results of operations during the affected period, result in material reputational damage, the loss of customers and have a consequent material adverse effect on the Group's business.

# Potential reattribution of inherited estate of CGNU and CULAC funds

The Group has agreed an offer with the policyholder advocate, Claire Spottiswoode, regarding the reattribution of the inherited estate of the CGNU and CULAC with-profit funds. The project, which is extremely large and complex and requires shareholder, FSA and the High Court of England and Wales approval, could have an effect on the Group's reputation.

# Joint ventures

The Group operates in several markets through joint ventures and other arrangements with third parties. These arrangements involve certain risks that the Group does not face with respect to its subsidiaries.

The Group's ability to exercise management control over its joint venture and partnership operations and its investment in them depends on the terms of the joint venture agreements, in particular, the allocation of control among, and continued co-operation between, the joint venture participants and may be adversely affected by new or existing regulations in the markets in which its joint ventures operate.

The Group may also face financial or other exposure in the event that any of its joint venture partners fails to meet its obligations under the joint venture or encounters financial difficulty. In addition, a significant proportion of the Group's product distribution is carried out through arrangements with third parties not controlled by the Group and is dependent upon continuation of these relationships. A temporary or permanent disruption to these distribution arrangements could affect the Group's financial condition.

#### Asset Management

#### Loss of key personnel

The failure to retain key investment managers by the asset management companies within the Group may result in the loss of investment management mandates, making the retention and winning of mandates more difficult. As a result, the inability to attract and/or retain the necessary personnel could have a material adverse effect on the Group's results and/or financial condition.

# Loss of customer mandates

In the event that the Group's asset management companies fail to provide satisfactory or appropriate investment returns on the assets under management, underperform their competitors or benchmark performance measures, or do not offer a sufficiently broad range of investment products, existing customers may decide to reduce or liquidate investments held with the asset management companies within the Group or, alternatively, where relevant, transfer mandates to other investment managers.

This might have an adverse effect on the Group's business, results of operations (through a reduction in revenue received by the Group from the products sold) and/or financial condition. In addition, such underperformance may result in the removal of the Group from consultants' shortlists. This could lead to a loss of business for the Group and/or a failure to win new mandates.

# Group-wide risks

# Accounting

There is ongoing uncertainty regarding the direction and timing of IFRS Phase II for Insurance Contracts. In this respect, risk remains around the impact on the Group's financial results and solvency position and the operational challenges required to implement it.

# Pensions

The Group operates either defined benefit or defined contribution schemes in most countries in which it operates.

There are inherent funding risks associated with the Group's participations in defined benefit schemes. Events could result in the funding position of such schemes being materially reduced and, in some cases, a deficit between a particular pension scheme's assets and liabilities could increase. Such events include: (i) poor investment performance of pension fund investments; (ii) greater life expectancy than assumed; (iii) adverse changes in interest rates; and (iv) other events occurring which make past service benefits more expensive than predicted in the actuarial assumptions by reference to which funding requirements have been assessed.

# Reputational Damage

The Group is vulnerable to adverse market perception as it operates in a regulated industry where it must display a high level of integrity and maintain the trust and the confidence of customers. Mismanagement, fraud or failure to satisfy fiduciary or regulatory responsibilities, or the negative publicity resulting from such activities or the accusation by a third party of such activities associated with the Group or a relevant investment sector generally (for example, such as the mis-sale of pensions, mortgage endowments or split capital investment trusts), could have a material adverse effect on the Group's business, results of operations and/or financial condition.

# Holding Company (applicable to Issuer only)

The Issuer's insurance and investment management operations are generally conducted through direct and indirect subsidiaries. As a holding company, the Issuer's principal sources of funds are dividends from subsidiaries,

shareholder-backed funds, the shareholder transfer from the Issuer's long-term funds and any amounts that may be raised through the issuance of debt and commercial paper. Certain of the subsidiaries have regulatory restrictions that may limit the payment of dividends, which in some circumstances could limit the Group's ability to pay dividends to shareholders.

#### **Guarantor Company**

In addition to the risks described above, the following additional risks are specific to the Guarantor.

#### Market risk

Each of the major components of market risk faced by the Guarantor is described below.

Equity risk: the Guarantor is subject to equity price risk due to daily changes in the market values of its equity securities portfolio.

Interest rate risk: the Guarantor is exposed to fluctuations in interest rates, primarily from the Guarantor's investments, long-term debt and fixed income securities.

Currency risk: whilst the Guarantor does not face a material currency risk from trading operations, it does face exposure through the fair value of overseas subsidiaries.

#### Credit risk

In addition to its credit risk exposure on financial assets and reinsurance counterparties (which is similar to that experienced by the Group as a whole), the Guarantor has significant financial exposure in respect of intercompany debt due from its ultimate parent, Aviva plc, and fellow Group companies, and in respect of amounts guaranteed and debts owed by Aviva plc to third parties which are guaranteed by the Guarantor. Whilst the credit risk arising from Group companies failing to meet all or part of their obligations is considered remote, credit risk does remain.

The credit risk exposure on financial assets and reinsurance counterparties are similar to those experienced by the Group as a whole.

# General Insurance risk

The Guarantor's insurance business is managed within a group of companies undertaking insurance business and other non insurance business in the UK (the NUI Group). The NUI Group considers insurance risk within its general insurance activity to be comprised of fluctuations in the timing, frequency and severity of claims; the assessment and pricing of risk; and the adequacy of reserving.

# Liquidity risk

The Guarantor's investment strategy aims to ensure that the Guarantor has sufficient liquid funds to meet its expected obligations as they fall due. The ability of the guarantor to meet its financial obligations is dependent upon the availability of cashflows from its subsidiaries and affiliated companies through dividends, inter-company advances and other payments.

# Risks related to Notes generally

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

# Guarantee applies to Senior Notes only

The Guarantor has guaranteed the obligations of the Issuer in respect of Senior Notes only. The Guarantor has no liability with respect to Tier 1 Notes or Tier 2 Notes, which are subordinated obligations of the Issuer only.

# Modification, waivers and substitution

The Terms and 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 do not attend and vote at the relevant meeting and Noteholders who vote in a manner contrary to the majority.

The Terms and Conditions of the Notes also provide that the Trustee may, without the consent of Noteholders, agree to (i) subject (in the case of the Tier 1 Notes and the Tier 2 Notes) to receiving no objection from the FSA, any modification of, or to the waiver or authorisation of any breach or proposed breach of, any of the provisions of Notes

or (ii) the substitution of another company as principal debtor under any Notes in place of the Issuer and/or in the case of Senior Notes, as guarantor in place of the Guarantor, in each case in the circumstances described in the Terms and Conditions of the Notes.

# EU Savings Tax Directive

Under measures implemented in order to comply with EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income, 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 in that other Member State. However, for a transitional period, Belgium, Luxembourg and Austria will instead be required (unless during that period they elect otherwise and subject to a procedure whereby, on meeting certain conditions, the beneficial owner of the interest or other income may request that no tax be withheld) 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). It should be noted that the Directive does not preclude any Member State which is a party to the Directive from levying other types of withholding tax or from imposing withholding tax in other circumstances.

# Integral multiples of less than €50,000

Although Notes which are admitted to trading on a regulated market within the EEA or offered to the public in a Member State of the EEA in circumstances which require the publication of a prospectus under the Prospectus Directive are required to have a minimum Specified Denomination of €50,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency as at the date of issue of the relevant Notes), it is possible that the Notes may be traded in the clearing systems in amounts in excess of €50,000 (or its equivalent) that are not integral multiples of €50,000 (or its equivalent). In such a case, should definitive Notes be required to be issued, Noteholders who hold Notes in the relevant clearing system in amounts that are not integral multiples of a Specified Denomination may need to purchase or sell, on or before the relevant Exchange Date, a principal amount of Notes such that their holding is an integral multiple of a Specified Denomination.

# Notes subject to optional redemption by the Issuer

An optional redemption feature is likely to limit the market value of Notes. During any period when the 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 Issuer 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.

# Restricted remedy for non-payment

In accordance with FSA requirements for subordinated capital, the sole remedy against the Issuer available to the Trustee or (where the Trustee has failed to proceed against the Issuer as provided in the Terms and Conditions of the Notes) any holder of Notes for recovery of amounts owing in respect of the Tier 1 Notes and the Tier 2 Notes and Coupons will be the institution of proceedings for the winding-up of the Issuer and/or proving in such winding-up and/or claiming in the liquidation of the Issuer for such amounts.

# Risks related to the Tier 1 Notes

The Issuer's obligations under the Tier 1 Notes are subordinated

The rights and claims of the holders of the Notes will be subordinated to the claims of all Senior Creditors (as defined in Condition 18 of the "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes"), in that payments in respect thereof will be conditional upon the Issuer being solvent at the time of payment by the Issuer and in that no principal, premium or interest or any other amount shall be due and payable in respect of the Notes except to the extent that the Issuer could make such payment and still be solvent as contemplated by the "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes" immediately thereafter, in each case except in the winding-up of the Issuer.

If at any time an order is made, or an effective resolution is passed, for the winding-up of the Issuer (except in the circumstances described in Condition 3(c) of the "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes"), or an administrator of the Issuer has been appointed and given notice that it intends to declare and distribute a dividend there shall be payable by the Issuer in respect of each Tier 1 Note such amount, if any, as would have been payable to the holder of

such Tier 1 Note if, on the day prior to the commencement of the winding-up or, as the case may be, the administration and thereafter, such holder were the holder of shares in the capital of the Issuer as follows (and for such purposes capitalised terms used in paragraphs (i) to (iii) below shall have the meanings given to them in Condition 18 of the "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes"):

- (i) for each £1 (or, where the Specified Currency is other than pounds sterling, the relevant Specified Currency Unit) otherwise payable in respect of any Interest Payment, Deferred Interest Payment (which includes any Deferred Interest Payment which has not been settled in accordance with the AISM as a result of the Ordinary Shares Threshold, PIK Securities Threshold or Preferred Parity Securities Threshold, insufficiency or otherwise) or other amount payable in respect of, or arising from, each Tier 1 Note (including any damages awarded for breach of any obligations) in respect of which the conditions specified in Condition 3(b)(i) of the "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes" are not satisfied on the date on which the same would otherwise be due and payable or which otherwise have not been satisfied, apart from principal: one preference share of £1 (or, as appropriate, the relevant Specified Currency Unit) each in the capital of the Issuer ranking equally with the Notional Preference Shares;
- (ii) subject to (iii) below, for each £1 (or, as appropriate, the relevant Specified Currency Unit) otherwise payable in respect of the principal amount of each Tier 1 Note: such number of Ordinary Shares of the Issuer then in issue whose nominal value aggregates to £1 (or, as appropriate, the relevant Specified Currency Unit) ranking equally with the issued Ordinary Shares; and
- (iii) if and to the extent that the principal amount of each Tier 1 Note exceeds the amount of Deferred Interest Payments attributable to such Tier 1 Note (the "excess amount"), for each £1 (or, as appropriate, the relevant Specified Currency Unit) of excess amount otherwise payable in respect of, or arising from, such Tier 1 Note: one preference share of £1 (or, as appropriate, the relevant Specified Currency Unit) each in the capital of the Issuer ranking equally with the Notional Preference Shares.

Although the Tier 1 Notes may pay a higher rate of interest than comparable Notes which are not subordinated, there is a significant risk that an investor in Tier 1 Notes will lose all or some of its investment should the Issuer become insolvent.

# Deferral of Interest Payments

The Issuer may elect to defer any Interest Payment on those Tier 1 Notes which are Option A Notes and may, on any Discretionary Interest Payment Date, defer any Interest Payment on those Tier 1 Notes which are Option B Notes. If the Issuer does defer an Interest Payment (whether pursuant to the general right to defer an Interest Payment under Condition 5 of the Tier 1 Notes or by virtue of failing to satisfy the condition to payment set out in Condition 3(b)(i) of the Tier 1 Notes), such Deferred Interest Payment may be satisfied at any time by the Issuer giving 14 days' notice to the holders of the Notes and shall be satisfied upon the first of the following to occur: (i) redemption of the Notes in accordance with Condition 6(d) of the Tier 1 Notes; (ii) redemption, substitution or variation of the Notes in accordance with Condition 6 or (iii) substitution of the Notes by Substituted Preference Shares pursuant to Condition 6(i) of the Tier 1 Notes. Deferred Coupons may only (except following a Suspension and in the circumstances otherwise provided in Condition 5(c)(viii) of the Tier 1 Notes) be satisfied by means of the Alternative Interest Satisfaction Mechanism and the operation of such mechanism is subject to certain conditions (more particularly described in the Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes).

Except in the limited circumstances provided in Condition 5(c)(vi) of the Tier 1 Notes, no Deferred Interest Payment will bear interest.

# Perpetual Securities

The Issuer is under no obligation to redeem the Tier 1 Notes at any time and the holders of Tier 1 Notes have no right to call for their redemption. The Issuer may from time to time, in connection with the issue of a Series of Tier 1 Notes, enter into a replacement capital covenant for the benefit of holders of certain of its outstanding debt. A replacement capital covenant would permit the Issuer to redeem such Series of Tier 1 Notes only to the extent it has raised sufficient net proceeds from the issuance of qualifying securities. See Condition 6(b) in the "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes" for a summary of the terms of such a replacement capital covenant.

#### Redemption, Exchange Risk and Substitution

The Tier 1 Notes may, subject as provided in Condition 6 of the Tier 1 Notes, be redeemed at their Optional Redemption Amount together with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption and any Outstanding Payments at the option of the Issuer on any Optional Redemption Date. In addition, upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or a Capital Disqualification Event, the Tier 1 Notes may be (i) substituted for, or their terms varied so that they become, Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities; or (ii) redeemed in the case of (x) a Tax Event, at their outstanding principal amount or, (y) a Capital Disqualification Event, at the Capital Disqualification Redemption Price, together in each case with any Outstanding Payments, all as more particularly described in "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes – 6. Redemption, Substitution, Variation, Purchase and Options".

Furthermore, upon the occurrence and continuation of a Substitution Event, the Issuer may, subject as provided in Condition 6 of the Tier 1 Notes, substitute the Tier 1 Notes by Substituted Preference Shares, all as more particularly described in "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes -6. Redemption, Substitution, Variation, Purchase and Options -(i) Substitution for Substituted Preference Shares".

The tax consequences of holding preferences shares following a substitution could be different for some categories of holder from the tax consequences for them of holding Tier 1 Notes. If so specified in the relevant Final Terms, the terms of Substituted Preference Shares may not provide for a step-up in the dividend rate matching any step-up in Coupon Rate payable on the Tier 1 Notes for which they are substituted.

#### No limitation on issuing senior or pari passu securities

There is no restriction on the amount of securities which the Issuer may issue and which may rank senior to, or *pari passu* with, the Tier 1 Notes. The issue of any such securities may reduce the amount recoverable by holders of Tier 1 Notes on a winding-up of the Issuer and/or may increase the likelihood of a deferral of payments under the Tier 1 Notes.

#### Use of the AISM to satisfy Deferred Interest Payments may be subject to caps

The Issuer may satisfy AISM Payments only by means of issuing Ordinary Shares, PIK Securities and/or Preferred Parity Securities in accordance with "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes – Deferral of Payments". The ability of the Issuer to satisfy Deferred Interest Payments by means of issuing Ordinary Shares, PIK Securities or Preferred Parity Securities is subject to caps on the issue of such securities as referred to in "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes – Deferral of Payments". Consequently, if at any time when any Deferred Interest Payments fall to be satisfied, the Issuer has reached the caps, the Issuer will not be able to satisfy such Deferred Interest Payment to such extent for the life of such Tier 1 Notes (in the case of Preferred Parity Securities or PIK Securities) or for a 12 month period (in the case of Ordinary Shares). Further, the Tier 1 Notes may not be redeemed, substituted or varied unless and until all Deferred Interest Payments (if any) are satisfied in full through the operation of the AISM, on or prior to the date set for the relevant redemption, substitution or variation.

# Availability of shares and securities

The Issuer will undertake to use all reasonable endeavours to obtain and maintain certain corporate authorisations required for the operation of the AISM, as more particularly described in "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes – Deferral of Payments". However, if, at the time when any AISM Payments fall to be satisfied, the Issuer does not have available and/or the Directors do not have the necessary authority under English law to allot (free from any pre-emption rights) a sufficient number of Eligible Securities to satisfy the relevant AISM Payments, then the Issuer will not be able to operate the AISM.

The Issuer may not exercise its right to redeem, substitute or vary the Tier 1 Notes, unless the Issuer has available, and the Directors have the corresponding authority to allot, such number of Eligible Securities as may be required to be issued for the purposes of satisfying in full any AISM Payments which are required to be satisfied in connection with such redemption, substitution or variation (all as more particularly described in "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes — Deferral of Interest"). In addition, the Tier 1 Notes may not be redeemed, substituted or varied unless all Deferred Interest Payments (if any) are satisfied through the operation of the AISM on or prior to the date set for the relevant redemption, substitution or variation.

#### Risks relating to the Undated Tier 2 Notes

The Issuer's obligations under the Undated Tier 2 Notes are subordinated

The Undated Tier 2 Notes will constitute direct and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* and without any preference among themselves. In the event of the winding-up or administration of the Issuer, the payment obligations of the Issuer under the Undated Tier 2 Notes shall be subordinated to the claims of all Senior Creditors (as defined in Condition 18 of the "Terms and Conditions of the Undated Tier 2 Notes" (which shall include holders of the Dated Tier 2 Notes)) of the Issuer but shall rank at least *pari passu* with all other undated or perpetual obligations of the Issuer that are not expressed by their terms to rank junior to the Undated Tier 2 Notes and in priority to the claims of holders of all classes of share capital of the Issuer.

Without prejudice to Condition 3(b) of the "Terms and Conditions of the Undated Tier 2 Notes", all payments under or arising from the Undated Tier 2 Notes, the Coupons relating to them and the Trust Deed shall be conditional upon the Issuer being solvent at the time for payment by the Issuer, and no amount shall be payable in respect of the Undated Tier 2 Notes unless and until such time as the Issuer could make such payment and still be solvent as contemplated by the "Terms and Conditions of the Undated Tier 2 Notes" immediately thereafter.

If at any time an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the winding-up of the Issuer (except in the circumstances described in Condition 3(b) of the "Terms and Conditions of the Undated Tier 2 Notes") or an administrator of the Issuer has been appointed and given notice that it intends to declare and distribute a dividend, there shall be payable on each Undated Tier 2 Note such amount, if any, as would have been payable to the holder thereof if, on the date prior to the commencement of the winding-up or, as the case may be, the administration and thereafter, such holder were the holder of a preference share in the capital of the Issuer having a preferential right to a return of assets in the winding-up over the holders of all issued shares for the time being in the capital of the Issuer on the assumption that such preference share was entitled to receive on a return of assets in such winding-up an amount equal to the principal amount of such Undated Tier 2 Note, together with Arrears of Interest, if any, and any interest which has accrued up to, but excluding, the date of repayment.

Although the Tier 2 Notes may pay a higher rate of interest than comparable Notes which are not subordinated, there is a significant risk that an investor in Undated Tier 2 Notes will lose all or some of its investment should the Issuer become insolvent.

# Deferral of Interest Payments

The Issuer may elect to defer any payment of interest on those Undated Tier 2 Notes which are Option A Notes which would otherwise be payable on an Interest Payment Date. The Issuer may, on any Discretionary Interest Payment Date, defer any payment of interest on those Undated Tier 2 Notes which are Option B Notes which would otherwise be payable on such date.

Any interest in respect of the Notes not paid on an Interest Payment Date or Discretionary Interest Payment Date (as appropriate), together with any other interest in respect thereof not paid on any earlier Interest Payment Date or Discretionary Interest Payment Date (as appropriate), may (subject to Condition 3(b)) be paid in whole or in part at any time and in any event will automatically become immediately due and payable in whole upon the earlier of:

- (i) the date on which an order is made or a resolution is passed for the winding-up of the Issuer (other than a solvent winding-up solely for the purposes of a reconstruction or amalgamation or the substitution in place of the Issuer of a successor in business of the Issuer, the terms of which reconstruction, amalgamation or substitution (i) have previously been approved in writing by the Trustee or by an Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Trust Deed) and (ii) do not provide that the Notes shall thereby become payable) or an administrator of the Issuer has been appointed and given notice that it intends to declare and distribute a dividend; or
- (ii) the date fixed for any redemption or purchase of Notes by or on behalf of the Issuer.

Arrears of Interest and any other amount, payment of which is so deferred, shall not themselves bear interest.

# Perpetual Securities

The Issuer is under no obligation to redeem the Undated Tier 2 Notes at any time and the holders of Undated Tier 2 Notes have no right to call for their redemption.

#### Redemption and Exchange Risk

The Undated Tier 2 Notes may, subject as provided in Condition 6, be redeemed at their Optional Redemption Amount together with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption and any Arrears of Interest at the option of the Issuer on any Optional Redemption Date. In addition, upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or a Capital Disqualification Event, the Undated Tier 2 Notes may be (i) substituted for, or their terms varied so that they become Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities; or (ii) redeemed in the case of (x) a Tax Event, at their outstanding principal amount or, (y) a Capital Disqualification Event, at the Capital Disqualification Redemption Price together in each case with Arrears of Interest, all as more particularly described in "Terms and Conditions of the Undated Tier 2 Notes – Redemption, Substitution, Variation, Purchase and Options".

#### No limitation on issuing senior or pari passu securities

There is no restriction on the amount of securities which the Issuer may issue and which may rank senior to, or *pari passu* with, the Undated Tier 2 Notes. The issue of any such securities may reduce the amount recoverable by holders of Undated Tier 2 Notes on a winding-up of the Issuer and/or may increase the likelihood of a deferral of payments under the Undated Tier 2 Notes.

#### Risks relating to the Dated Tier 2 Notes

The Issuer's obligations under the Dated Tier 2 Notes are subordinated

The Dated Tier 2 Notes will constitute direct, unsecured and subordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* and without any preference among themselves. In the event of the winding-up or administration of the Issuer, the payment obligations of the Issuer under or arising from the Dated Tier 2 Notes, the Coupons relating to them and the Trust Deed shall be subordinated to the claims of all Senior Creditors (as defined in Condition 18 of the "Terms and Conditions of the Dated Tier 2 Notes") of the Issuer but shall rank at least *pari passu* with all other subordinated obligations of the Issuer which constitute, or would but for any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital, constitute Lower Tier 2 Capital and in priority to those whose claims constitute or would but for any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital, constitute Upper Tier 2 Capital or Tier 1 Capital and to the claims of holders of all classes of share capital of the Issuer.

## Deferral of Interest Payments on Option B Notes

The Issuer may on any Optional Interest Payment Date, being an Interest Payment Date upon which, *inter alia*, a Regulatory Intervention is occurring or which falls in a financial year in which no interest payments have been made on any junior or *pari passu* ranking securities of the Issuer, subject to payment of Arrears of Interest in accordance with Condition 5(c), defer paying interest on each Optional Interest Payment Date until the Maturity Date or any earlier date on which those Dated Tier 2 Notes which are Option B Notes are redeemed in full.

# Redemption and Exchange Risk

The Dated Tier 2 Notes may, subject as provided in Condition 6, be redeemed at their Optional Redemption Amount together with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption and any Arrears of Interest at the option of the Issuer on any Optional Redemption Date. In addition, upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or a Capital Disqualification Event, the Dated Tier 2 Notes may be (i) substituted for, or their terms varied so that they become, Qualifying Lower Tier 2 Securities; or (ii) redeemed in the case of (x) a Tax Event, at their outstanding principal amount or, (y) in the case of a Capital Disqualification Event, at the Capital Disqualification Redemption Price, together in each case with Arrears of Interest, all as more particularly described in "Terms and Conditions of the Dated Tier 2 Notes – Redemption, Substitution, Variation, Purchase and Options".

# No limitation on issuing series or pari passu securities

There is no restriction on the amount of securities which the Issuer may issue and which may rank senior to, or *pari passu* with, the Dated Tier 2 Notes. The issue of any such securities may reduce the amount recoverable by holders of Dated Tier 2 Notes on a winding-up of the Issuer and/or may increase the likelihood of a deferral of payments under the Option B Notes.

## Risks related to the structure of a particular Issue of Senior Notes

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

# Index Linked Senior Notes and Dual Currency Senior Notes

The Issuer may issue Senior 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 Issuer may issuer Senior Notes with principal or interest payable in one or more currencies which may be different from the currency in which the Senior Notes are denominated. Potential investors should be aware that:

- (i) the market price of such Senior 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) the amount of principal payable at redemption may be less than the nominal amount of such Senior Notes or even zero;
- (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 Senior 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.

# Partly-paid Senior Notes

The Issuer may issue Senior 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 its investment.

Variable rate Senior Notes with a multiplier or other leverage factor

Senior 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 Senior Notes

Inverse Floating Rate Senior 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 such Senior 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 Senior Notes are more volatile because an increase in the reference rate not only decreases the interest rate of the Senior Notes, but may also reflect an increase in prevailing interest rates, which further aversely affects the market value of these Senior Notes.

# Fixed/Floating rate Senior Notes

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

#### Senior Notes issued at a substantial discount or premium

The market values of securities issued at a substantial discount or premium to their nominal 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 the market generally

Set out below is a brief description of certain 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 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. Illiquidity may have a severely adverse effect on the market value of Notes.

## Exchange rate risks and exchange controls

The Issuer will pay principal and interest on the Notes 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 (1) the Investor's Currency-equivalent yield on the Notes, (2) the Investor's Currency equivalent value of the Principal payable on the Notes and (3) the Investor's Currency equivalent market value of the Notes.

#### Interest rate risks

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

## Credit ratings may not reflect all risks

One or more independent credit rating agencies may assign credit ratings to an issue of 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.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SENIOR NOTES

The following is the text of the terms and conditions that, subject to completion and amendment and as supplemented or varied in accordance with the provisions of Part A of the relevant Final Terms and, if applicable, subject to any amendment or supplement set out in any applicable Supplemental Prospectus, shall be applicable to the Senior Notes in definitive form (if any) issued in exchange for the Global Note(s) or Certificates representing each Series of Senior Notes. The full text of these terms and conditions together with the relevant provisions of Part A of the Final Terms and, if applicable, the relevant provisions of any applicable Supplemental Prospectus shall be endorsed on such Bearer Notes or on the Certificates relating to such Registered Notes. Accordingly, references in these terms and conditions to provisions specified hereon shall be to the provisions endorsed on the face of the relevant Note or set out in the relevant Final Terms and, if applicable, Supplemental Prospectus. All capitalised terms that are not defined in these Conditions will have the meanings given to them in Part A of the relevant Final Terms. Those definitions will be endorsed on the definitive Notes or Certificates, as the case may be. References in the Conditions to "Notes" are to the Senior Notes of one Series only, not to all Notes that may be issued under the Programme.

The Notes are constituted by a Trust Deed (as amended or supplemented as at the date of issue of the Notes (the "Issue Date"), the "Trust Deed") dated 27 November 2007 between Aviva plc (the "Issuer"), Aviva International Insurance Limited (the "Guarantor") and the Law Debenture Trust Corporation plc (the "Trustee", which expression shall include all persons for the time being the trustee or trustees under the Trust Deed) as trustee for the Noteholders (as defined below). These terms and conditions include summaries of, and are subject to, the detailed provisions of the Trust Deed, which includes the form of the Bearer Notes, Certificates, Coupons and Talons referred to below. An Agency Agreement dated 27 November 2007 (as amended or supplemented as at the Issue Date, the "Agency Agreement") has been entered into in relation to the Notes between the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Trustee, HSBC Bank plc as initial issuing and paying agent and the other agents named in it. The issuing and paying agent, the paying agents, the registrar, the transfer agents and the calculation agent(s) for the time being (if any) are referred to below respectively as the "Issuing and Paying Agent", the "Paying Agents" (which expression shall include the Issuing and Paying Agent), the "Registrar", the "Transfer Agents" (which expression shall include the Registrar) and the "Calculation Agent(s)". Copies of the Trust Deed and the Agency Agreement are available for inspection during usual business hours at the principal office of the Trustee (presently at Fifth Floor, 100 Wood Street, London EC2V 7EX, United Kingdom) and at the specified offices of the Paying Agents and the Transfer Agents.

The Noteholders, the holders of the interest coupons (the "Coupons") relating to interest bearing Notes in bearer form and, where applicable in the case of such Notes, talons for further Coupons (the "Talons") (the "Couponholders") and the holders of the receipts for the payment of instalments of principal (the "Receipts") relating to Notes in bearer form of which the principal is payable in instalments are entitled to the benefit of, are bound by, and are deemed to have notice of, all the provisions of the Trust Deed and are deemed to have notice of those provisions applicable to them of the Agency Agreement.

As used in these Conditions, "Tranche" means Notes which are identical in all respects.

#### 1 Form. Denomination and Title

The Notes are issued in bearer form ("Bearer Notes") or in registered form ("Registered Notes") in each case in the Specified Denomination(s) shown hereon provided that in the case of any Notes which are to be 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, the minimum Specified Denomination shall be €50,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency as at the date of issue of the relevant Notes).

All Registered Notes shall have the same Specified Denomination.

This Note is a Fixed Rate Note, a Floating Rate Note, a Zero Coupon Note, an Index Linked Interest Note, an Index Linked Redemption Note, an Instalment Note, a Dual Currency Note or a Partly Paid Note, a combination of any of the foregoing or any other kind of Note, depending upon the Interest and Redemption/Payment Basis shown hereon.

Bearer Notes are serially numbered and are issued with Coupons (and, where appropriate, a Talon) attached, save in the case of Zero Coupon Notes in which case references to interest (other than in relation to interest due after the Maturity Date), Coupons and Talons in these Conditions are not applicable. Instalment Notes are issued with one or more Receipts attached.

Registered Notes are represented by registered certificates ("Certificates") and, save as provided in Condition 2(b), each Certificate shall represent the entire holding of Registered Notes by the same holder.

Title to the Bearer Notes and the Receipts, Coupons and Talons shall pass by delivery. Title to the Registered Notes shall pass by registration in the register that the Issuer shall procure to be kept by the Registrar in accordance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement (the "Register"). Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the holder (as defined below) of any Note, Receipt, Coupon or Talon shall be deemed to be and may be treated as its absolute owner for all purposes whether or not it is overdue and regardless of any notice of ownership, trust or an interest in it, any writing on it (or on the Certificate representing it) or its theft or loss (or that of the related Certificate) and no person shall be liable for so treating the holder.

In these Conditions, "Noteholder" means the bearer of any Bearer Note and the Receipts relating to it or the person in whose name a Registered Note is registered (as the case may be), "holder" (in relation to a Note, Receipt, Coupon or Talon) means the bearer of any Bearer Note, Receipt, Coupon or Talon or the person in whose name a Registered Note is registered (as the case may be) and capitalised terms have the meanings given to them hereon and in the Trust Deed.

# 2 Transfers of Registered Notes

# (a) Transfer of Registered Notes

One or more Registered Notes may be transferred upon the surrender (at the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent) of the Certificate representing such Registered Notes to be transferred, together with the form of transfer (as set out in Schedule 1 of the Trust Deed) endorsed on such Certificate, (or another form of transfer substantially in the same form and containing the same representations and certifications (if any), unless otherwise agreed by the Issuer), duly completed and executed and any other evidence as the Registrar or Transfer Agent may reasonably require. In the case of a transfer of part only of a holding of Registered Notes represented by one Certificate, a new Certificate shall be issued to the transferree in respect of the part transferred and a further new Certificate in respect of the balance of the holding not transferred shall be issued to the transferor. All transfers of Notes and entries on the Register will be made subject to the detailed regulations concerning transfers of Notes scheduled to the Agency Agreement. The regulations may be changed by the Issuer, with the prior written approval of the Registrar and the Trustee. A copy of the current regulations will be made available by the Registrar to any Noteholder upon request.

# (b) Exercise of Options or Partial Redemption in Respect of Registered Notes

In the case of an exercise of an Issuer's or Noteholders' option in respect of a holding of Registered Notes represented by a single Certificate or a partial redemption of a holding of Registered Notes represented by a single Certificate, a new Certificate shall be issued to the holder to reflect the exercise of such option or in respect of the balance of the holding not redeemed. In the case of a partial exercise of an option resulting in Registered Notes of the same holding having different terms, separate Certificates shall be issued in respect of those Notes of that holding that have the same terms. New Certificates shall only be issued against surrender of the existing Certificates to the Registrar or any Transfer Agent. In the case of a transfer of Registered Notes to a person who is already a holder of Registered Notes, a new Certificate representing the enlarged holding shall only be issued against surrender of the Certificate representing the existing holding.

# (c) Delivery of New Certificates

Each new Certificate to be issued pursuant to Conditions 2(a) or (b) shall be available for delivery within three business days of receipt of the form of transfer or Exercise Notice (as defined in Condition 6(e)) and surrender of the Certificate for exchange. Delivery of the new Certificate(s) shall be made at the specified office of the Transfer Agent or of the Registrar (as the case may be) to whom delivery or surrender of such form of transfer, Exercise Notice or Certificate shall have been made or, at the option of the holder making such delivery or surrender as aforesaid and as specified in the relevant form of transfer, Exercise Notice or otherwise in writing, be mailed by uninsured post at the risk of the holder entitled to the new Certificate to such address as may be so specified, unless such holder requests otherwise and pays in advance to the relevant Transfer Agent the costs of such other method of delivery and/or such insurance as it may specify. In this Condition 2(c), "business day" means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which banks are open

for business in the place of the specified office of the relevant Transfer Agent or the Registrar (as the case may be).

# (d) Exchange Free of Charge

Exchange and transfer of Notes and Certificates on registration, transfer, exercise of an option or partial redemption shall be effected without charge by or on behalf of the Issuer, the Registrar or the Transfer Agents, but upon payment of any tax or other governmental charges by the person submitting such Notes or Certificates that may be imposed in relation to it (or the giving of such indemnity as the Registrar or the relevant Transfer Agent may require).

# (e) Closed Periods

No Noteholder may require the transfer of a Registered Note to be registered (i) during the period of 15 days ending on the due date for redemption of, or payment of any Instalment Amount in respect of, that Note, (ii) during the period of 15 days prior to any date on which Notes may be called for redemption by the Issuer at its option pursuant to Condition 6(d), (iii) after any such Note has been called for redemption or (iv) during the period of seven days ending on (and including) any Record Date.

# **3** Guarantee and Status

# (a) Guarantee

The Guarantor has unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed the due payment of all sums expressed to be payable by the Issuer under the Trust Deed, the Notes, Receipts and Coupons. Its obligations in that respect (the "Guarantee") are contained in the Trust Deed.

# (b) Status of Notes and Guarantee

The Notes and the Receipts and Coupons relating to them constitute (subject to Condition 4) unsecured obligations of the Issuer and shall at all times rank *pari passu* and without any preference among themselves. The payment obligations of the Issuer under the Notes and the Receipts and Coupons relating to them and of the Guarantor under the Guarantee shall, save for such exceptions as may be provided by applicable legislation and subject to Condition 4, at all times rank at least equally with all other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness and monetary obligations of the Issuer and the Guarantor respectively, present and future.

# 4 Negative Pledge

So long as any of the Notes remains outstanding (as defined in the Trust Deed) neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor will create or have outstanding any mortgage, charge, pledge, lien or other encumbrance (other than any arising by operation of law) upon the whole or any part of its or their respective undertakings or assets (other than assets representing the fund or funds maintained by the Issuer or the Guarantor in respect of long-term business (as defined in the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000)) present or future, to secure any Relevant Indebtedness (as defined below) or to secure any guarantee or indemnity in respect thereof, without simultaneously with, or prior to, the creation of such security, securing the Notes equally and rateably therewith to the satisfaction of the Trustee, or providing other security therefor which the Trustee in its absolute discretion shall deem 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 Indebtedness" means any indebtedness for moneys borrowed (as defined in Condition 10) (other than (i) indebtedness which has a stated maturity not exceeding one year or (ii) any indebtedness which comprises non-recourse borrowings (as defined below) and which, in either case, is in the form of, or represented or evidenced by, bonds, notes, debentures, loan stock or other securities which, with the agreement of the Issuer or the Guarantor, are quoted, listed, dealt in or traded on a stock exchange or over the counter or other recognised securities market.

"non-recourse borrowings" means any indebtedness for moneys borrowed to finance the ownership, acquisition, development and/or operation of an asset in respect of which the person or persons to whom any such indebtedness

for moneys borrowed is or may be owed by the relevant borrower has or have no recourse whatsoever to the Issuer, the Guarantor or any of their respective Subsidiaries for the repayment thereof other than:

- (i) recourse to such borrower for amounts limited to the cash flow or net cash flow from such asset; and/or
- (ii) recourse to such borrower for the purpose only of enabling amounts to be claimed in respect of such indebtedness for borrowed money in an enforcement of any encumbrance given by such borrower over such asset or the income, cash flow or other proceeds deriving therefrom (or given by any shareholder or the like in the borrower over its shares or the like in the capital of the borrower) to secure indebtedness for moneys borrowed, provided that (A) the extent of such recourse to such borrower is limited solely to the amount of any recoveries made on such enforcement, and (B) such person or persons are not entitled, by virtue of any right or claim arising out of or in connection with such indebtedness for moneys borrowed, to commence proceedings for the winding-up or dissolution of the borrower or to appoint or procure the appointment of any receiver, trustee or similar person or officer in respect of the borrower or any of its assets (save for the assets the subject of such encumbrance); and/or
- (iii) recourse to such borrower generally, or directly or indirectly to the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries, under any form of assurance, undertaking or support, which recourse is limited to a claim for damages for breach of an obligation (not being a payment obligation or an obligation to procure payment by another or an indemnity in respect thereof) by the person against whom such recourse is available.

"Subsidiary" means any entity which is for the time being a subsidiary (with the meaning of Section 736 of the Companies Act 1985).

# 5 Interest and other Calculations

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

Each Fixed Rate Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date at the rate per annum (expressed as a percentage) equal to the Rate of Interest, such interest being payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date. The amount of interest payable shall be determined in accordance with Condition 5(h).

# (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 on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date at the rate per annum (expressed as a percentage) equal to the Rate of Interest, such interest being payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date. The amount of interest payable shall be determined in accordance with Condition 5(h). Such Interest Payment Date(s) is/are either shown hereon as Specified Interest Payment Dates or, if no Specified Interest Payment Date(s) is/are shown hereon, "Interest Payment Date" shall mean each date which falls the number of months or other period shown hereon as the Interest Period after the preceding Interest Payment Date or, in the case of the first Interest Payment Date, after the Interest Commencement Date.
- (ii) Business Day Convention: If any date referred to in these Conditions that is specified to be subject to adjustment in accordance with a Business Day Convention would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Business Day, then, if the Business Day Convention specified is (A) the Floating Rate Business Day Convention, such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event (x) such date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day and (y) each subsequent such date shall be the last Business Day of the month in which such date would have fallen had it not been subject to adjustment, (B) the Following Business Day Convention, such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day, (C) the Modified Following Business Day Convention, such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event such date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day or (D) the Preceding Business Day Convention, such date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day.

- (iii) Rate of Interest for Floating Rate Notes: The Rate of Interest in respect of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Accrual Period shall be determined in the manner specified hereon and the provisions below relating to either ISDA Determination or Screen Rate Determination shall apply, depending upon which is specified hereon.
  - (A) ISDA Determination for Floating Rate Notes

Where ISDA Determination is specified hereon as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Accrual Period shall be determined by the Calculation Agent as a rate equal to the relevant ISDA Rate. For the purposes of this sub-paragraph (A), "ISDA Rate" for an Interest Accrual Period means a rate equal to the Floating Rate that would be determined by the Calculation Agent under a Swap Transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the ISDA Definitions and under which:

- (x) the Floating Rate Option is as specified hereon;
- (y) the Designated Maturity is a period specified hereon and
- (z) the relevant Reset Date is the first day of that Interest Accrual Period unless otherwise specified hereon.

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

- (B) Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Notes
  - (x) Where Screen Rate Determination is specified hereon as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Accrual Period will, subject as provided below, be either:
    - (1) the offered quotation; or
    - (2) the arithmetic mean 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 either 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 as determined by the Calculation 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 Calculation Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean of such offered quotations.

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

(y) if the Relevant Screen Page is not available or if, sub-paragraph (x)(1) applies and no such offered quotation appears on the Relevant Screen Page or if sub-paragraph (x)(2) above applies and fewer than three such offered quotations appear on the Relevant Screen Page in each case as at the time specified above, subject as provided below, the Calculation Agent shall request, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, the principal London office of each of the Reference Banks or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, the principal Euro-zone office of each of the Reference Banks, to provide the Calculation Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time), or if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Brussels time) on the Interest Determination Date in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such offered quotations, the Rate of Interest

- for such Interest Accrual Period shall be the arithmetic mean of such offered quotations as determined by the Calculation Agent; and
- if paragraph (y) above applies and the Calculation Agent determines that fewer than (z) two Reference Banks are providing offered quotations, subject as provided below, the Rate of Interest shall be the arithmetic mean of the rates per annum (expressed as a percentage) as communicated to (and at the request of) the Calculation Agent by the Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time) or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Brussels 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, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, the London inter-bank market or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, the Euro-zone inter-bank market, as the case may be, or, if fewer than two of the Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such 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 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, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time) or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Brussels time), on the relevant Interest Determination Date, any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the Trustee and the Issuer suitable for such purpose) informs the Calculation Agent it is quoting to leading banks in, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, the London inter-bank market or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, the Euro-zone inter-bank market, as the case may be, 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 or Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest is to be applied to the relevant Interest Accrual Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Accrual Period, the Margin or Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest relating to the relevant Interest Accrual Period, in place of the Margin or Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest relating to that last preceding Interest Accrual Period).
- (iv) Rate of Interest for Index Linked Interest Notes: The Rate of Interest in respect of Index Linked Interest Notes for each Interest Accrual Period shall be determined in the manner specified hereon and interest will accrue by reference to an Index or Formula as specified hereon.

# (c) Zero Coupon Notes

Where a Note the Interest Basis of which is specified to be Zero Coupon is repayable prior to the Maturity Date and is not paid when due, the amount due and payable prior to the Maturity Date shall be the Early Redemption Amount of such Note. As from the Maturity Date, the Rate of Interest for any overdue principal of such a Note shall be a rate per annum (expressed as a percentage) equal to the Amortisation Yield (as described in Condition 6(b)(i)).

# (d) Dual Currency Notes

In the case of Dual Currency Notes, if the rate or amount of interest falls to be determined by reference to a Rate of Exchange or a method of calculating a Rate of Exchange, the rate or amount of interest payable shall be determined in the manner specified hereon.

# (e) 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 hereon.

# (f) Accrual of Interest

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note on the due date for redemption unless, upon due presentation, payment is improperly withheld or refused, in which event interest shall continue to accrue (as well after as before judgment) at the Rate of Interest in the manner provided in this Condition 5 to the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 8).

# (g) Margin, Maximum/Minimum Rates of Interest, Instalment Amounts and Redemption Amounts and Rounding

- (i) If any Margin is specified hereon (either (x) generally, or (y) in relation to one or more Interest Accrual Periods), an adjustment shall be made to all Rates of Interest, in the case of (x), or the Rates of Interest for the specified Interest Accrual Periods, in the case of (y), calculated in accordance with Condition 5(b) above by adding (if a positive number) or subtracting the absolute value (if a negative number) of such Margin, subject always to the next paragraph.
- (ii) If any Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest, Instalment Amount or Redemption Amount is specified hereon, then any Rate of Interest, Instalment Amount or Redemption Amount shall be subject to such maximum or minimum, as the case may be.
- (iii) For the purposes of any calculations required pursuant to these Conditions (unless otherwise specified), (x) all percentages resulting from such calculations shall be rounded, if necessary, to the nearest one hundred-thousandth of a percentage point (with halves being rounded up), (y) all figures shall be rounded to seven significant figures (with halves being rounded up) and (z) all currency amounts that fall due and payable shall be rounded to the nearest unit of such currency (with halves being rounded up), save in the case of yen, which shall be rounded down to the nearest yen. For these purposes "unit" means the lowest amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country[ies] of such currency.

#### (h) Calculations

The amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount in respect of any Note for any Interest Accrual Period shall be equal to the product of the Rate of Interest, the Calculation Amount specified hereon, and the Day Count Fraction for such Interest Accrual Period, unless an Interest Amount (or a formula for its calculation) is applicable to such Interest Accrual Period, in which case the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount in respect of such Note for such Interest Accrual Period shall equal such Interest Amount (or be calculated in accordance with such formula). Where any Interest Period comprises two or more Interest Accrual Periods, the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount in respect of such Interest Period shall be the sum of the Interest Amounts payable in respect of each of those Interest Accrual Periods. In respect of any other period for which interest is required to be calculated, the provisions above shall apply save that the Day Count Fraction shall be for the period for which interest is required to be calculated. Where the Specified Denomination comprises more than one Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Note shall be the aggregate of the amounts (determined in the manner provided above) for each Calculation Amount comprising the Specified Denomination.

# (i) Determination and Publication of Rates of Interest, Interest Amounts, Final Redemption Amounts, Early Redemption Amounts, Optional Redemption Amounts and Instalment Amounts

The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable on each Interest Determination Date, or such other time on such date as the Calculation Agent may be required to calculate any rate or amount, obtain any quotation or make any determination or calculation, determine such rate and calculate the Interest Amounts for the relevant Interest Accrual Period, calculate the Final Redemption Amount, Early Redemption Amount, Optional Redemption Amount or Instalment Amount, obtain such quotation or make such determination or calculation, as the case may be, and cause the Rate of Interest and the Interest Amounts for each Interest Accrual Period and the relevant Interest Payment Date and, if required to be calculated, the Final Redemption Amount, Early Redemption Amount, Optional Redemption Amount or any Instalment Amount to be notified to the Trustee, the Issuer, each of the Paying Agents, the Noteholders, any other

Calculation Agent appointed in respect of the Notes that is to make a further calculation upon receipt of such information and, if the Notes are listed on a stock exchange and the rules of such exchange or other relevant authority so require, such exchange or other relevant authority as soon as possible after their determination but in no event later than (i) the commencement of the relevant Interest Period, if determined prior to such time, in the case of notification to such exchange of a Rate of Interest and Interest Amount, or (ii) in all other cases, the fourth Business Day after such determination. Where any Interest Payment Date or Interest Period Date is subject to adjustment pursuant to Condition 5(b)(ii), the Interest Amounts and the Interest Payment Date so published may subsequently be amended (or appropriate alternative arrangements made with the consent of the Trustee by way of adjustment) without notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the Interest Period. If the Notes become due and payable under Condition 10, the accrued interest and the Rate of Interest payable in respect of the Notes shall nevertheless continue to be calculated as previously in accordance with this Condition but no publication of the Rate of Interest or the Interest Amount so calculated need be made unless the Trustee otherwise requires. The determination of any rate or amount, the obtaining of each quotation and the making of each determination or calculation by the Calculation Agent(s) shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

# (j) Determination or Calculation by Trustee

If the Calculation Agent does not at any time for any reason determine or calculate the Rate of Interest for an Interest Accrual Period or any Interest Amount, Instalment Amount, Final Redemption Amount, Early Redemption Amount or Optional Redemption Amount, the Trustee shall do so (or shall appoint an agent on its behalf to do so) and such determination or calculation shall be deemed to have been made by the Calculation Agent. In doing so, the Trustee shall apply the foregoing provisions of this Condition, with any necessary consequential amendments, to the extent that, in its opinion, it can do so, and, in all other respects it shall do so in such manner as it shall deem fair and reasonable in all the circumstances.

## (k) Definitions

In these Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, the following defined terms shall have the meanings set out below:

"Business Day" means:

- in the case of a currency other than euro, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the principal financial centre for such currency; and/or
- (ii) in the case of euro, a day on which the TARGET system is operating (a "TARGET Business Day");and/or
- (iii) in the case of a currency and/or one or more Business Centres a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in such currency in the Business Centre(s) or, if no currency is indicated, generally in each of the Business Centres.

"Day Count Fraction" means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest on any Note for any period of time (from and including the first day of such period to but excluding the last) (whether or not constituting an Interest Period or Interest Accrual Period, the "Calculation Period"):

- (i) if "Actual/Actual" or "Actual/Actual ISDA" is specified hereon, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of that Calculation Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (A) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a leap year divided by 366 and (B) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);
- (ii) if "Actual/365 (Fixed)" is specified hereon, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365;
- (iii) if "Actual/360" is specified hereon, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360;

(iv) if "30/360", "360/360" or "Bond Basis" is specified hereon, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

where:

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

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

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

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

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation 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 Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31 and  $D_1$  is greater than 29, in which case  $D_2$  will be 30;

(v) if "30E/360" or "Eurobond Basis" is specified hereon, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

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

where:

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

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

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

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

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation 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 Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case  $D_2$  will be 30;

(vi) if "30E/360 (ISDA)" is specified hereon, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

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

where:

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

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

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

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

"D<sub>1</sub>" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>1</sub> will be 30; and

" $D_2$ " is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Calculation 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; and

- (vii) if "Actual/Actual-ICMA" is specified hereon,
  - if the Calculation Period is equal to or shorter than the Determination Period during which it falls, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year; and
  - (b) if the Calculation Period is longer than one Determination Period, the sum of:
    - (x) the number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the Determination Period in which it begins divided by the product of (1) the number of days in such Determination Period and (2) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year; and
    - (y) the number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the next Determination Period divided by the product of (1) the number of days in such Determination Period and (2) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year,

#### where:

"Determination Date" means the date specified as such hereon or, if none is so specified, the Interest Payment Date; and

"Determination Period" means the period from and including a Determination Date in any year to but excluding the next Determination Date.

"Euro-zone" means the region comprised of member states of the European Union that adopt the single currency in accordance with the Treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

"Interest Accrual Period" means the period beginning on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and ending on (but excluding) the first Interest Period Date and each successive period beginning on (and including) an Interest Period Date and ending on (but excluding) the next succeeding Interest Period Date.

# "Interest Amount" means:

- (i) in respect of an Interest Accrual Period, the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount for that Interest Accrual Period and which, in the case of Fixed Rate Notes, and unless otherwise specified hereon, shall mean the Fixed Coupon Amount or Broken Amount specified hereon as being payable on the Interest Payment Date ending the Interest Period of which such Interest Accrual Period forms part; and
- (ii) in respect of any other period, the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount for that period.

"Interest Commencement Date" means the Issue Date or such other date as may be specified hereon.

"Interest Determination Date" means, with respect to a Rate of Interest and Interest Accrual Period, the date specified as such hereon or, if none is so specified, (i) the first day of such Interest Accrual Period if the Specified Currency is Sterling or (ii) the day falling two Business Days in London for the Specified Currency prior to the first day of such Interest Accrual Period if the Specified Currency is neither Sterling nor euro or (iii) the day falling two TARGET Business Days prior to the first day of such Interest Accrual Period if the Specified Currency is euro.

"Interest Period" means the period beginning on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and ending on (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each successive period beginning on (and including) an Interest Payment Date and ending on (but excluding) the next succeeding Interest Payment Date.

"Interest Period Date" means each Interest Payment Date unless otherwise specified hereon.

"ISDA Definitions" means the 2006 ISDA Definitions, as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., unless otherwise specified hereon.

"Rate of Interest" means the rate of interest payable from time to time in respect of this Note and that is either specified or calculated in accordance with the provisions hereon.

"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 Calculation Agent or as specified hereon.

"Reference Rate" means the rate specified as such hereon.

"Relevant Screen Page" means such page, section, caption, column or other part of a particular information service as may be specified hereon.

"Specified Currency" means the currency specified as such hereon or, if none is specified, the currency in which the Notes are denominated.

"TARGET System" means the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET) System or any successor thereto.

#### (l) Calculation Agent

The Issuer shall procure that there shall at all times be one or more Calculation Agents if provision is made for them hereon and for so long as any Note is outstanding (as defined in the Trust Deed). Where more than one Calculation Agent is appointed in respect of the Notes, references in these Conditions to the Calculation Agent shall be construed as each Calculation Agent performing its respective duties under the Conditions. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or if the Calculation Agent fails duly to establish the Rate of Interest for an Interest Accrual Period or to calculate any Interest Amount, Instalment Amount, Final Redemption Amount, Early Redemption Amount or Optional Redemption Amount, as the case may be, or to comply with any other requirement, the Issuer shall (with the prior approval of the Trustee) appoint a leading bank or investment banking firm engaged in the interbank market (or, if appropriate, money, swap or over-the-counter index options market) that is most closely connected with the calculation or determination to be made by the Calculation Agent (acting through its principal London office or any other office actively involved in such market) to act as such in its place. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been appointed as aforesaid.

# 6 Redemption, Purchase and Options

# (a) Redemption by Instalments and Final Redemption

- (i) Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled as provided in this Condition 6, each Note that provides for Instalment Dates and Instalment Amounts shall be partially redeemed on each Instalment Date at the related Instalment Amount specified hereon. The outstanding nominal amount of each such Note shall be reduced by the Instalment Amount (or, if such Instalment Amount is calculated by reference to a proportion of the nominal amount of such Note, such proportion) for all purposes with effect from the related Instalment Date, unless payment of the Instalment Amount is improperly withheld or refused, in which case, such amount shall remain outstanding until the Relevant Date relating to such Instalment Amount.
- (ii) Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled as provided below, each Note shall be finally redeemed on the Maturity Date specified hereon at its Final Redemption Amount (which, unless

otherwise provided hereon, is its nominal amount) or, in the case of a Note falling within paragraph (i) above, its final Instalment Amount.

#### (b) Early Redemption

- (i) Zero Coupon Notes:
  - (A) The Early Redemption Amount payable in respect of any Zero Coupon Note, the Early Redemption Amount of which is not linked to an index and/or a formula, upon redemption of such Note pursuant to Condition 6(c) or upon it becoming due and payable as provided in Condition 10 shall be the Amortised Face Amount (calculated as provided below) of such Note unless otherwise specified hereon.
  - (B) Subject to the provisions of sub-paragraph (C) below, the Amortised Face Amount of any such Note shall be the scheduled Final Redemption Amount of such Note on the Maturity Date discounted at a rate per annum (expressed as a percentage) equal to the Amortisation Yield (which, if none is shown hereon, shall be such rate as would produce an Amortised Face Amount equal to the issue price of the Notes if they were discounted back to their issue price on the Issue Date) compounded annually.
  - (C) If the Early Redemption Amount payable in respect of any such Note upon its redemption pursuant to Condition 6(c) or upon it becoming due and payable as provided in Condition 10 is not paid when due, the Early Redemption Amount due and payable in respect of such Note shall be the Amortised Face Amount of such Note as defined in sub-paragraph (B) above, except that such sub-paragraph shall have effect as though the date on which the Note becomes due and payable were the Relevant Date. The calculation of the Amortised Face Amount in accordance with this sub-paragraph shall continue to be made (both before and after judgment) until the Relevant Date, unless the Relevant Date falls on or after the Maturity Date, in which case the amount due and payable shall be the scheduled Final Redemption Amount of such Note on the Maturity Date together with any interest that may accrue in accordance with Condition 5(c).

Where such calculation is to be made for a period of less than one year, it shall be made on the basis of the Day Count Fraction shown hereon.

(ii) Other Notes: The Early Redemption Amount payable in respect of any Note (other than Notes described in (i) above), upon redemption of such Note pursuant to Condition 6(c) or upon it becoming due and payable as provided in Condition 10, shall be the Final Redemption Amount unless otherwise specified hereon.

# (c) Redemption for Taxation Reasons

The Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part, on any Interest Payment Date (if this Note is either a Floating Rate Note or an Index Linked Note) or at any time (if this Note is neither a Floating Rate Note nor an Index Linked Note), on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable) at their Early Redemption Amount (as described in Condition 6(b) above) (together with interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption) if immediately prior to the giving of the notice referred to above, as a result of a change in or proposed change in, or amendment or proposed amendment to, the laws or regulations of the United Kingdom or any political subdivision or authority therein or thereof having the power to tax, including any treaty to which the United Kingdom is a party, or any change in the application of official or generally published interpretation of such laws, including a decision of any court or tribunal, or any interpretation or pronouncement by any relevant tax authority that provides for a position with respect to such laws or regulations that differs from the previously generally accepted position in relation to similar transactions which change or amendment (x) (subject to (y)) becomes, or would become, effective on or after the Issue Date of the Notes (the "Tax Law Change Date"), or (y) in the case of a change or proposed change in law, if such change is enacted (or, in the case of a proposed change, is expected to be enacted) by United Kingdom Act of Parliament or by Statutory Instrument, on or after the Tax Law Change Date, in making any payments on, or in connection with, the Notes, the Issuer (or, if the Guarantee were called the Guarantor) has paid or will or would on the next payment date be required to pay Additional Amounts (as defined in Condition 8) on, or in connection with the Notes and the Issuer (or, if the Guarantee were called the Guarantor) cannot avoid the foregoing in connection with the Notes by taking measures reasonably available to it.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition 6(c), the Issuer or, as appropriate, the Guarantor shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two Directors of the Issuer or, as appropriate, the Guarantor stating that the relevant requirement or circumstance referred to above applies and the Trustee shall accept such 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 Trustee, the Noteholders and the Couponholders. Upon expiry of such notice the Issuer shall redeem the Notes as aforesaid.

# (d) Redemption at the Option of the Issuer

If Call Option is specified hereon, the Issuer may, on giving not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' irrevocable notice to the Noteholders (or such other notice period as may be specified hereon) redeem all or, if so provided, some of the Notes on any Optional Redemption Date. Any such redemption of Notes shall be at their Optional Redemption Amount together with interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption. Any such redemption or exercise must relate to Notes of a nominal amount at least equal to the Minimum Redemption Amount to be redeemed specified hereon and no greater than the Maximum Redemption Amount to be redeemed specified hereon.

All Notes in respect of which any such notice is given shall be redeemed on the date specified in such notice in accordance with this Condition.

In the case of a partial redemption the notice to Noteholders shall also contain the certificate numbers of the Bearer Notes, or in the case of Registered Notes shall specify the nominal amount of Registered Notes drawn and the holder(s) of such Registered Notes, to be redeemed, which shall have been drawn in such place as the Trustee may approve and in such manner as it deems appropriate, subject to compliance with any applicable laws and stock exchange or other relevant authority requirements.

# (e) Redemption at the Option of Noteholders

If a Put Option is specified hereon, the Issuer shall, at the option of the holder of any such Note, upon the holder of such Note giving not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice to the Issuer (or such other notice period as may be specified hereon) redeem such Note on the Optional Redemption Date(s) at its Optional Redemption Amount together with interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption.

To exercise such option the holder must deposit (in the case of Bearer Notes) such Note (together with all unmatured Receipts and Coupons and unexchanged Talons) with any Paying Agent or (in the case of Registered Notes) the Certificate representing such Note(s) with the Registrar or any Transfer Agent at its specified office, together with a duly completed option exercise notice ("Exercise Notice") in the form obtainable from any Paying Agent, the Registrar or any Transfer Agent (as applicable) within the notice period. No Note or Certificate so deposited and option exercised may be withdrawn (except as provided in the Agency Agreement) without the prior consent of the Issuer.

# (f) 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 provisions specified hereon.

# (g) Purchases

The Issuer, the Guarantor and any of their Subsidiaries may at any time purchase Notes (provided that all unmatured Receipts and Coupons and unexchanged Talons relating thereto are attached thereto or surrendered therewith) in the open market or otherwise at any price.

As used in this Condition 6(g), "Subsidiary" means any entity which is for the time being a subsidiary (with the meaning of Section 736 of the Companies Act 1985).

#### (h) Cancellation

All Notes purchased by or on behalf of the Issuer, the Guarantor or any of their Subsidiaries may be surrendered for cancellation, in the case of Bearer Notes, by surrendering each such Note together with all unmatured Receipts and Coupons and all unexchanged Talons to the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in the case of Registered Notes, by surrendering the Certificate representing such Notes to the Registrar and, in each case, if so surrendered, shall, together with all Notes redeemed by the Issuer, be cancelled forthwith (together with all unmatured Receipts and Coupons and unexchanged Talons attached thereto or surrendered therewith). Any Notes so surrendered for cancellation may not be reissued or resold and the obligations of the Issuer and the Guarantor in respect of any such Notes shall be discharged.

# (i) Multiple Notices

If more than one notice of redemption is given pursuant to this Condition 6, the first of such notices to be given shall prevail.

# (j) Trustee Not Obliged to Monitor

The Trustee shall not be under any duty to monitor whether any event or circumstance has happened or exists within this Condition 6 and will not be responsible to Noteholders for any loss arising from any failure to do so. Unless and until the Trustee has actual knowledge of the occurrence of any event or circumstance within this Condition 6, it shall be entitled to assume that no such event or circumstance exists.

# 7 Payments and Talons

# (a) Bearer Notes

Payments of principal and interest in respect of Bearer Notes shall, subject as mentioned below, be made against presentation and surrender of the relevant Receipts (in the case of payments of Instalment Amounts other than on the due date for redemption and provided that the Receipt is presented for payment together with its relative Note), Notes (in the case of all other payments of principal and, in the case of interest, as specified in Condition 7(f)(vi)) or Coupons (in the case of interest, save as specified in Condition 7(f)(ii)), as the case may be, at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States by a cheque payable in the relevant currency drawn on, or, at the option of the holder, by transfer to an account denominated in such currency with, a Bank. "Bank" means a bank in the principal financial centre for such currency or, in the case of euro, in a city in which banks have access to the TARGET System.

# (b) Registered Notes

- (i) Payments of principal (which for the purposes of this Condition 7(b) shall include final Instalment Amounts but not other Instalment Amounts) in respect of Registered Notes shall be made against presentation and surrender of the relevant Certificates at the specified office of any of the Transfer Agents or of the Registrar and in the manner provided in paragraph (ii) below.
- (ii) Interest (which for the purpose of this Condition 7(b) shall include all Instalment Amounts other than final Instalment Amounts) on Registered Notes shall be paid to the person shown on the Register at the close of business on the fifteenth day before the due date for payment thereof (the "Record Date"). Payments of interest on each Registered Note shall be made in the relevant currency by cheque drawn on a Bank and mailed to the holder (or to the first named of joint holders) of such Note at its address appearing in the Register. Upon application by the holder to the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent before the Record Date, such payment of interest may be made by transfer to an account in the relevant currency maintained by the payee with a Bank.

#### (c) Payments in the United States

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Bearer Notes are denominated in U.S. dollars, payments in respect thereof may be made at the specified office of any Paying Agent in New York City in the same manner as aforesaid if (i) the Issuer shall have appointed Paying Agents with specified offices outside the United States with the reasonable expectation that such Paying Agents would be able to make payment of the amounts on the Notes in the manner provided above when due, (ii) payment in full of such amounts at all such offices is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions on payment or receipt of such amounts and (iii) such payment is then permitted by United States law, without involving, in the opinion of the Issuer, any adverse tax consequence to the Issuer.

#### (d) Payments subject to Fiscal Laws

All payments are subject in all cases to any applicable fiscal or other laws, regulations and directives, but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 8. No commission or expenses shall be charged to the Noteholders or Couponholders in respect of such payments.

# (e) Appointment of Agents

The Issuing and Paying Agent, the Paying Agents, the Registrar, the Transfer Agents and the Calculation Agent initially appointed by the Issuer and the Guarantor and their respective specified offices are listed below. The Issuing and Paying Agent, the Paying Agents, the Registrar, the Transfer Agents and the Calculation Agent act solely as agents of the Issuer and the Guarantor and do not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any Noteholder or Couponholder. The Issuer and the Guarantor reserve the right at any time with the approval of the Trustee to vary or terminate the appointment of the Issuing and Paying Agent, any other Paying Agent, the Registrar, any Transfer Agent or the Calculation Agent(s) and to appoint additional or other Paying Agents or Transfer Agents, provided that the Issuer shall at all times maintain (i) an Issuing and Paying Agent, (ii) a Registrar in relation to Registered Notes, (iii) a Transfer Agent in relation to Registered Notes, (iv) one or more Calculation Agent(s) where the Conditions so require, (v) a Paying Agent having specified offices in London so long as the Notes are admitted to the Official List of the Financial Services Authority in its capacity as competent authority under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's EEA Regulated Market and (vi) a Paying Agent with a specified office in a European Union member state (so long as there is such a member state) that will not be obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive.

In addition, the Issuer and the Guarantor shall forthwith appoint a Paying Agent in New York City in respect of any Bearer Notes denominated in U.S. dollars in the circumstances described in paragraph (c) above.

Notice of any such change or any change of any specified office shall promptly be given to the Noteholders.

# (f) Unmatured Coupons and Receipts and unexchanged Talons

- (i) Upon the due date for redemption of Bearer Notes which comprise Fixed Rate Notes (other than Dual Currency Notes or Index Linked Notes), such Notes should be surrendered for payment together with all unmatured Coupons (if any) relating thereto, failing which an amount equal to the face value of each missing unmatured Coupon (or, in the case of payment not being made in full, that proportion of the amount of such missing unmatured Coupon that the sum of principal so paid bears to the total principal due) shall be deducted from the Final Redemption Amount, Early Redemption Amount or Optional Redemption Amount, as the case may be, due for payment. Any amount so deducted shall be paid in the manner mentioned above against surrender of such missing Coupon within a period of 10 years from the Relevant Date for the payment of such principal (whether or not such Coupon has become void pursuant to Condition 9).
- (ii) Upon the due date for redemption of any Bearer Note comprising a Floating Rate Note, Dual Currency Interest Note or Index Linked Note, unmatured Coupons relating to such Note (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect of them.

- (iii) Upon the due date for redemption of any Bearer Note, any unexchanged Talon relating to such Note (whether or not attached) shall become void and no Coupon shall be delivered in respect of such Talon.
- (iv) Upon the due date for redemption of any Bearer Note that is redeemable in instalments, all Receipts relating to such Note having an Instalment Date falling on or after such due date (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect of them.
- (v) Where any Bearer Note that provides that the relative unmatured Coupons are to become void upon the due date for redemption of those Notes is presented for redemption without all unmatured Coupons, and where any Bearer Note is presented for redemption without any unexchanged Talon relating to it, redemption shall be made only against the provision of such indemnity as the Issuer may require.
- (vi) If the due date for redemption of any Note is not a due date for payment of interest, interest accrued from the preceding due date for payment of interest or the Interest Commencement Date, as the case may be, shall only be payable against presentation (and surrender if appropriate) of the relevant Bearer Note or Certificate representing it, as the case may be. Interest accrued on a Note that only bears interest after its Maturity Date shall be payable on redemption of such Note against presentation of the relevant Note or Certificate representing it, as the case may be.

# (g) Talons

On or after the Interest Payment Date for the final Coupon forming part of a Coupon sheet issued in respect of any Bearer Note, the Talon forming part of such Coupon sheet may be surrendered at the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent in exchange for a further Coupon sheet (and if necessary another Talon for a further Coupon sheet) (but excluding any Coupons that may have become void pursuant to Condition 9).

# (h) Non-Business Days

If any date for payment in respect of any Note, Receipt or Coupon is not a business day, the holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following business day nor to any interest or other sum in respect of such postponed payment. In this paragraph, "business day" means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business in the relevant place of presentation, in such jurisdictions as shall be specified as "Financial Centres" hereon and:

- (i) (in the case of a payment in a currency other than euro) where payment is to be made by transfer to an account maintained with a bank in the relevant currency, on which foreign exchange transactions may be carried on in the relevant currency in the principal financial centre of the country of such currency; or
- (ii) (in the case of a payment in euro) which is a TARGET Business Day.

#### 8 Taxation

All payments of principal and interest by or on behalf of the Issuer or the Guarantor in respect of the Notes, the Receipts and the Coupons or under the Guarantee shall be made free and clear of, and without withholding or deduction for, any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by or within the United Kingdom or any authority therein or thereof having power to tax, 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 shall result in receipt by the Noteholders and Couponholders 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) Other connection

to, or to a third party on behalf of, a holder who is liable to such taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges in respect of such Note, Receipt or Coupon by reason of his having some connection with the United Kingdom other than the mere holding of the Note, Receipt or Coupon; or

# (b) Lawful avoidance of withholding

to, or to a third party on behalf of, a holder who could lawfully avoid (but has not so avoided) such deduction or withholding by complying or procuring that any third party complies with any statutory requirements or by making or procuring that any third party makes a declaration of non-residence or other similar claim for exemption to any tax authority in the place where the relevant Note (or the Certificate representing it), Receipt or Coupon is presented for payment; or

# (c) Presentation more than 30 days after the Relevant Date

presented (or in respect of which the Certificate representing it is presented) for payment more than 30 days after the Relevant Date (as defined below) except to the extent that the holder of it would have been entitled to such additional amounts on presenting it for payment on the thirtieth day; or

# (d) Payment to individuals

where such withholding or deduction is imposed on a payment to an individual and is required to be made pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive or any agreement between the European Union and any jurisdiction providing for equivalent measures; or

# (e) Payment by another Paying Agent

(except in the case of payment of interest in respect of Registered Notes) presented for payment by or on behalf of a holder who would have been able to avoid such withholding or deduction by presenting the relevant Note, Receipt or Coupon to another Paying Agent (or, in the case of payment of principal in respect of Registered Notes, to the Transfer Agent or, if appropriate, the Registrar) in a Member State of the European Union.

As used in these Conditions, "Relevant Date" in respect of any Note, Receipt or Coupon means the date on which payment in respect of it first becomes due or (if any amount of the money payable is improperly withheld or refused) the date on which payment in full of the amount outstanding is made or (if earlier) the date seven days after that on which notice is duly given to the Noteholders that, upon further presentation of the Note (or relative Certificate), Receipt or Coupon being made in accordance with the Conditions, such payment will be made, provided that payment is in fact made upon such presentation. References in these Conditions to (i) "principal" shall be deemed to include any premium payable in respect of the Notes, all Instalment Amounts, Final Redemption Amounts, Early Redemption Amounts, Optional Redemption Amounts, Amortised Face Amounts and all other amounts in the nature of principal payable pursuant to Condition 6 or any amendment or supplement to it, (ii) "interest" shall be deemed to include all Interest Amounts and all other amounts payable pursuant to Condition 5 or any amendment or supplement to it and (iii) "principal" and/or "interest" shall be deemed to include any additional amounts that may be payable under this Condition or any undertaking given in addition to or in substitution for it under the Trust Deed ("Additional Amounts").

# 9 Prescription

Claims against the Issuer and/or the Guarantor for payment in respect of the Notes, Receipts and Coupons (which, for this purpose, shall not include Talons) shall be prescribed and become void unless made within 10 years (in the case of principal) or five years (in the case of interest) from the appropriate Relevant Date in respect of them.

#### 10 Events of Default

If any of the following events ("Events of Default") occurs, the Trustee at its discretion may, and if so requested by 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 and/or secured to its satisfaction, (but, in the case of the happening of any of the events mentioned in paragraphs (ii), (iv), (v) and (vii) below, only if the Trustee shall have certified in writing that such event is, in its opinion, materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders), give

notice to the Issuer and the Guarantor that the Notes are, and they shall immediately become, due and payable at their Early Redemption Amount together with accrued interest:

- (i) if default is made for a period of 14 days or more in the payment of any interest or principal due in respect of the Notes or any of them; or
- (ii) if default is made by the Issuer or the Guarantor in the performance or observance of any obligation, condition or provision binding upon either of them under the Notes or the Trust Deed (other than any obligation for the payment of any principal or interest in respect of the Notes) and, except where such default is, in the opinion of the Trustee, not capable of remedy when no such continuation or notice as is hereinafter mentioned will be required, such default continues for 30 days (or such longer period as the Trustee may permit) after written notice thereof has been given by the Trustee to the Issuer and the Guarantor requiring the same to be remedied; or
- (iii) if an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the winding-up of, or an administration order is made in relation to, the Issuer or the Guarantor (save, in the case of the Guarantor, with the prior consent of the Trustee or the prior sanction of an Extraordinary Resolution for the purposes of or in connection with an amalgamation, reorganisation or reconstruction or a voluntary solvent winding-up where surplus assets are available for distribution); or
- (iv) if the Issuer or the Guarantor stops or threatens to stop payment to its creditors generally or the Issuer or the Guarantor ceases or threatens through an official action of its board of directors to cease to carry on its business or substantially the whole of its business (except (a), in the case of either the Issuer or Guarantor, for the purposes of, or in connection with, a reconstruction, reorganisation or amalgamation the terms of which have previously been approved in writing by the Trustee or by an Extraordinary Resolution or (b), in the case of the Guarantor only, (x) whereby the undertaking and assets of the Guarantor are transferred or otherwise vested in the Issuer or another of the Issuer's Subsidiaries or (y) in connection with a voluntary winding-up where surplus assets are available for distribution) and, in the case of the Guarantor, such cessation is likely to have a material adverse effect on the ability of the Guarantor to perform its payment obligations in respect of the Notes or under the Trust Deed; or
- (v) if an encumbrancer takes possession or an administrative or other receiver or an administrator is appointed of the whole or any substantial part of the undertaking, property and assets of the Issuer or the Guarantor or if a distress or execution is levied or enforced upon or sued out against the whole or any substantial part of the chattels or property of the Issuer or the Guarantor and, in the case of any of the foregoing events, is not discharged within 60 days or such longer period as the Trustee may allow; or
- (vi) if the Issuer or the Guarantor is unable to pay its debts within the meaning of Section 123(2) of the Insolvency Act 1986; or
- (vii) if any indebtedness for moneys borrowed (as defined below) other than any indebtedness which comprises non-recourse borrowings (as defined in Condition 4) of the Issuer or Guarantor is not paid on its due date (as extended by any applicable grace period and following a demand therefor) or is declared to be, or automatically becomes, due and payable prior to its stated maturity by reason of an event of default, or if any guarantee or indemnity in respect of indebtedness for moneys borrowed of any third party given by the Issuer or the Guarantor is not honoured when due and called upon provided that the aggregate amount of the relevant indebtedness, guarantees and indemnities in respect of which one of the events mentioned above in this paragraph (vii) has occurred is at least the Specified Amount (or its equivalent in any other currency or currencies) and, in any such case, the liability of the Issuer or the Guarantor, as the case may be, to make payment is not being contested in good faith.

For the purposes of these Conditions:

"Adjusted Capital and Reserves" means the aggregate of:

- (i) the amount paid up or credited as paid up on the share capital of the Issuer; and
- (ii) the total of the capital and revenue reserves of the Group, including any share premium account, capital redemption reserve and credit balance on the profit and loss account, but excluding sums set aside for taxation and amounts attributable to minority interests and deducting any debit balance on the profit and loss account,

all as shown in the then latest audited consolidated balance sheet and profit and loss account of the Issuer prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United Kingdom, but adjusted as may be necessary in respect of any variation in the paid up share capital or share premium account of the Issuer since the date of that balance sheet and further adjusted as may be necessary to reflect any change since the date of that balance sheet in the Subsidiaries of the Issuer. A certificate signed by two Directors or other Authorised Signatories (as defined in the Trust Deed) of the Issuer as to the amount of the Adjusted Capital and Reserves at any given time shall, in the absence of manifest error, be conclusive and binding on all parties whether or not addressed to each such party;

"Group" means the Issuer and its Subsidiaries;

"indebtedness for moneys borrowed" means the principal amount of:

- (a) all moneys borrowed; and
- (b) all debentures (together in each case with any fixed or minimum premium payable on final redemption or repayment)

which are not for the time being beneficially owned by the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries; and

"Specified Amount" means the greater of: (a) £25,000,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency or currencies); and (b) such amount in sterling as is equal to 0.5 per cent. of Adjusted Capital and Reserves.

# 11 Meetings of Noteholders, Modification, Waiver and Substitution

# (a) Meetings of Noteholders

The Trust Deed contains provisions for convening meetings of Noteholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the sanctioning by Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Trust Deed) of a modification of any of these Conditions or any provisions of the Trust Deed. Such a meeting may be convened by Noteholders holding not less than 10 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. The quorum for any meeting convened to consider an Extraordinary Resolution shall be one or more persons holding or representing a clear majority 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 held or represented, unless the business of such meeting includes consideration of proposals, inter alia, (i) to amend the dates of maturity or redemption of the Notes, any Instalment Date or any date for payment of interest or Interest Amounts on the Notes, (ii) to reduce or cancel the nominal amount of, or any Instalment Amount of, or any premium payable on redemption of, the Notes, (iii) to reduce the rate or rates of interest in respect of the Notes or to vary the method or basis of calculating the rate or rates or amount of interest or the basis for calculating any Interest Amount in respect of the Notes, (iv) if a Minimum and/or a Maximum Rate of Interest, Instalment Amount or Redemption Amount is shown hereon, to reduce any such Minimum and/or Maximum, (v) to vary any method of, or basis for, calculating the Final Redemption Amount, the Early Redemption Amount or the Optional Redemption Amount, including the method of calculating the Amortised Face Amount, (vi) to vary the currency or currencies of payment or denomination of the Notes (vii) to modify the provisions concerning the quorum required at any meeting of Noteholders or the majority required to pass the Extraordinary Resolution, or (viii) to modify or cancel the Guarantee, in which case the necessary quorum shall be one or more persons holding or representing not less than two-thirds, or at any adjourned meeting not less than one-third, in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. Any Extraordinary Resolution duly passed shall be binding on Noteholders (whether or not they were present at the meeting at which such resolution was passed) and on all Couponholders.

These Conditions may be amended, modified or varied in relation to any Series of Notes by the terms of the relevant Final Terms in relation to such Series.

# (b) Modification of the Trust Deed

The Trustee may agree, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to (i) any modification of any of the provisions of the Trust Deed that is in its opinion of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a manifest error, and (ii) any other modification (except as mentioned in the Trust Deed), and any

waiver or authorisation of any breach or proposed breach, of any of the provisions of the Trust Deed that is in the opinion of the Trustee not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders. Any such modification, authorisation or waiver shall be binding on the Noteholders and the Couponholders and, if the Trustee so requires, such modification shall be notified to the Noteholders as soon as practicable.

#### (c) Substitution

If requested by the Issuer and the Guarantor, the Trustee shall, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, agree with the Issuer and the Guarantor to the substitution (a) in place of the Issuer (or of any previous Substitute Issuer under this Condition) as the principal debtor under the Trust Deed of either (i) the Guarantor or (ii) any other subsidiary or any holding company (each as defined in Section 736 of the Companies Act 1985) of the Issuer or (iii) a successor in business to the Issuer (each a "Substitute Issuer") or (b) in place of the Guarantor (or of any previous Substitute Guarantor under this Condition) as guarantor under the Trust Deed of either (i) a successor in business to the Guarantor or (ii) a subsidiary or holding company (each as defined in Section 736 of the Companies Act 1985) of the Guarantor (each a "Substitute Guarantor" and a Substitute Issuer or a Substitute Guarantor being hereinafter called the "Substitute Obligor") in each case provided that:

- (i) a trust deed is executed or some other form of undertaking is given by the Substitute Obligor in form and manner satisfactory to the Trustee, agreeing to be bound by the terms of the Trust Deed and, in the case of a Substitute Issuer, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons, with any consequential amendments which the Trustee may deem appropriate, as fully as if the relevant Substitute Obligor had been named in the Trust Deed and, in the case of a Substitute Issuer, on the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons, as the principal debtor in place of the Issuer or, as appropriate, as guarantor in place of the Guarantor (or of any previous Substitute Obligor, as the case may be);
- (ii) (unless the Guarantor or the successor in business of the Issuer is the Substitute Issuer) the obligations of the Substitute Issuer under the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons are guaranteed in a form and manner satisfactory to the Trustee by the Guarantor (or the successor in business of the Guarantor) on a basis equivalent to that referred to in Condition 3 and in the Trust Deed;
- (iii) (unless the successor in business of the Guarantor is the Substitute Guarantor or the substitution of the Guarantor is otherwise effected in accordance with paragraphs (vii) to (ix) below) the obligations of the Substitute Guarantor under the Trust Deed are guaranteed in a form and manner satisfactory to the Trustee by the Guarantor (or the successor in business of the Guarantor) on a basis equivalent to that referred to in Condition 3 and in the Trust Deed;
- (iv) if the directors of the Substitute Obligor or other officers acceptable to the Trustee shall certify that the Substitute Obligor is solvent at the time at which the said substitution is proposed to be effected, the Trustee may rely absolutely on such certification and shall, save as provided in paragraph (ix) below, not be bound to have regard to the financial condition, profits or prospects of the Substitute Obligor or to compare the same with those of the Issuer or the Guarantor, as the case may be;
- (v) (without prejudice to the generality of sub-paragraph (i) above) the Trustee may in the event of such substitution agree, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to a change in the law governing the Trust Deed and/or the Notes and/or the Coupons and/or the Talons, provided that such change would not in the opinion of the Trustee be materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders;
- (vi) if the Substitute Obligor is, or becomes, subject generally to the taxing jurisdiction of a territory or any authority of or in that territory with power to tax (the "Substituted Territory") other than the territory of the taxing jurisdiction of which (or to any such authority of or in which) the Issuer is subject generally (the "Issuer's Territory"), or to which the Guarantor is subject generally (the "Guarantor's Territory") the Substitute Obligor will (unless the Trustee otherwise agrees) give to the Trustee an undertaking satisfactory to the Trustee in terms corresponding to Condition 8 with the substitution for the references in that Condition and in Condition 6(c) to the Issuer's Territory or the

- Guarantor's Territory, as the case may be, of references to the Substituted Territory, whereupon the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons, will be read accordingly;
- (vii) (unless the successor in business of the Guarantor is the Substitute Guarantor) in the case of a Substitute Guarantor the ratings assigned to the Notes by each of the Rating Agencies following any substitution are expected to be no less than those assigned to the Notes immediately prior thereto;
- (viii) (unless the successor in business of the Guarantor is the Substitute Guarantor) in the case of a substitution by a Substitute Guarantor, the Notes shall be rated by each of the Rating Agencies both immediately prior to, and following, such substitution; and
- (ix) (unless the successor in business of the Guarantor is the Substitute Guarantor) in the case of a substitution by a holding company of the Guarantor as a Substitute Guarantor, the Trustee is satisfied that simultaneously with or prior to such substitution the obligations of the Guarantor under or in respect of all other Relevant Indebtedness (if any) shall be similarly substituted by obligations of the Substitute Guarantor.

"Rating Agencies" means, in respect of any applicable Tranche of Senior Notes, those rating agencies from whom the Issuer and/or the Guarantor have solicited a rating at the relevant time for the purposes of paragraph (vii) or (viii), as applicable, provided that there shall be at least one such rating agency.

#### (d) Entitlement of the Trustee

In connection with the exercise of its functions (including but not limited to those referred to in this Condition) the Trustee shall have regard to the interests of the Noteholders as a class and shall not have regard to the consequences of such exercise for individual Noteholders or Couponholders and the Trustee shall not be entitled to require, nor shall any Noteholder or Couponholder be entitled to claim, from the Issuer or the Guarantor or any Substitute Obligor any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax consequence of any such exercise upon individual Noteholders or Couponholders.

#### 12 Enforcement

At any time after the Notes become due and payable pursuant to Condition 10, the Trustee may, at its discretion and without further notice, institute such proceedings against the Issuer and/or the Guarantor as it may think fit to enforce the terms of the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Receipts and the Coupons, but it need not take any such proceedings unless (a) it shall have been so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution or so requested in writing by Noteholders holding at least one-fifth in nominal amount of the Notes outstanding, and (b) it shall have been indemnified and/or secured to its satisfaction. No Noteholder, Receiptholder or Couponholder may proceed directly against the Issuer or the Guarantor unless the Trustee, having become bound so to proceed, fails to do so within a reasonable time and such failure is continuing.

# 13 Indemnification of the Trustee

The Trust Deed contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee and for its relief from responsibility. The Trustee is entitled to enter into business transactions with the Issuer, the Guarantor and any entity related to the Issuer or the Guarantor without accounting for any profit.

# 14 Replacement of Notes, Certificates, Receipts, Coupons and Talons

If a Note, Certificate, Receipt, Coupon or Talon is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be replaced, subject to applicable laws, regulations and stock exchange or other relevant authority regulations, at the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent (in the case of Bearer Notes, Receipts, Coupons or Talons) and of the Registrar (in the case of Certificates) or such other Paying Agent or Transfer Agent, as the case may be, as may from time to time be designated by the Issuer for the purpose and notice of whose designation is given to Noteholders, in each case on payment by the claimant of the fees and costs incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence, security and indemnity (which may provide, *inter alia*, that if the allegedly lost, stolen or destroyed Note, Certificate, Receipt, Coupon or Talon is subsequently presented for payment or, as the case may be, for exchange for further Coupons, there shall be paid to the Issuer on demand the amount payable by the Issuer in respect of such

Notes, Certificates, Receipts, Coupons or further Coupons) and otherwise as the Issuer may require. Mutilated or defaced Notes, Certificates, Receipts, Coupons or Talons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

#### 15 Further Issues

The Issuer may from time to time without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders create and issue further securities either having the same terms and conditions as the Notes in all respects (or in all respects except for the first payment of interest on them) and so that such further issue shall be consolidated and form a single series with the outstanding securities of any series (including the Notes) or upon such terms as the Issuer may determine at the time of their issue. References in these Conditions to the Notes include (unless the context requires otherwise) any other securities issued pursuant to this Condition and forming a single series with the Notes. Any further securities forming a single series with the outstanding securities of any series (including the Notes) constituted by the Trust Deed or any deed supplemental to it shall, and any other securities may (with the consent of the Trustee), be constituted by the Trust Deed. The Trust Deed contains provisions for convening a single meeting of the Noteholders and the holders of securities of other series where the Trustee so decides.

#### 16 Notices

Notices to the holders of Registered Notes shall be mailed to them at their respective addresses in the Register and deemed to have been given on the fourth weekday (being a day other than a Saturday or a Sunday) after the date of mailing. Notices to the holders of Bearer Notes shall be valid if published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in London (which is expected to be the *Financial Times*). If in the opinion of the Trustee any such publication is not practicable, notice shall be validly given if published in another leading daily English language newspaper with general circulation in Europe. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given on the date of such publication or, if published more than once or on different dates, on the first date on which publication is made, as provided above.

Couponholders shall be deemed for all purposes to have notice of the contents of any notice given to the holders of Bearer Notes in accordance with this Condition.

# 17 Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

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

#### 18 Governing Law

The Trust Deed, the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons and the Talons are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law.

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE DATED TIER 2 NOTES

The following is the text of the terms and conditions that, subject to completion and amendment and as supplemented or varied in accordance with the provisions of Part A of the relevant Final Terms and, if applicable, subject to any amendment or supplement set out in any applicable Supplemental Prospectus, shall be applicable to the Dated Tier 2 Notes in definitive form (if any) issued in exchange for the Global Note(s) or Certificate(s) representing each Series of Dated Tier 2 Notes. The full text of these terms and conditions together with the relevant provisions of Part A of the Final Terms and, if applicable, the relevant provisions of any applicable Supplemental Prospectus, shall be endorsed on such Bearer Notes or on the Certificates relating to such Registered Notes. Accordingly, references in these terms and conditions to provisions specified hereon shall be to the provisions endorsed on the face of the relevant Note or set out in Part A of the relevant Final Terms and, if applicable, Supplemental Prospectus. All capitalised terms that are not defined in these Conditions will have the meanings given to them in Part A of the relevant Final Terms. Those definitions will be endorsed on the definitive Notes or Certificates, as the case may be. References in the Conditions to "Notes" are to the Dated Tier 2 Notes of one Series only, not to all Notes that may be issued under the Programme.

The Notes are constituted by a Trust Deed (as amended or supplemented as at the date of issue of the Notes (the "Issue Date"), the "Trust Deed") dated 27 November 2007 between Aviva plc (the "Issuer"), Aviva International Insurance Limited and the Law Debenture Trust Corporation p.l.c. (the "Trustee", which expression shall include all persons for the time being the trustee or trustees under the Trust Deed) as trustee for the Noteholders (as defined below). These terms and conditions include summaries of, and are subject to, the detailed provisions of the Trust Deed, which includes the form of the Bearer Notes, Certificates, Coupons and Talons referred to below. An Agency Agreement dated 27 November 2007 (as amended or supplemented as at the Issue Date, the "Agency Agreement") has been entered into in relation to the Notes between the Issuer, Aviva International Insurance Limited, the Trustee, HSBC Bank plc as initial issuing and paying agent and the other agents named in it. The issuing and paying agent, the paying agents, the registrar, the transfer agents and the calculation agent(s) for the time being (if any) are referred to below respectively as the "Issuing and Paying Agent", the "Paying Agents" (which expression shall include the Issuing and Paying Agent), the "Registrar", the "Transfer Agents" (which expression shall include the Registrar) and the "Calculation Agent(s)". Copies of the Trust Deed and the Agency Agreement are available for inspection during usual business hours at the principal office of the Trustee (presently at Fifth Floor, 100 Wood Street, London EC2V 7EX, United Kingdom) and at the specified offices of the Paying Agents and the Transfer Agents.

The Noteholders and the holders of the interest coupons (the "Coupons") relating to interest bearing Notes in bearer form and, where applicable, in the case of such Notes, talons for further Coupons (the "Talons") (the "Couponholders") are entitled to the benefit of, are bound by, and are deemed to have notice of, all the provisions of the Trust Deed and are deemed to have notice of those provisions applicable to them of the Agency Agreement.

As used in these Conditions, "Tranche" means Notes which are identical in all respects.

### 1 Form, Denomination and Title

The Notes are issued in bearer form ("Bearer Notes") or in registered form ("Registered Notes") in each case in the Specified Denomination(s) shown hereon provided that in the case of any Notes which are to be 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 (Directive 2003/71/EC), the minimum Specified Denomination shall be €50,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency as at the date of issue of the relevant Notes).

All Registered Notes shall have the same Specified Denomination.

This Note is a Fixed Rate Note or a Floating Rate Note or a combination of the foregoing or any other kind of Note, depending upon the Interest Basis shown hereon.

Bearer Notes are serially numbered and are issued with Coupons (and, where appropriate, a Talon) attached.

Registered Notes are represented by registered certificates ("Certificates") and, save as provided in Condition 2(b), each Certificate shall represent the entire holding of Registered Notes by the same holder.

Title to the Bearer Notes and the Coupons and Talons shall pass by delivery. Title to the Registered Notes shall pass upon registration in the register that the Issuer shall procure to be kept by the Registrar in accordance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement (the "Register"). Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the holder (as defined below) of any Note, Coupon or Talon shall be deemed to be and may be

treated as its absolute owner for all purposes whether or not it is overdue and regardless of any notice of ownership, trust or an interest in it, any writing on it (or on the Certificate representing it) or its theft or loss (or that of the related Certificate) and no person shall be liable for so treating the holder.

In these Conditions, "Noteholder" means the bearer of any Bearer Note or the person in whose name a Registered Note is registered (as the case may be), "holder" (in relation to a Note, Coupon or Talon) means the bearer of any Bearer Note, Coupon or Talon or the person in whose name a Registered Note is registered (as the case may be) and capitalised terms have the meanings given to them hereon, the absence of any such meaning indicating that such term is not applicable to the Notes.

# 2 Transfers of Registered Notes

# (a) Transfer of Registered Notes

One or more Registered Notes may be transferred upon the surrender (at the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent) of the Certificate representing such Registered Notes to be transferred, together with the form of transfer (as set out in Schedule 1 of the Trust Deed) endorsed on such Certificate (or another form of transfer substantially in the same form and containing the same representations and certifications (if any), unless otherwise agreed by the Issuer), duly completed and executed and any other evidence as the Registrar or Transfer Agent may reasonably require. In the case of a transfer of part only of a holding of Registered Notes represented by one Certificate, a new Certificate shall be issued to the transferee in respect of the part transferred and a further new Certificate in respect of the balance of the holding not transferred shall be issued to the transferor. All transfers of Notes and entries on the Register will be made subject to the detailed regulations concerning transfers of Notes scheduled to the Agency Agreement. The regulations may be changed by the Issuer, with the prior written approval of the Registrar and the Trustee. A copy of the current regulations will be made available by the Registrar to any Noteholder upon request.

#### (b) Exercise of Options or Partial Redemption in Respect of Registered Notes

In the case of an exercise of an Issuer's or Noteholder's option in respect of a holding of Registered Notes represented by a single Certificate or a partial redemption of a holding of Registered Notes represented by a single Certificate, a new Certificate shall be issued to the holder to reflect the exercise of such option or in respect of the balance of the holding not redeemed. In the case of a partial exercise of an option resulting in Registered Notes of the same holding having different terms, separate Certificates shall be issued in respect of those Notes of that holding that have the same terms. New Certificates shall only be issued against surrender of the existing Certificates to the Registrar or any Transfer Agent. In the case of a transfer of Registered Notes to a person who is already a holder of Registered Notes, a new Certificate representing the enlarged holding shall only be issued against surrender of the Certificate representing the existing holding.

#### (c) Delivery of New Certificates

Each new Certificate to be issued pursuant to Conditions 2(a) or (b) shall be available for delivery within three business days of receipt of the form of transfer and surrender of the Certificate for exchange. Delivery of the new Certificate(s) shall be made at the specified office of the Transfer Agent or of the Registrar (as the case may be) to whom delivery or surrender of such form of transfer, Exercise Notice or Certificate shall have been made or, at the option of the holder making such delivery or surrender as aforesaid and as specified in the relevant form of transfer, Exercise Notice or otherwise in writing, be mailed by uninsured post at the risk of the holder entitled to the new Certificate to such address as may be so specified, unless such holder requests otherwise and pays in advance to the relevant Transfer Agent the costs of such other method of delivery and/or such insurance as it may specify. In this Condition 2(c), "business day" means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which banks are open for business in the place of the specified office of the relevant Transfer Agent or the Registrar (as the case may be).

# (d) Transfer Free of Charge

Transfer of Notes and Certificates on registration, transfer, exercise of an option or partial redemption shall be effected without charge by or on behalf of the Issuer, the Registrar or the Transfer Agents, but upon payment of any tax or other governmental charges by the person submitting such Notes or Certificates that

may be imposed in relation to it (or the giving of such indemnity as the Registrar or the relevant Transfer Agent may require).

#### (e) Closed Periods

No Noteholder may require the transfer of a Registered Note to be registered (i) during the period of 15 days ending on the due date for redemption of that Note, (ii) during the period of 15 days prior to any date on which Notes may be called for redemption by the Issuer at its option pursuant to Condition 6(d), (iii) after any such Note has been called for redemption or (iv) during the period of seven days ending on (and including) any Record Date.

#### 3 Status

# (a) General

The Notes and the Coupons relating to them constitute direct, unsecured and subordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* and without any preference among themselves. In the event of the winding-up of the Issuer or the appointment of an administrator of the Issuer where the administrator has given notice that it intends to declare and distribute a dividend, the payment obligations of the Issuer under or arising from the Notes and the Coupons relating to them and the Trust Deed shall be subordinated in the manner provided in the Trust Deed to the claims of all Senior Creditors (as defined in Condition 18) of the Issuer, but shall rank at least *pari passu* with all other obligations of the Issuer which constitute, or would but for any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital, constitute Lower Tier 2 Capital and in priority to those whose claims constitute, or would but for any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital, constitute Upper Tier 2 Capital or Tier 1 Capital and to the claims of holders of all classes of share capital of the Issuer.

# (b) Set-off, etc.

Subject to applicable law, no holder of the Notes and the Coupons relating to them may exercise, claim or plead any right of set-off, compensation or retention in respect of any amount owed to it by the Issuer arising under or in connection with the Notes and the Coupons relating to them and each holder of the Notes and the Coupons relating to them shall, by virtue of being the holder of any Note or Coupon, be deemed to have waived all such rights of set-off, compensation or retention. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, if any of the amounts owing to any holder of the Notes or Coupons relating to them by the Issuer is discharged by set-off, such holder shall, subject to applicable law, immediately pay an amount equal to the amount of such discharge to the Issuer or, in the event of its winding-up or administration, the liquidator or administrator, as appropriate of the Issuer for payment to the Senior Creditors in respect of amounts owing to them by the Issuer, and, until such time as payment is made, shall hold an amount equal to such amount in trust for the Issuer, or the liquidator or administrator, as appropriate of the Issuer (as the case may be), for payment to the Senior Creditors in respect of amounts owing to them by the Issuer and accordingly any such discharge shall be deemed not to have taken place.

As used in this Condition 3, the expression "obligations" includes any direct or indirect obligations of the Issuer and whether by way of guarantee, indemnity, other contractual support arrangement or otherwise and regardless of name or designation.

On a winding-up of the Issuer, there may be no surplus assets available to meet the claims of the Noteholders after the claims of the parties ranking senior to the Noteholders (as provided in Condition 3) have been satisfied.

#### 4 Interest and other Calculations

# (a) Interest on Fixed Rate Notes

Subject, in the case of Option B Notes (as defined below), to Condition 5, each Fixed Rate Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date at the rate per annum (expressed as a percentage) equal to the Rate of Interest, such interest being payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date. The amount of interest payable shall be determined in accordance with Condition 4(d).

# (b) Interest on Floating Rate Notes

# (i) Interest Payment Dates

Subject, in the case of Option B Notes (as defined below), to Condition 5, each Floating Rate Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date at the rate per annum (expressed as a percentage) equal to the Rate of Interest, such interest being payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date. The amount of interest payable shall be determined in accordance with Condition 4(d). Such Interest Payment Date(s) is/are either shown hereon as Specified Interest Payment Dates or, if no Specified Interest Payment Date(s) is/are shown hereon, Interest Payment Date shall mean each date which falls the number of months or other period shown hereon as the Specified Period after the preceding Interest Payment Date or, in the case of the first Interest Payment Date, after the Interest Commencement Date.

# (ii) Business Day Convention

If any date referred to in these Conditions that is specified to be subject to adjustment in accordance with a Business Day Convention would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Business Day, then, if the Business Day Convention specified is (A) the Floating Rate Business Day Convention, such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event (x) such date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day and (y) each such subsequent date shall be the last Business Day of the month in which such date would have fallen had it not been subject to adjustment, (B) the Following Business Day Convention, such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day, (C) the Modified Following Business Day Convention, such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event such date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day Convention, such date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day.

#### (iii) Rate of Interest for Floating Rate Notes

The Rate of Interest in respect of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Accrual Period shall be determined in the manner specified hereon and the provisions below relating to either ISDA Determination or Screen Rate Determination shall apply, depending upon which is specified hereon.

#### (A) ISDA Determination for Floating Rate Notes

Where ISDA Determination is specified hereon as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Accrual Period shall be determined by the Calculation Agent as a rate equal to the relevant ISDA Rate. For the purposes of this sub-paragraph (A), "ISDA Rate" for an Interest Accrual Period means a rate equal to the Floating Rate that would be determined by the Calculation Agent under a Swap Transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the ISDA Definitions and under which:

- (x) the Floating Rate Option is as specified hereon;
- (y) the Designated Maturity is a period specified hereon; and
- (z) the relevant Reset Date is the first day of that Interest Accrual Period unless otherwise specified hereon.

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

# (B) Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Notes

- (x) Where Screen Rate Determination is specified hereon as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Accrual Period will, subject as provided below, be either:
  - (1) the offered quotation; or

#### (2) the arithmetic mean 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 as determined by the Calculation 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 Calculation Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean of such offered quotations.

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.

- (y) If the Relevant Screen Page is not available, or if sub-paragraph (x)(1) applies and no such offered quotation appears on the Relevant Screen Page, or if sub-paragraph (x)(2) above applies and fewer than three such offered quotations appear on the Relevant Screen Page in each case as at the time specified above, subject as provided below, the Calculation Agent shall request, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, the principal London office of each of the Reference Banks or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, the principal Euro-zone office of each of the Reference Banks, to provide the Calculation Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time), or if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Brussels time) on the Interest Determination Date in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such offered quotations, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be the arithmetic mean of such offered quotations as determined by the Calculation Agent.
- If paragraph (y) above applies and the Calculation Agent determines that fewer than (z) two Reference Banks are providing offered quotations, subject as provided below, the Rate of Interest shall be the arithmetic mean of the rates per annum (expressed as a percentage) as communicated to (and at the request of) the Calculation Agent by the Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time) or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Brussels 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, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, the London inter-bank market or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, the Euro-zone inter-bank market, as the case may be, or, if fewer than two of the Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such 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 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, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time) or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Brussels time), on the relevant Interest Determination Date, any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the Trustee and the Issuer suitable for such purpose) informs the Calculation Agent it is quoting to leading banks in, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, the London inter-bank market or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, the Euro-zone inter-bank market, as the case may be, 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 or Maximum or Minimum Rate of

Interest is to be applied to the relevant Interest Accrual Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Accrual Period, the Margin or Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest relating to the relevant Interest Accrual Period, in place of the Margin or Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest relating to that last preceding Interest Accrual Period).

# (c) Margin, Maximum/Minimum Rates of Interest and Final Redemption Amount and Rounding

- (i) If any Margin is specified hereon (either (x) generally, or (y) in relation to one or more Interest Accrual Periods), an adjustment shall be made to all Rates of Interest, in the case of (x), or the Rates of Interest for the specified Interest Accrual Periods, in the case of (y), calculated in accordance with Condition 4(b) above by adding (if a positive number) or subtracting the absolute value (if a negative number) of such Margin, subject always to the next paragraph.
- (ii) If any Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest or Final Redemption Amount is specified hereon, then any Rate of Interest or Final Redemption Amount shall be subject to such maximum or minimum, as the case may be.
- (iii) For the purposes of any calculations required pursuant to these Conditions (unless otherwise specified), (x) all percentages resulting from such calculations shall be rounded, if necessary, to the nearest one hundred-thousandth of a percentage point (with halves being rounded up), (y) all figures shall be rounded to seven significant figures (with halves being rounded up) and (z) all currency amounts that fall due and payable shall be rounded to the nearest unit of such currency (with halves being rounded up), save in the case of yen, which shall be rounded down to the nearest yen. For these purposes "unit" means the lowest amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country[ies] of such currency.

# (d) Calculations

The amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount in respect of any Note for any Interest Accrual Period shall be equal to the product of the Rate of Interest, the Calculation Amount specified hereon, and the Day Count Fraction for such Interest Accrual Period, unless an Interest Amount (or a formula for its calculation) is applicable to such Interest Accrual Period, in which case the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount in respect of such Note for such Interest Accrual Period shall equal such Interest Amount (or be calculated in accordance with such formula). Where any Interest Period comprises two or more Interest Accrual Periods, the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount in respect of such Interest Period shall be the sum of the Interest Amounts payable in respect of each of those Interest Accrual Periods. In respect of any other period for which interest is required to be calculated, the provisions above shall apply save that the Day Count Fraction shall be for the period for which interest is required to be calculated. Where the Specified Denomination comprises more than one Calculation Amount, the amount of such Note shall be the aggregate of the amounts (determined in the manner provided above) for each Calculation Amount comprising the Specified Denomination.

# (e) Determination and Publication of Rates of Interest, Interest Amounts and Final Redemption Amount and Prices

The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable on each Interest Determination Date, or such other time on such date as the Calculation Agent may be required to calculate any rate or amount, obtain any quotation or make any determination or calculation, determine such rate and calculate the Interest Amounts for the relevant Interest Accrual Period, calculate the Final Redemption Amount, Optional Redemption Amount or Capital Disqualification Redemption Price, obtain such quotation or make such determination or calculation, as the case may be, and cause the Rate of Interest and the Interest Amounts for each Interest Accrual Period and the relevant Interest Payment Date and, if required to be calculated, the Final Redemption Amount, Optional Redemption Amount or Capital Disqualification Redemption Price, to be notified to the Trustee, the Issuer, each of the Paying Agents, the Noteholders, any other Calculation Agent appointed in respect of the Notes that is to make a further calculation upon receipt of such information and, if the Notes are listed on a stock exchange and the rules of such exchange or other relevant authority so require, such exchange or other relevant authority as soon as possible after their determination but in no

event later than (i) the commencement of the relevant Interest Period, if determined prior to such time, in the case of notification to such exchange of a Rate of Interest and Interest Amount, or (ii) in all other cases, the fourth Business Day after such determination. Where any Interest Payment Date or Interest Period Date is subject to adjustment pursuant to Condition 4(b)(ii), the Interest Amounts and the Interest Payment Date so published may subsequently be amended (or appropriate alternative arrangements made with the consent of the Trustee by way of adjustment) without notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the Interest Period. If the Notes become due and payable under Condition 10, the accrued interest and the Rate of Interest payable in respect of the Notes shall nevertheless continue to be calculated as previously in accordance with this Condition but no publication of the Rate of Interest or the Interest Amount so calculated need be made unless the Trustee otherwise requires. The determination of any rate or amount, the obtaining of each quotation and the making of each determination or calculation by the Calculation Agent(s) shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

#### (f) Determination or Calculation by Trustee

If the Calculation Agent does not at any time for any reason determine or calculate the Rate of Interest for an Interest Accrual Period or any Interest Amount, Final Redemption Amount, Optional Redemption Amount or Capital Disqualification Redemption Price the Trustee shall do so (or shall appoint an agent on its behalf to do so) and such determination or calculation shall be deemed to have been made by the Calculation Agent. In doing so, the Trustee shall apply the foregoing provisions of this Condition, with any necessary consequential amendments, to the extent that, in its opinion, it can do so, and, in all other respects it shall do so in such manner as it shall deem fair and reasonable in all the circumstances.

#### (g) Definitions

In these Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, the following defined terms shall have the meanings set out below:

"Business Day" means:

- (i) in the case of a currency other than euro, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the principal financial centre for such currency and/or
- (ii) in the case of euro, a day on which the TARGET system is operating (a "TARGET Business Day") and/or
- (iii) in the case of a currency and/or one or more Additional Business Centres a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in such currency in the Additional Business Centre(s) or, if no currency is indicated, generally in each of the Additional Business Centres.

"Day Count Fraction" means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest on any Note for any period of time (from and including the first day of such period to but excluding the last) (whether or not constituting an Interest Period or Interest Accrual Period, the "Calculation Period"):

- (i) if "Actual/Actual" or "Actual/Actual ISDA" is specified hereon, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of that Calculation Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (A) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a leap year divided by 366 and (B) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);
- (ii) if "Actual/365 (Fixed)" is specified hereon, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365;
- (iii) if "Actual/360" is specified hereon, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360;

(iv) if "30/360", "360/360" or "Bond Basis" is specified hereon, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

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

where:

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

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

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

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

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation 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 Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31 and  $D_1$  is greater than 29, in which case  $D_2$  will be 30;

(v) if "30E/360" or "Eurobond Basis" is specified hereon, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

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

where:

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

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

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

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

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation 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 Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case  $D_2$  will be 30;

(vi) if "30E/360 (ISDA)" is specified hereon, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

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

where:

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

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

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

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

"D<sub>1</sub>" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>1</sub> will be 30; and

"D<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Calculation 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<sub>2</sub> will be 30; and

- (vii) if "Actual/Actual-ICMA" is specified hereon,
- (a) if the Calculation Period is equal to or shorter than the Determination Period during which it falls, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year and
- (b) if the Calculation Period is longer than one Determination Period, the sum of:
  - (x) the number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the Determination Period in which it begins divided by the product of (1) the number of days in such Determination Period and (2) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year and
  - (y) the number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the next Determination Period divided by the product of (1) the number of days in such Determination Period and (2) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year,

where:

"Determination Date" means the date specified as such hereon or, if none is so specified, the Interest Payment Date; and

"Determination Period" means the period from and including a Determination Date in any year to but excluding the next Determination Date.

"Euro-zone" means the region comprised of member states of the European Union that adopt the single currency in accordance with the Treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

"Interest Accrual Period" means the period beginning on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and ending on (but excluding) the first Interest Period Date and each successive period beginning on (and including) an Interest Period Date and ending on (but excluding) the next succeeding Interest Period Date.

"Interest Amount" means, in respect of an Interest Accrual Period, the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount for that Interest Accrual Period and which, in the case of Fixed Rate Notes, and unless otherwise specified hereon, shall mean the Fixed Coupon Amount or Broken Amount specified hereon as being payable on the Interest Payment Date ending the Interest Period of which such Interest Accrual Period forms part; and, in respect of any other period, the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount for that period.

"Interest Commencement Date" means the Issue Date or such other date as may be specified hereon.

"Interest Determination Date" means, with respect to a Rate of Interest and Interest Accrual Period, the date specified as such hereon or, if none is so specified, (i) the first day of such Interest Accrual Period if the Specified Currency is sterling or (ii) the day falling two Business Days in London prior to the first day of such Interest Accrual Period if the Specified Currency is neither sterling nor euro or (iii) the day falling two TARGET Business Days prior to the first day of such Interest Accrual Period if the Specified Currency is euro.

"Interest Period" means the period beginning on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and ending on (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each successive period beginning on (and including) an Interest Payment Date and ending on (but excluding) the next succeeding Interest Payment Date.

"Interest Period Date" means each Interest Payment Date unless otherwise specified hereon.

"ISDA Definitions" means the 2006 ISDA Definitions as amended or supplemented, as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. unless otherwise specified hereon.

"Rate of Interest" means the rate of interest payable from time to time in respect of this Note and that is either specified or calculated in accordance with the provisions hereon.

"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 Calculation Agent or as specified hereon.

"Reference Rate" means the rate specified as such hereon.

"Relevant Screen Page" means such page, section, caption, column or other part of a particular information service as may be specified hereon.

"Specified Currency" means the currency specified as such hereon or, if none is specified, the currency in which the Notes are denominated.

"TARGET System" means the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET) System or any successor thereto.

#### (h) Calculation Agent

The Issuer shall procure that there shall at all times be one or more Calculation Agents if provision is made for them hereon and for so long as any Note is outstanding (as defined in the Trust Deed). Where more than one Calculation Agent is appointed in respect of the Notes, references in these Conditions to the Calculation Agent shall be construed as each Calculation Agent performing its respective duties under the Conditions. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or if the Calculation Agent fails duly to establish the Rate of Interest for an Interest Period or Interest Accrual Period or to calculate any Interest Amount, Final Redemption Amount, Optional Redemption Amount or Capital Disqualification Redemption Price, as the case may be, or to comply with any other requirement, the Issuer shall (with the prior approval of the Trustee) appoint a leading bank or investment banking firm engaged in the interbank market (or, if appropriate, money, swap or over-the-counter index options market) that is most closely connected with the calculation or determination to be made by the Calculation Agent (acting through its principal London office or any other office actively involved in such market) to act as such in its place. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been appointed as aforesaid.

# 5 Deferral of Payments

# (a) Optional Deferral of Interest – Option A Notes

The Issuer may not defer any payment of interest with respect to the Option A Notes (being those Notes that specify their status as Option A Notes).

### (b) Optional Deferral of Interest – Option B Notes

The Issuer has no obligation to pay any Interest Payment on any Optional Interest Payment Date so long as it exercises its right to defer any Interest Payment in accordance with Condition 5(b). This is the result of the Issuer having the right to defer any Interest Payment otherwise scheduled to be paid on an Optional Interest Payment Date pursuant to Condition 5(b).

The Issuer may on any Optional Interest Payment Date, defer payment of interest on the Option B Notes (being those Notes that specify their status as Option B Notes) which would otherwise be payable on such date.

The deferral of any interest payment on any Optional Interest Payment Date in accordance with this Condition 5(b) will not constitute a default by the Issuer and will not give Noteholders or the Trustee any right to accelerate the Notes. The Issuer shall notify the Trustee and the Noteholders as soon as practicable (and in any event within 14 business days) prior to any Optional Interest Payment Date in respect of which payment is deferred of the amount of such payment otherwise due on that date and the grounds upon which such deferral has been made (the "Deferral Notice"). Subject to Condition 5(c), the Issuer may defer paying

interest on each Optional Interest Payment Date until the Maturity Date or any earlier date on which the Option B Notes are redeemed in full.

# (c) Arrears of Interest

Any interest in respect of the Option B Notes not paid on an Interest Payment Date, together with any other interest in respect thereof not paid on any earlier Interest Payment Date, in each case by virtue of Condition 5(b), shall, so long as the same remains unpaid, constitute "Arrears of Interest". Any Arrears of Interest and any other amount, payment of which is deferred in accordance with Condition 5(b), may be paid in whole or in part at any time upon the expiry of not less than 14 days' notice to such effect given by the Issuer to the Trustee and to the holders of the Option B Notes in accordance with Condition 16 (the "Optional Deferred Interest Payment Date"), and in any event will automatically become immediately due and payable (without the requirement of any prior written notice to, or absence of objection from, the FSA) in whole upon the earlier of the following dates:

- (i) the date on which the Issuer or any other person declares or pays any distribution or dividend or makes any other payment on any Junior Securities or Parity Securities, save where the Issuer is not able to defer, pass or eliminate or continue to defer, pass or eliminate a dividend or other distribution or any other payment in accordance with the terms and conditions of those Junior Securities or Parity Securities;
- (ii) the date on which the Issuer notifies the Trustee that no Regulatory Intervention that has occurred is or will be continuing on such date unless the Issuer is otherwise entitled to defer at such time by virtue of Condition 5(b);
- (iii) the date on which the Issuer commences and does not abandon a public offer to redeem, purchase or acquire any Junior Securities or Parity Securities;
- (iv) the date on which an order is made or a resolution is passed for the winding-up of the Issuer (other than a solvent winding-up solely for the purposes of a reconstruction or amalgamation or the substitution in place of the Issuer of a successor in business of the Issuer, the terms of which reconstruction, amalgamation or substitution (i) have previously been approved in writing by the Trustee or by an Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Trust Deed) and (ii) do not provide that the Notes shall thereby become payable); or
- (v) the date fixed for any redemption or purchase of Notes by or on behalf of the Issuer pursuant to Condition 6 or Condition 10(a).

# (d) No default

Notwithstanding any other provision in these Conditions or the Trust Deed, any payment which for the time being is not made on Option B Notes by virtue of Condition 5(b), as appropriate, shall not constitute a default for any purpose (including, but without limitation, Condition 10) on the part of the Issuer. Arrears of Interest and any other amount, payment of which is so deferred, shall not themselves bear interest.

# 6 Redemption, Substitution, Variation, Purchase and Options

#### (a) Redemption

Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled as provided below or its maturity is extended pursuant to any Issuer's option, each Note shall be finally redeemed on the Maturity Date specified hereon at its Final Redemption Amount (which, unless otherwise provided hereon, is its nominal amount), together with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption in accordance with these Conditions and any Arrears of Interest. If so specified hereon, the Issuer may give notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in accordance with Condition 16, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable) not less than 30 days prior to the Maturity Date of the Extended Maturity Date and thereafter all references herein to the Maturity Date shall be deemed to be to such Extended Maturity Date.

#### (b) Conditions to Redemption, Substitution, Variation or Purchase

Any redemption, substitution, variation or purchase of the Notes is (i) (except in the case of redemption on the Maturity Date) subject to the Issuer giving at least six months' prior written notice to, and receiving no objection from or in the case of any redemption, substitution or variation of the terms of the Notes prior to the fifth anniversary of the Issue Date of the Notes, receiving a waiver from, the FSA (or such other period of notice as the FSA may from time to time require or accept and, in any event, provided that any such notice is required to be given), (ii) subject to the Issuer (both at the time of, and immediately following, the redemption, substitution, variation or purchase) being in compliance with the capital resources requirements applicable to it from time to time (and a certificate from any two Directors confirming such compliance shall be conclusive evidence of such compliance) and (iii) conditional on all Arrears of Interest and interest accrued (if any) being satisfied in full on or prior to the date thereof.

#### (c) Redemption, Substitution or Variation Due to Taxation

If immediately prior to the giving of the notice referred to below:

- as a result of a change in or proposed change in, or amendment or proposed amendment to, the laws or regulations of the United Kingdom or any political subdivision or authority therein or thereof having the power to tax, including any treaty to which the United Kingdom is a party, or any change in the application of official or generally published interpretation of such laws, including a decision of any court or tribunal, or any interpretation or pronouncement by any relevant tax authority that provides for a position with respect to such laws or regulations that differs from the previously generally accepted position in relation to similar transactions (in respect of securities similar to the Notes and which are capable of constituting Lower Tier 2 Capital) or which differs from any specific written confirmation given by a tax authority in respect of the Notes, which change or amendment (x) (subject to (y)) becomes, or would become, effective on or after the Issue Date of the Notes (the "Tax Law Change Date"), or (y) in the case of a change or proposed change in law if such change is enacted (or, in the case of a proposed change, is expected to be enacted) by United Kingdom Act of Parliament or by Statutory Instrument, on or after the Tax Law Change Date (a "Tax Law Change"), in making any payments on the Notes, the Issuer has paid or will or would on the next payment date be required to pay Additional Amounts (as defined in Condition 8) on the Notes and the Issuer cannot avoid the foregoing in connection with the Notes by taking measures reasonably available to it; or
- (ii) as a result of a Tax Law Change in respect of the Issuer's obligation to make any payment of interest on the next following Interest Payment Date, (x) the Issuer would not be entitled to claim a deduction in respect of computing its taxation liabilities in the United Kingdom, or such entitlement is materially reduced; (y) the Issuer would not to any material extent be entitled to have such deduction set against the profits of companies with which it is grouped for applicable United Kingdom tax purposes (whether under the group relief system current as at the Tax Law Change Date or any similar system or systems having like effect as may from time to time exist); or (z) the Issuer would otherwise suffer adverse tax consequences, and in each such case the Issuer cannot avoid the foregoing in connection with the Notes by taking measures reasonably available to it, then:
- (aa) the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b) and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in accordance with Condition 16, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), redeem in accordance with these Conditions (unless otherwise specified hereon) at any time (if and for so long as this Note is not a Floating Rate Note) or on any Interest Payment Date (if and for so long as this Note is a Floating Rate Note) all, but not some only, of the Notes at their principal amount, with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption in accordance with these Conditions and any Arrears of Interest;
- (bb) the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b) (without any requirement for the consent or approval of the Noteholders) and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in accordance with Condition 16, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), substitute at any time all (and not some only) of the Notes for, or vary the terms of the Notes so that they become, Qualifying Lower Tier 2 Securities, and the Trustee shall (subject to the following provisions of this paragraph (bb) and subject to the receipt by it of the certificates of the Directors referred to below and in the definition of Qualifying Lower Tier 2 Securities) agree to such

substitution or variation. In connection therewith, all Arrears of Interest (if any) will be satisfied. The Trustee shall use its reasonable endeavours to assist the Issuer in the substitution or variation of the Notes for or into Qualifying Lower Tier 2 Securities provided that the Trustee shall not be obliged to participate or assist in any such substitution or variation of the terms if the securities into which the Notes are to be substituted or are to be varied impose, in the Trustee's opinion, more onerous obligations upon it. If the Trustee does not so participate or assist as provided above, the Issuer may, subject as provided above, redeem the Notes as provided above.

Prior to the publication of any notice of substitution, variation or redemption pursuant to this Condition 6(c) the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two Directors of the Issuer stating that the relevant requirement or circumstance referred to in paragraph (i) or (ii) above applies and the Trustee shall accept such certificate as sufficient evidence of the satisfaction of the conditions precedent set out in such paragraphs in which event it shall be conclusive and binding on the Trustee and the Noteholders. Upon expiry of such notice the Issuer shall either redeem, vary or substitute the Notes, as the case may be.

In connection with any substitution or variation in accordance with this Condition 6(c), the Issuer shall comply with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Notes are for the time being listed or admitted to trading, and (for so long as the Notes are listed on the Official List of the FSA in its capacity as competent authority under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "FSMA") and admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's EEA Regulated Market) shall publish a supplement in connection therewith if the Issuer is required to do so in order to comply with Section 87 of the FSMA.

# (d) Redemption at the Option of the Issuer

Unless the Issuer shall have given notice to redeem the Notes under Condition 6(c) or Condition 6(e) on or prior to the expiration of the notice referred to below, and if Call Option is specified hereon, the Issuer may at its option, subject to Condition 6(b), and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' irrevocable notice to the Noteholders (or such other notice period as may be specified hereon) redeem all or, if so provided, some of the Notes on any Optional Redemption Date. Any such redemption of Notes shall be at their Optional Redemption Amount together with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption in accordance with these Conditions and any Arrears of Interest. Any such redemption or exercise must relate to Notes of a nominal amount at least equal to the Minimum Redemption Amount to be redeemed specified hereon and no greater than the Maximum Redemption Amount to be redeemed specified hereon.

All Notes in respect of which any such notice is given shall be redeemed, or the Issuer's option shall be exercised, on the date specified in such notice in accordance with this Condition.

In the case of a partial redemption or a partial exercise of an Issuer's option, the notice to Noteholders shall also contain the certificate numbers of the Notes to be redeemed or in respect of which such option has been exercised, which shall have been drawn in such place as the Trustee may approve and in such manner as it deems appropriate, subject to compliance with any applicable laws and stock exchange or other relevant authority requirements.

# (e) Redemption, Substitution or Variation at the Option of the Issuer due to Capital Disqualification Event If Capital Disqualification Call is specified hereon and immediately prior to the giving of the notice referred to below a Capital Disqualification Event has occurred and is continuing, then:

- (i) the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b) and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 16, the Trustee and the Issuing and Paying Agent (which notice shall be irrevocable), redeem in accordance with these Conditions all, but not some only, of the Notes (unless otherwise specified hereon) at any time or, if and for so long as this Note is a Floating Rate Note, on any Interest Payment Date. The Notes will be redeemed at their Capital Disqualification Redemption Price in each case together with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption in accordance with these Conditions and any Arrears of Interest; or
- (ii) the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b) (without any requirement for the consent or approval of the Noteholders) and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee, the

Issuing and Paying Agent and, in accordance with Condition 16, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), substitute at any time all (and not some only) of the Notes for, or vary the terms of the Notes so that they become, Qualifying Lower Tier 2 Securities, and the Trustee shall (subject to the following provisions of this paragraph (ii) and subject to the receipt by it of the certificates of the Directors of the Issuer referred to below and in the definition of Qualifying Lower Tier 2 Securities) agree to such substitution or variation. In connection therewith all Arrears of Interest (if any) will be satisfied. The Trustee shall use its reasonable endeavours to assist the Issuer in the substitution or variation of the Notes for or into Qualifying Lower Tier 2 Securities provided that the Trustee shall not be obliged to participate or assist in any such substitution or variation if the terms of the securities into which the Notes are to be substituted or are to be varied impose, in the Trustee's opinion, more onerous obligations upon it. If the Trustee does not so participate or assist as provided above, the Issuer may, subject as provided above, redeem the Notes as provided above.

Prior to the publication of any notice of substitution, variation or redemption pursuant to this Condition 6(e) the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two Directors stating that a Capital Disqualification Event has occurred and is continuing as at the date of the certificate, and the Trustee shall accept such certificate as sufficient evidence of the occurrence and continuation of a Capital Disqualification Event in which event it shall be conclusive and binding on the Trustee and the Noteholders. Upon expiry of such notice the Issuer shall either redeem, vary or substitute the Notes, as the case may be.

In connection with any substitution or variation in accordance with this Condition 6(e), the Issuer shall comply with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Notes are for the time being listed or admitted to trading.

#### (f) Purchases

The Issuer and any of its Subsidiaries for the time being may, having given prior written notice to, and received no objection from, the FSA (so long as such notice is required to be given), at any time purchase Notes (provided that all unmatured Coupons and unexchanged Talons relating thereto are attached thereto or surrendered therewith) in the open market or otherwise at any price.

As used in this Condition 6(f), "Subsidiary" means any entity which is for the time being a subsidiary (with the meaning of Section 736 of the Companies Act 1985) of the Issuer.

# (g) Cancellation

All Notes purchased by or on behalf of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries may be surrendered for cancellation, in the case of Bearer Notes, by surrendering each such Note together with all unmatured Coupons and all unexchanged Talons to the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in the case of Registered Notes, by surrendering the Certificate representing such Notes to the Registrar and, in each case, if so surrendered, shall, together with all Notes redeemed by the Issuer, be cancelled forthwith (together with all unmatured Coupons and unexchanged Talons attached thereto or surrendered therewith). Any Notes so surrendered for cancellation may not be reissued or resold and the obligations of the Issuer in respect of any such Notes shall be discharged.

# (h) Trustee Not Obliged to Monitor

The Trustee shall not be under any duty to monitor whether any event or circumstance has happened or exists within this Condition 6 and will not be responsible to Noteholders for any loss arising from any failure to do so. Unless and until the Trustee has actual knowledge of the occurrence of any event or circumstance within this Condition 6, it shall be entitled to assume that no such event or circumstance exists.

# 7 Payments and Talons

# (a) Bearer Notes

Payments of principal and interest in respect of Bearer Notes shall, subject as mentioned below, be made against presentation and surrender of the relevant Notes (in the case of all payments of principal and, in the

case of interest, as specified in Condition 7(f)(v) or Coupons (in the case of interest, save as specified in Condition 7(f)(ii)), as the case may be, at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States by a cheque payable in the relevant currency drawn on, or, at the option of the holder, by transfer to an account denominated in such currency with, a Bank. "Bank" means a bank in the principal financial centre for such currency or, in the case of euro, in a city in which banks have access to the TARGET System.

#### (b) Registered Notes

- (i) Payments of principal in respect of Registered Notes shall be made against presentation and surrender of the relevant Certificates at the specified office of any of the Transfer Agents or of the Registrar and in the manner provided in paragraph (ii) below.
- (ii) Interest on Registered Notes shall be paid to the person shown on the Register at the close of business on the fifteenth day before the due date for payment thereof (the "Record Date"). Payments of interest on each Registered Note shall be made in the relevant currency by cheque drawn on a Bank and mailed to the holder (or to the first named of joint holders) of such Note at its address appearing in the Register. Upon application by the holder to the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent before the Record Date, such payment of interest may be made by transfer to an account in the relevant currency maintained by the payee with a Bank.

# (c) Payments in the United States

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Bearer Notes are denominated in U.S. dollars, payments in respect thereof may be made at the specified office of any Paying Agent in New York City in the same manner as aforesaid if (i) the Issuer shall have appointed Paying Agents with specified offices outside the United States with the reasonable expectation that such Paying Agents would be able to make payment of the amounts on the Notes in the manner provided above when due, (ii) payment in full of such amounts at all such offices is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions on payment or receipt of such amounts and (iii) such payment is then permitted by United States law, without involving, in the opinion of the Issuer, any adverse tax consequence to the Issuer.

#### (d) Payments subject to Fiscal Laws

All payments are subject in all cases to any applicable fiscal or other laws, regulations and directives, but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 8. No commission or expenses shall be charged to the Noteholders or Couponholders in respect of such payments.

# (e) Appointment of Agents

The Issuing and Paying Agent, the Paying Agents, the Registrar, the Transfer Agents and the Calculation Agent initially appointed by the Issuer and their respective specified offices are listed below. Subject as provided in the Agency Agreement the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Paying Agents, the Registrar, the Transfer Agents and the Calculation Agent act solely as agents of the Issuer and do not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any Noteholder or Couponholder. The Issuer reserves the right at any time with the approval of the Trustee to vary or terminate the appointment of the Issuing and Paying Agent, any other Paying Agent, the Registrar, any Transfer Agent or the Calculation Agent(s) and to appoint additional or other Paying Agents or Transfer Agents, provided that the Issuer shall at all times maintain (i) an Issuing and Paying Agent, (ii) a Registrar in relation to Registered Notes, (iii) a Transfer Agent in relation to Registered Notes, (iv) one or more Calculation Agent(s) where the Conditions so require, (v) a Paying Agent having a specified office in a European Union member state (so long as there is such a member state) that will not be obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive and (vi) a Paying Agent having specified offices in London so long as the Notes are admitted to the Official List of the Financial Services Authority in its capacity as competent authority under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's EEA Regulated Market.

In addition, the Issuer shall forthwith appoint a Paying Agent in New York City in respect of any Bearer Notes denominated in U.S. dollars in the circumstances described in Condition 7(c).

Notice of any such change or any change of any specified office shall promptly be given to the Noteholders.

#### (f) Unmatured Coupons and unexchanged Talons

- (i) Unless the Notes provide that the relative Coupons are to become void upon the due date for redemption of those Notes, Bearer Notes should be surrendered for payment together with all unmatured Coupons (if any) relating thereto, failing which an amount equal to the face value of each missing unmatured Coupon (or, in the case of payment not being made in full, that proportion of the amount of such missing unmatured Coupon that the sum of principal so paid bears to the total principal due) shall be deducted from the Final Redemption Amount, Optional Redemption Amount or Capital Disqualification Event Redemption Price as the case may be, due for payment. Any amount so deducted shall be paid in the manner mentioned above against surrender of such missing Coupon within a period of 10 years from the Relevant Date for the payment of such principal (whether or not such Coupon has become void pursuant to Condition 9).
- (ii) If the Notes so provide, upon the due date for redemption of any Bearer Note, unmatured Coupons relating to such Note (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect of them.
- (iii) Upon the due date for redemption of any Bearer Note, any unexchanged Talon relating to such Note (whether or not attached) shall become void and no Coupon shall be delivered in respect of such Talon.
- (iv) Where any Bearer Note that provides that the relative unmatured Coupons are to become void upon the due date for redemption of those Notes is presented for redemption without all unmatured Coupons, and where any Bearer Note is presented for redemption without any unexchanged Talon relating to it redemption shall be made only against the provision of such indemnity as the Issuer may require.
- (v) If the due date for redemption of any Note is not a due date for payment of interest, interest accrued from the preceding due date for payment of interest or the Interest Commencement Date, as the case may be, shall only be payable against presentation (and surrender if appropriate) of the relevant Bearer Note or Certificate representing it, as the case may be. Interest accrued on a Note that only bears interest after its Maturity Date shall be payable on redemption of such Note against presentation of the relevant Note or Certificate representing it, as the case may be.

# (g) Talons

On or after the Interest Payment Date for the final Coupon forming part of a Coupon sheet issued in respect of any Bearer Note, the Talon forming part of such Coupon sheet may be surrendered at the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent in exchange for a further Coupon sheet (and another Talon for a further Coupon sheet) (but excluding any Coupons that may have become void pursuant to Condition 9).

#### (h) Non-Business Days

If any date for payment in respect of any Note or Coupon is not a business day, the holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following business day nor to any interest or other sum in respect of such postponed payment. In this paragraph, "business day" means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business in the relevant place of presentation, in such jurisdictions as shall be specified as "Additional Financial Centres" hereon and:

- (i) (in the case of a payment in a currency other than euro) where payment is to be made by transfer to an account maintained with a bank in the relevant currency, on which foreign exchange transactions may be carried on in the relevant currency in the principal financial centre of the country of such currency or
- (ii) (in the case of a payment in euro) which is a TARGET Business Day.

#### 8 Taxation

All payments of principal and interest by or on behalf of the Issuer in respect of the Notes and the Coupons shall be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of, any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by or within the United Kingdom or any authority therein or thereof having power to tax, unless such withholding or deduction is required by law. In that event, the Issuer shall pay such additional amounts as shall result in receipt by the Noteholders and Couponholders of such amounts as would have been received by them had no such withholding or deduction been required by law to be made, except that no such additional amounts shall be payable with respect to any Note or Coupon:

#### (a) Other connection

presented for payment by or on behalf of, a holder who is liable to such taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges in respect of such Note or Coupon by reason of his having some connection with the United Kingdom other than the mere holding of the Note or Coupon or

# (b) Lawful avoidance of withholding

presented for payment by or on behalf of, a holder who could lawfully avoid (but has not so avoided) such deduction or withholding by complying or procuring that any third party complies with any statutory requirements or by making or procuring that any third party makes a declaration of non residence or other similar claim for exemption to any tax authority in the place where the relevant Note (or the Certificate representing it) or Coupon is presented for payment or

# (c) Presentation more than 30 days after the Relevant Date

presented (or in respect of which the Certificate representing it is presented) for payment more than 30 days after the Relevant Date (as defined below) except to the extent that the holder of it would have been entitled to such additional amounts on presenting it for payment on the thirtieth day or

# (d) Payment to individuals

where such withholding or deduction is imposed on a payment to an individual and is required to be made pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive or any agreement between the European Union and any jurisdiction providing for equivalent measures or

# (e) Payment by another Paying Agent

(except in the case of the payment of interest in respect of Registered Notes) presented for payment by or on behalf of a holder who would have been able to avoid such withholding or deduction by presenting the relevant Note or Coupon to another Paying Agent (or, in the case of the payment of principal in respect of Registered Notes, another Transfer Agent or, if applicable, the Registrar) in a Member State of the European Union.

As used in these Conditions, "Relevant Date" in respect of any Note or Coupon means the date on which payment in respect of it first becomes due or (if any amount of the money payable is improperly withheld or refused) the date on which payment in full of the amount outstanding is made or (if earlier) the date seven days after that on which notice is duly given to the Noteholders that, upon further presentation of the Note (or relative Certificate) or Coupon being made in accordance with the Conditions, such payment will be made, provided that payment is in fact made upon such presentation. References in these Conditions to (i) "principal" shall be deemed to include any premium payable in respect of the Notes, Final Redemption Amount, Optional Redemption Amount or Capital Disqualification Event Redemption Price and all other amounts in the nature of principal payable pursuant to Condition 6 or any amendment or supplement to it, (ii) "interest" shall be deemed to include all Interest Amounts and all other amounts payable pursuant to Condition 4 or any amendment or supplement to it and (iii) "principal" and/or "interest" shall be deemed to include any additional amounts that may be payable under this Condition or any undertaking given in addition to or in substitution for it under the Trust Deed ("Additional Amounts").

#### 9 Prescription

Claims against the Issuer for payment in respect of the Notes and Coupons (which, for this purpose, shall not include Talons) shall be prescribed and become void unless made within 10 years (in the case of principal) or five years (in the case of interest) from the appropriate Relevant Date in respect of them.

#### 10 Events of Default and Enforcement

Notwithstanding any of the provisions below in Condition 10, the right to institute proceedings is limited to circumstances where payment has become due. In the case of the Option B Notes, any interest otherwise due on an Optional Interest Payment Date will not be due if the Issuer has elected to defer that payment pursuant to Condition 5(b).

# (a) Events of Default

If any of the following events ("Events of Default") occurs, the Trustee at its discretion may, and if so requested by holders of at least one-quarter in nominal amount of the Notes then outstanding or if so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution shall (but in each case subject to Condition 10(d) below), give notice to the Issuer that the Notes are, and they shall immediately become, due and payable at their principal amount together with accrued interest and all Arrears of Interest:

- (i) subject, in the case of Option B Notes, to the provisions of Condition 5(b), default is made for a period of seven days or more in the payment of any principal or premium or 14 days or more in the payment of any interest due in respect of the Notes or any of them provided that the Issuer shall not be in default, however, if, in the case of principal or premium, during the seven days' grace period referred to above or, in the case of interest, during the 14 days' grace period referred to above, it satisfies the Trustee that such sums were not paid in order to comply with any order of any United Kingdom court of competent jurisdiction applicable to such payment provided that such grace period shall automatically start to run again upon such order expiring or being discharged or revoked; or
- (ii) an order is made or a resolution is passed for the winding-up of the Issuer (other than a winding-up which has been approved previously in writing by the Trustee or by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Noteholders).

#### (b) Proceedings for Winding-up

If the Notes become due and repayable (whether pursuant to Condition 10(a) above or Condition 6) and are not paid when so due and repayable or any other payment obligation of the Issuer under or arising from the Notes, the Coupons or the Trust Deed is not met, the Trustee may at its discretion institute proceedings for the winding-up of the Issuer and/or prove in the winding-up of the Issuer and/or claim in the liquidation of the Issuer for such payment, provided, however, that the Trustee may only take any such action on or after the failure by the Issuer to make payment as described in this Condition 10(b), but may take no further or other action to enforce, prove or claim for any such payment. No payment in respect of the Notes, the Coupons or the Trust Deed may be made by the Issuer pursuant to Condition 10(a) above, nor will the Trustee accept the same, otherwise than during or after a winding-up of the Issuer, unless the Issuer has given prior written notice (with a copy to the Trustee) to, and received no objection from, the FSA which the Issuer shall confirm in writing to the Trustee.

# (c) Enforcement

Without prejudice to Condition 10(a) or (b) above, the Trustee may at its discretion and without further notice institute such proceedings against the Issuer as it may think fit to enforce any obligation, condition or provision binding on the Issuer under the Trust Deed, the Notes or the Coupons (other than any payment obligation of the Issuer under or arising from the Notes, the Coupons or the Trust Deed including, without limitation, payment of any principal, premium or interest in respect of the Notes or the Coupons and any damages awarded for breach of any obligations) and in no event shall the Issuer, by virtue of the institution of any such proceedings, be obliged to pay any sum or sums sooner than the same would otherwise have been payable by it. Nothing in this Condition 10(c) shall however prevent the Trustee instituting proceedings for

the winding-up of the Issuer, proving in any winding-up of the Issuer and/or claiming in any liquidation of the Issuer in respect of any payment obligations of the Issuer arising from the Notes, the Coupons or the Trust Deed (including any damages awarded for breach of any obligations).

# (d) Entitlement of the Trustee

The Trustee shall not be bound to take any of the actions referred to in Condition 10(a), (b) or (c) above to enforce the obligations of the Issuer under the Trust Deed, the Notes or the Coupons unless (i) it shall have been so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Noteholders or so requested in writing by the holders of at least one-quarter in principal amount of the Notes then outstanding and (ii) it shall have been indemnified and/or secured to its satisfaction.

# (e) Right of Noteholders

No Noteholder or Couponholder shall be entitled to proceed directly against the Issuer or to prove in the winding-up or claim in the liquidation of the Issuer unless the Trustee, having become so bound to proceed or being able to prove in such winding-up or claim in such winding-up, fails to do so within a reasonable period and such failure shall be continuing, in which case the Noteholder or Couponholder shall have only such rights against the Issuer as those which the Trustee is entitled to exercise as set out in this Condition 10. Any such proceedings brought by any Noteholder or Couponholder shall be brought in the name of the Trustee, subject to such Noteholder or Couponholder indemnifying the Trustee to its satisfaction.

# (f) Extent of Noteholders' remedy

No remedy against the Issuer, other than as referred to in this Condition 10, shall be available to the Trustee or the Noteholders or Couponholders, whether for the recovery of amounts owing in respect of the Notes or under the Trust Deed or in respect of any breach by the Issuer of any of its other obligations under or in respect of the Notes, Coupons or under the Trust Deed.

# 11 Meetings of Noteholders, Modification, Waiver and Substitution

# (a) Meetings of Noteholders

The Trust Deed contains provisions for convening meetings of Noteholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the sanctioning by Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Trust Deed) of a modification of any of these Conditions or any provisions of the Trust Deed. Such a meeting may be convened by Noteholders holding not less than 10 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. The quorum for any meeting convened to consider an Extraordinary Resolution shall be one or more persons holding or representing a clear majority 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 held or represented, unless the business of such meeting includes consideration of proposals, inter alia, (i) to amend the dates of maturity or redemption of the Notes or any date for payment of interest or Interest Amounts or Arrears of Interest on the Notes, (ii) to reduce or cancel the nominal amount of, or any premium payable on redemption of, the Notes, (iii) to reduce the rate or rates of interest or Arrears of Interest in respect of the Notes or to vary the method or basis of calculating the rate or rates or amount of interest or the basis for calculating any Interest Amount in respect of the Notes, (iv) if a Minimum and/or a Maximum Rate of Interest is shown hereon, to reduce any such Minimum and/or Maximum, (v) to vary any method of, or basis for, calculating the Final Redemption Amount, Capital Disqualification Redemption Price, or the Optional Redemption Amount, (vi) to vary the currency or currencies of payment or denomination of the Notes, (vii) to take any steps that as specified hereon may only be taken following approval by an Extraordinary Resolution to which the special quorum provisions apply, (viii) to modify the provisions concerning the quorum required at any meeting of Noteholders or the majority required to pass the Extraordinary Resolution, or (ix) to modify Condition 3, in which case the necessary quorum shall be one or more persons holding or representing not less than two-thirds, or at any adjourned meeting not less than one-third, in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. The agreement or approval of the Noteholders shall not be required in the case of any variation of these Conditions and/or the Trust Deed required to be made in the circumstances described in Conditions 6(c) or 6(e) in connection with the substitution or variation of the Notes so that they become Qualifying Lower Tier 2 Securities, and to which the Trustee has agreed pursuant to the relevant provisions of Conditions 6(c) or 6(e), as the case may be. Any Extraordinary Resolution duly passed shall be binding on Noteholders (whether or not they were present at the meeting at which such resolution was passed) and on all Couponholders.

These Conditions may be amended, modified or varied in relation to any Series of Notes by the terms of the relevant Final Terms in relation to such Series.

# (b) Modification of the Trust Deed

The Trustee may agree, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to (i) any modification of any of the provisions of the Trust Deed or the Agency Agreement that is in the opinion of the Trustee of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a manifest error, and (ii) any other modification (except as mentioned in the Trust Deed), and any waiver or authorisation of any breach or proposed breach, of any of these Conditions and the provisions of the Trust Deed or the Agency Agreement that is in the opinion of the Trustee not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders.

Any such modification, authorisation or waiver shall be binding on the Noteholders and the Couponholders and, if the Trustee so requires, such modification shall be notified to the Noteholders as soon as practicable.

#### (c) Notice to FSA

No modification to these Conditions or any other provisions of the Trust Deed shall become effective unless the Issuer shall have given at least one month's prior written notice to, and received no objection from, the FSA (or such other period of notice as the FSA may from time to time require or accept and, in any event, provided that there is a requirement to give such notice).

# (d) Substitution

The Trustee, if it is satisfied that so to do would not be materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders or Couponholders, may agree with the Issuer, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to the substitution on a subordinated basis equivalent to that referred to in Condition 3 of any person or persons incorporated in any country in the world (other than the United States) (the "Substitute Obligor") in place of the Issuer (or any previous Substitute Obligor under this Condition) as a new principal debtor under the Trust Deed, the Notes and the Coupons provided that:

- (i) a trust deed is executed or some other form of undertaking is given by the Substitute Obligor in form and manner satisfactory to the Trustee, agreeing to be bound by the terms of the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons, with any consequential amendments which the Trustee may deem appropriate, as fully as if the Substitute Obligor had been named in the Trust Deed and on the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons, as the principal debtor in place of the Issuer (or of any previous Substitute Obligor, as the case may be);
- (ii) (unless the successor in business of the Issuer is the Substitute Obligor) the obligations of the Substitute Obligor under the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons are guaranteed by the Issuer (or the successor in business of the Issuer) on a subordinated basis equivalent to that referred to in Condition 3 and in the Trust Deed and in a form and manner satisfactory to the Trustee;
- (iii) if the directors of the Substitute Obligor or other officers acceptable to the Trustee shall certify that the Substitute Obligor is solvent at the time at which the said substitution is proposed to be effected, the Trustee may rely absolutely on such certification and shall not be bound to have regard to the financial condition, profits or prospects of the Substitute Obligor or to compare the same with those of the Issuer:
- (iv) (without prejudice to the rights of reliance of the Trustee under sub-paragraph (iii) above) the Trustee is satisfied that the said substitution is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders;
- (v) (without prejudice to the generality of sub-paragraph (i) above) the Trustee may in the event of such substitution agree, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to a change in the law governing the Trust Deed and/or the Notes and/or the Coupons and/or the Talons, provided that such

change would not in the opinion of the Trustee be materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders;

- (vi) if the Substitute Obligor is, or becomes, subject generally to the taxing jurisdiction of a territory or any authority of or in that territory with power to tax (the "Substituted Territory") other than the territory of the taxing jurisdiction of which (or to any such authority of or in which) the Issuer is subject generally (the "Issuer's Territory"), the Substitute Obligor will (unless the Trustee otherwise agrees) give to the Trustee an undertaking satisfactory to the Trustee in terms corresponding to Condition 8 with the substitution for the references in that Condition and in Condition 6(c) to the Issuer's Territory of references to the Substituted Territory whereupon the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons, will be read accordingly; and
- (vii) the Issuer and the Substitute Obligor comply with such other requirements as are reasonable in the interests of the Noteholders, as the Trustee may direct.

In connection with any proposed substitution as aforesaid, the Trustee shall have regard to the interests of the Noteholders as a class and the Trustee shall not have regard to the consequences of such substitution or such exercise for individual Noteholders or Couponholders resulting from their being for any purpose domiciled or resident in, or otherwise connected with, or subject to the jurisdiction of, any particular territory. In connection with any substitution or such exercise as aforesaid, no Noteholder or Couponholder shall be entitled to claim, whether from the Issuer, the Substitute Obligor or the Trustee or any other person, any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax consequence of any such substitution or any such exercise upon any individual Noteholders or Couponholders except to the extent already provided in Condition 8 and/or any undertaking given in addition thereto or in substitution therefor pursuant to the Trust Deed.

#### 12 Entitlement of the Trustee

In connection with the exercise of its functions (including but not limited to those referred to in Condition 11) the Trustee shall have regard to the interests of the Noteholders as a class and shall not have regard to the consequences of such exercise for individual Noteholders or Couponholders and the Trustee shall not be entitled to require, nor shall any Noteholder or Couponholder be entitled to claim, from the Issuer any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax consequence of any such exercise upon individual Noteholders or Couponholders.

# 13 Indemnification of the Trustee

The Trust Deed contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee and for its relief from responsibility, including provisions relieving it from taking any action unless indemnified to its satisfaction. The Trustee is entitled to enter into business transactions with the Issuer and any entity related to the Issuer without accounting for any profit.

# 14 Replacement of Notes, Certificates, Coupons and Talons

If a Note, Certificate, Coupon or Talon is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be replaced, subject to applicable laws, regulations and stock exchange or other relevant authority regulations, at the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent (in the case of Bearer Notes, Coupons or Talons) and of the Registrar (in the case of Certificates) or such other Paying Agent or Transfer Agent, as the case may be, as may from time to time be designated by the Issuer for the purpose and notice of whose designation is given to Noteholders, in each case on payment by the claimant of the fees and costs incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence, security and indemnity (which may provide, *inter alia*, that if the allegedly lost, stolen or destroyed Note, Certificate, Coupon or Talon is subsequently presented for payment or, as the case may be, for exchange for further Coupons, there shall be paid to the Issuer on demand the amount payable by the Issuer in respect of such Notes, Certificates, Coupons or further Coupons) and otherwise as the Issuer may require. Mutilated or defaced Notes, Certificates, Coupons or Talons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

#### 15 Further Issues

The Issuer may from time to time without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders create and issue further securities either having the same terms and conditions as the Notes in all respects (or in all respects except for the first payment of interest on them) and so that such further issue shall be consolidated and form a single series with the outstanding securities of any series (including the Notes) or upon such terms as the Issuer may determine at the

time of their issue. References in these Conditions to the Notes include (unless the context requires otherwise) any other securities issued pursuant to this Condition and forming a single series with the Notes. Any further securities forming a single series with the outstanding securities of any series (including the Notes) constituted by the Trust Deed or any deed supplemental to it shall, and any other securities may (with the consent of the Trustee), be constituted by the Trust Deed. The Trust Deed contains provisions for convening a single meeting of the Noteholders and the holders of securities of other series where the Trustee so decides.

#### 16 Notices

Notices to the holders of Registered Notes shall be mailed to them at their respective addresses in the Register and deemed to have been given on the fourth weekday (being a day other than a Saturday or a Sunday) after the date of mailing. Notices to the holders of Bearer Notes shall be valid if published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in London (which is expected to be the *Financial Times*). If in the opinion of the Trustee any such publication is not practicable, notice shall be validly given if published in another leading daily English language newspaper with general circulation in Europe. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given on the date of such publication or, if published more than once or on different dates, on the first date on which publication is made, as provided above.

Couponholders shall be deemed for all purposes to have notice of the contents of any notice given to the holders of Bearer Notes in accordance with this Condition.

# 17 Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

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

#### 18 Definitions

As used herein:

"Capital Disqualification Event" is deemed to have occurred (1) if under the Directive or the Relevant Rules, or as a result of any change thereto, the Notes would not be capable of counting (save where such non-qualification is only as a result of any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital) as cover for the minimum capital resources requirement applicable to the Issuer under the Directive or the Relevant Rules; or (2) if, at any time the Issuer or the Group is required under the Directive or the Relevant Rules to have Tier 2 Capital, the Notes would no longer be eligible to qualify (save as aforesaid) for inclusion in the Tier 2 Capital of the Issuer on a solo and/or consolidated basis;

"Directive" means Directive 98/78/EC of the European Union;

"Directors" means directors of the Issuer;

"EEA Regulated Subsidiaries" means the subsidiaries of the Issuer which are regulated within the EEA by a Relevant Supervisory Authority;

"European Economic Area" or "EEA" means the countries comprising the European Union together with Norway, Liechtenstein and Iceland;

"FSA" means the Financial Services Authority (or, if at any time the Financial Services Authority is not the relevant regulator, such other regulator as shall be the relevant regulator of insurance companies operating in the United Kingdom);

"Group" means the Issuer and its Subsidiaries;

"Junior Securities" means any class of the Issuer's share capital (save for the Priority Preference Shares) together with any other securities of the Issuer or any member of the Group ranking, or expressed to rank, junior to the Notes (either issued directly by the Issuer or by a subsidiary undertaking and the terms of which securities benefit from a guarantee or support agreement ranking, or expressed to rank, junior to the Notes);

"Lower Tier 2 Capital" has the meaning given to it from time to time by the FSA;

"Optional Interest Payment Date" means, in respect of the Option B Notes only, any Interest Payment Date where:

(i)

- (a) a Regulatory Intervention has occurred prior to such Interest Payment Date and is continuing on such Interest Payment Date or is reasonably likely to occur as a result of making the payments due on such Interest Payment Date; and
- (b) no interest payments have been made on any junior or *pari passu* ranking securities of the Issuer (other than the Notes) and no dividend or other distribution has been irrevocably declared on any class of the Issuer's share capital since the date of the commencement of that Regulatory Intervention; or
- (ii) no interest payments have been made on any junior or *pari passu* ranking securities of the Issuer (other than the Notes) during the financial year of the Issuer in which such Interest Payment Date falls, and no dividend or other distribution on any class of the Issuer's share capital was irrevocably declared at or since the annual general meeting of shareholders immediately prior to that Interest Payment Date;

"Parity Securities" means any securities ranking, or expressed to rank, *pari passu* with the Notes whether issued directly by the Issuer or by a subsidiary undertaking and the terms of which securities benefit from a guarantee or support agreement ranking, or expressed to rank, *pari passu* with the Notes;

"Priority Preference Shares" means the 100,000,000 8.375 per cent. cumulative irredeemable preference shares of £1 each or the 100,000,000 8.75 per cent. cumulative irredeemable preference shares of £1 each, in each case issued by the Issuer;

"Qualifying Lower Tier 2 Securities" means securities issued directly or indirectly by the Issuer that:

- (a) have terms not materially less favourable to an investor (as reasonably determined by the Issuer, and provided that a certification to such effect of two Directors shall have been delivered to the Trustee prior to the issue of the relevant securities) than the terms of the Notes provided that (1) they shall contain terms which comply with the then current requirements of the FSA in relation to Lower Tier 2 Capital, (2) the same rate of interest from time to time applying to the Notes and (3) such securities preserve any existing rights under these Conditions to any accrued interest which has not been paid; and
- (b) are listed or admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's EEA Regulated Market, the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or such other stock exchange as is a Recognised Stock Exchange at that time as selected by the Issuer and approved by the Trustee;

"Recognised Stock Exchange" means a recognised stock exchange as defined in section 1005 of the Income Tax Act 2007 as the same may be amended from time to time and any provision, statute or statutory instrument replacing the same from time to time;

"Regulatory Intervention" means (a) with respect to the Issuer, a request from any Relevant Supervisory Authority to restore or improve any applicable solvency margins or capital adequacy levels of the Issuer, (b) in respect of any of the Issuer's EEA Regulated Subsidiaries, a request to that EEA Regulated Subsidiary by its Relevant Supervisory Authority to restore either its applicable minimum solvency margins or capital adequacy levels or the FSA is notified by a Relevant Supervisory Authority that such Relevant Supervisory Authority has made such request to the applicable EEA Regulated Subsidiary, or (c) if, on any date on which a payment in respect of principal, premium or interest in respect of the Notes is due, the Issuer or any one of the EEA Regulated Subsidiaries has failed (or is reasonably likely to so fail immediately after such payment) to meet its applicable minimum solvency margins or capital adequacy levels as at the date of the most recent audited accounts of the Issuer or, as the case may be, that EEA Regulated Subsidiary or, if later, the date such margins or levels were most recently tested for regulatory purposes or, if later, any date falling on or prior to the date such payment is, or otherwise would be, due selected by the Board of Directors (or other management body) of the Issuer or, as the case may be that EEA Regulated Subsidiary. A Regulatory Intervention shall be deemed to be continuing until such date as, in the case of (a) or (b), the relevant margins of solvency or capital adequacy levels have been restored or improved to the satisfaction of the Relevant Supervisory Authority or the request is otherwise withdrawn or addressed to the satisfaction of the Relevant Supervisory Authority or, in the case of (c), the first date on which the Issuer or relevant EEA Regulated Subsidiary, as applicable, meets its applicable minimum solvency margins or, as the case may be, capital adequacy levels, as determined and so certified to the Trustee by the Board of Directors (or other management body) thereof;

"Relevant Rules" means any legislation, rules or regulations (whether having the force of law or otherwise) in any state within the European Economic Area implementing the Directive;

"Relevant Supervisory Authority" means any regulator having jurisdiction over the Issuer or any of the EEA Regulated Subsidiaries;

"Senior Creditors" means (a) creditors of the Issuer who are unsubordinated creditors of the Issuer and (b) creditors of the Issuer whose claims are, or are expressed to be, subordinated to the claims of other creditors of the Issuer (other than those whose claims constitute, or would but for any applicable limitation on the amount of any such capital, constitute Tier 1 Capital or Upper Tier 2 Capital or whose claims rank, or are expressed to rank *pari passu* with, or junior to, the claims of the Noteholders);

"Subsidiary" or "subsidiary undertaking" has the meaning given to subsidiary undertaking under section 258 of the Companies Act 1985 (unless otherwise defined);

"Tax Event" means an event of the type described in Condition 6(c)(i) or (ii);

"Tier 1 Capital" and "Tier 2 Capital" have the respective meanings given to them from time to time by the FSA; and

"Upper Tier 2 Capital" has the meaning given to it by the FSA from time to time.

# 19 Governing Law

The Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law.

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE UNDATED TIER 2 NOTES

The following is the text of the terms and conditions that, subject to completion and amendment and as supplemented or varied in accordance with the provisions of Part A of the relevant Final Terms and, if applicable, subject to any amendment or supplement set out in any applicable Supplemental Prospectus, shall be applicable to the Undated Tier 2 Notes in definitive form (if any) issued in exchange for the Global Note(s) or Certificate(s) representing each Series of Undated Tier 2 Notes. The full text of these terms and conditions together with the relevant provisions of Part A of the Final Terms and, if applicable, the relevant provisions of any applicable Supplemental Prospectus, shall be endorsed on such Bearer Notes or on the Certificates relating to such Registered Notes. Accordingly, references in these terms and conditions to provisions specified hereon shall be to provisions endorsed on the face of the relevant Note or set out in Part A of the relevant Final Terms and if applicable, Supplemental Prospectus. All capitalised terms that are not defined in these Conditions will have the meanings given to them in Part A of the relevant Final Terms. Those definitions will be endorsed on the definitive Notes or Certificates, as the case may be. References in the Conditions to "Notes" are to the Undated Tier 2 Notes of one Series only, not to all Notes that may be issued under the Programme.

The Notes are constituted by a Trust Deed (as amended or supplemented as at the date of issue of the Notes (the "Issue Date"), the "Trust Deed") dated 27 November 2007 between Aviva plc (the "Issuer"), Aviva International Insurance Limited and the Law Debenture Trust Corporation p.l.c. (the "Trustee", which expression shall include all persons for the time being the trustee or trustees under the Trust Deed) as trustee for the Noteholders (as defined below). These terms and conditions include summaries of, and are subject to, the detailed provisions of the Trust Deed, which includes the form of the Bearer Notes, Certificates, Coupons and Talons referred to below. An Agency Agreement dated 27 November 2007 (as amended or supplemented as at the Issue Date, the "Agency Agreement") has been entered into in relation to the Notes between the Issuer, Aviva International Insurance Limited, the Trustee, HSBC Bank plc as initial issuing and paying agent and the other agents named in it. The issuing and paying agent, the paying agents, the registrar, the transfer agents and the calculation agent(s) for the time being (if any) are referred to below respectively as the "Issuing and Paying Agent", the "Paying Agents" (which expression shall include the Issuing and Paying Agent), the "Registrar", the "Transfer Agents" (which expression shall include the Registrar) and the "Calculation Agent(s)". Copies of the Trust Deed and the Agency Agreement are available for inspection during usual business hours at the principal office of the Trustee (presently at Fifth Floor, 100 Wood Street, London EC2V 7EX, United Kingdom) and at the specified offices of the Paying Agents and the Transfer Agents.

The Noteholders and the holders of the interest coupons (the "Coupons") relating to interest bearing Notes in bearer form and, where applicable in the case of such Notes, talons for further Coupons (the "Talons") (the "Couponholders") are entitled to the benefit of, are bound by, and are deemed to have notice of, all the provisions of the Trust Deed and are deemed to have notice of those provisions applicable to them of the Agency Agreement.

As used in these Conditions, "Tranche" means Notes which are identical in all respects.

# 1 Form, Denomination and Title

The Notes are issued in bearer form ("Bearer Notes") or in registered form ("Registered Notes") in each case in the Specified Denomination(s) shown hereon provided that in the case of any Notes which are to be 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 (Directive 2003/71/EC), the minimum Specified Denomination shall be €50,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency as at the date of issue of the relevant Notes).

All Registered Notes shall have the same Specified Denomination.

This Note is a Fixed Rate Note, a Floating Rate Note or a combination of the foregoing or any other kind of Note, depending upon the Interest Basis shown hereon.

Bearer Notes are serially numbered and are issued with Coupons and a Talon attached.

Registered Notes are represented by registered certificates ("Certificates") and, save as provided in Condition 2(b), each Certificate shall represent the entire holding of Registered Notes by the same holder.

Title to the Bearer Notes and the Coupons and Talons shall pass by delivery. Title to the Registered Notes shall pass upon registration in the register that the Issuer shall procure to be kept by the Registrar in accordance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement (the "Register"). Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the holder (as defined below) of any Note, Coupon or Talon shall be deemed to be and may be

treated as its absolute owner for all purposes whether or not it is overdue and regardless of any notice of ownership, trust or an interest in it, any writing on it (or on the Certificate representing it) or its theft or loss (or that of the related Certificate) and no person shall be liable for so treating the holder.

In these Conditions, "Noteholder" means the bearer of any Bearer Note or the person in whose name a Registered Note is registered (as the case may be), "holder" (in relation to a Note, Coupon or Talon) means the bearer of any Bearer Note, Coupon or Talon or the person in whose name a Registered Note is registered (as the case may be) and capitalised terms have the meanings given to them hereon, the absence of any such meaning indicating that such term is not applicable to the Notes.

# 2 Transfers of Registered Notes

# (a) Transfer of Registered Notes

One or more Registered Notes may be transferred upon the surrender (at the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent) of the Certificate representing such Registered Notes to be transferred, together with the form of transfer (as set out in Schedule 1 of the Trust Deed) endorsed on such Certificate (or another form of transfer substantially in the same form and containing the same representations and certifications (if any), unless otherwise agreed by the Issuer), duly completed and executed and any other evidence as the Registrar or Transfer Agent may reasonably require. In the case of a transfer of part only of a holding of Registered Notes represented by one Certificate, a new Certificate shall be issued to the transferee in respect of the part transferred and a further new Certificate in respect of the balance of the holding not transferred shall be issued to the transferor. All transfers of Notes and entries on the Register will be made subject to the detailed regulations concerning transfers of Notes scheduled to the Agency Agreement. The regulations may be changed by the Issuer, with the prior written approval of the Registrar and the Trustee. A copy of the current regulations will be made available by the Registrar to any Noteholder upon request.

#### (b) Exercise of Options or Partial Redemption in Respect of Registered Notes

In the case of an exercise of an Issuer's or Noteholder's option in respect of a holding of Registered Notes represented by a single Certificate or a partial redemption of a holding of Registered Notes represented by a single Certificate, a new Certificate shall be issued to the holder to reflect the exercise of such option or in respect of the balance of the holding not redeemed. In the case of a partial exercise of an option resulting in Registered Notes of the same holding having different terms, separate Certificates shall be issued in respect of those Notes of that holding that have the same terms. New Certificates shall only be issued against surrender of the existing Certificates to the Registrar or any Transfer Agent. In the case of a transfer of Registered Notes to a person who is already a holder of Registered Notes, a new Certificate representing the enlarged holding shall only be issued against surrender of the Certificate representing the existing holding.

#### (c) Delivery of New Certificates

Each new Certificate to be issued pursuant to Conditions 2(a) or (b) shall be available for delivery within three business days of receipt of the form of transfer and surrender of the Certificate for exchange. Delivery of the new Certificate(s) shall be made at the specified office of the Transfer Agent or of the Registrar (as the case may be) to whom delivery or surrender of such form of transfer, Exercise Notice or Certificate shall have been made or, at the option of the holder making such delivery or surrender as aforesaid and as specified in the relevant form of transfer, Exercise Notice or otherwise in writing, be mailed by uninsured post at the risk of the holder entitled to the new Certificate to such address as may be so specified, unless such holder requests otherwise and pays in advance to the relevant Transfer Agent the costs of such other method of delivery and/or such insurance as it may specify. In this Condition 2(c), "business day" means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which banks are open for business in the place of the specified office of the relevant Transfer Agent or the Registrar (as the case may be).

## (d) Transfer Free of Charge

Transfer of Notes and Certificates on registration, transfer, exercise of an option or partial redemption shall be effected without charge by or on behalf of the Issuer, the Registrar or the Transfer Agents, but upon payment of any tax or other governmental charges by the person submitting such Notes or Certificates that

may be imposed in relation to it (or the giving of such indemnity as the Registrar or the relevant Transfer Agent may require).

#### (e) Closed Periods

No Noteholder may require the transfer of a Registered Note to be registered (i) during the period of 15 days ending on the due date for redemption of that Note, (ii) during the period of 15 days prior to any date on which Notes may be called for redemption by the Issuer at its option pursuant to Condition 6(d), (iii) after any such Note has been called for redemption or (iv) during the period of seven days ending on (and including) any Record Date.

#### 3 Status

## (a) General

#### (i) Condition to Payment

The Notes and the Coupons relating to them constitute direct, unsecured and subordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* and without any preference among themselves. In the event of the winding-up of the Issuer or the appointment of an administrator of the Issuer where the administrator has given notice that it intends to declare and distribute a dividend, the payment obligations of the Issuer under or arising from the Notes and the Coupons relating to them and the Trust Deed shall be subordinated in the manner provided in the Trust Deed to the claims of all Senior Creditors (as defined in Condition 18) of the Issuer but shall rank at least *pari passu* with all other obligations of the Issuer which constitute, or would but for any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital, constitute Upper Tier 2 Capital and in priority to those whose claims constitute, or would but for any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital, constitute Tier 1 Capital and to the claims of holders of all classes of share capital of the Issuer.

Without prejudice to Condition 3(b) below, all payments under or arising from the Notes, the Coupons relating to them and the Trust Deed shall be conditional upon the Issuer being solvent at the time for payment by the Issuer, and no amount shall be payable under or arising from the Notes, the Coupons relating to them and the Trust Deed unless and until such time as the Issuer could make such payment and still be solvent immediately thereafter. For the purposes of this Condition 3(a), the Issuer shall be solvent if (i) it is able to pay its debts owed to Senior Creditors as they fall due and (ii) its Assets exceed its Liabilities (other than its Liabilities to persons who are not Senior Creditors). A certificate as to the solvency of the Issuer by two directors of the Issuer or, if there is a winding-up or administration of the Issuer, the liquidator or, as the case may be, the administrator of the Issuer shall, in the absence of manifest error, be treated and accepted by the Issuer, the Trustee, the holders of the Notes and the Coupons relating to them and all other interested parties as correct and sufficient evidence thereof. In a winding-up of the Issuer, the amount payable in respect of the Notes and the Coupons relating to them shall be determined in accordance with the provisions described in Condition 3(b) below.

# (ii) Solvency Claims

Without prejudice to the rest of these Conditions, amounts representing any payments of principal, premium or interest or any other amount including any damages awarded for breach of any obligations in respect of which the conditions referred to in Condition 3(a)(i) are not satisfied on the date upon which the same would otherwise be due and payable ("Solvency Claims") will be payable by the Issuer in a winding-up of the Issuer as provided in Condition 3(b). A Solvency Claim shall not bear interest.

# (b) Amounts payable on Winding-up

If at any time an order is made, or an effective resolution is passed for the winding-up of the Issuer (except in any such case, a solvent winding-up solely for the purposes of a reconstruction or amalgamation or the substitution in place of the Issuer of a successor in business of the Issuer, the terms of which reconstruction or amalgamation or substitution (i) have previously been approved in writing by the Trustee or by an

Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Trust Deed) of the Noteholders and (ii) do not provide that the Notes shall thereby become payable) or an administrator of the Issuer is appointed and the administrator has given notice that it intends to declare and distribute a dividend, there shall be payable on each Note (in lieu of any other payment, but subject as provided in this Condition 3) such amount, if any, as would have been payable to the holder thereof if, on the date prior to the commencement of the winding-up or, as appropriate, notice and thereafter, such holder were the holder of a preference share in the capital of the Issuer having a preferential right to a return of assets in the winding-up over the holders of all issued shares for the time being in the capital of the Issuer but ranking junior to the claims of the Senior Creditors on the assumption that such preference share was entitled to receive on a return of assets in such winding-up an amount equal to the principal amount of such Note, together with Arrears of Interest, if any, and any interest (other than Arrears of Interest) which has accrued up to, but excluding, the date of repayment (as provided in the Trust Deed) in respect thereof.

# (c) Set-off, etc.

Subject to applicable law, no holder of the Notes and the Coupons relating to them may exercise, claim or plead any right of set-off, compensation or retention in respect of any amount owed to it by the Issuer arising under or in connection with the Notes and the Coupons relating to them and each holder of the Notes and the Coupons relating to them shall, by virtue of being the holder of any Note or Coupon, be deemed to have waived all such rights of set-off, compensation or retention. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, if any of the amounts owing to any holder of the Notes or Coupons relating to them by the Issuer is discharged by set-off, such holder shall, subject to applicable law, immediately pay an amount equal to the amount of such discharge to the Issuer or, in the event of its winding-up or administration, the liquidator or administrator as appropriate of the Issuer for payment to the Senior Creditors in respect of amounts owing to them by the Issuer, and, until such time as payment is made, shall hold an amount equal to such amount in trust for the Issuer, or the liquidator or administrator as appropriate of the Issuer (as the case may be), for payment to the Senior Creditors in respect of amounts owing to them by the Issuer and accordingly any such discharge shall be deemed not to have taken place.

As used in this Condition 3, the expression "obligations" includes any direct or indirect obligations of the Issuer and whether by way of guarantee, indemnity, other contractual support arrangement or otherwise and regardless of name or designation.

On a winding-up of the Issuer, there may be no surplus assets available to meet the claims of the Noteholders after the claims of the parties ranking senior to the Noteholders (as provided in Condition 3) have been satisfied.

#### 4 Interest and other Calculations

## (a) Interest on Fixed Rate Notes

Subject to Conditions 3(a) and 5, each Fixed Rate Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date at the rate per annum (expressed as a percentage) equal to the Rate of Interest, such interest being payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date. The amount of interest payable shall be determined in accordance with Condition 4(d).

# (b) Interest on Floating Rate Notes

#### (i) Interest Payment Dates

Subject to Condition 5, each Floating Rate Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date at the rate per annum (expressed as a percentage) equal to the Rate of Interest, such interest being payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date. The amount of interest payable shall be determined in accordance with Condition 4(d). Such Interest Payment Date(s) is/are either shown hereon as Specified Interest Payment Dates or, if no Specified Interest Payment Date(s) is/are shown hereon, Interest Payment Date shall mean each date which falls the number of months or other period shown hereon as the Specified Period after the preceding Interest Payment Date or, in the case of the first Interest Payment Date, after the Interest Commencement Date.

#### (ii) Business Day Convention

If any date referred to in these Conditions that is specified to be subject to adjustment in accordance with a Business Day Convention would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Business Day, then, if the Business Day Convention specified is (A) the Floating Rate Business Day Convention, such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event (x) such date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day and (y) each such subsequent date shall be the last Business Day of the month in which such date would have fallen had it not been subject to adjustment, (B) the Following Business Day Convention, such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day, (C) the Modified Following Business Day Convention, such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event such date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day Convention, such date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day.

## (iii) Rate of Interest for Floating Rate Notes

The Rate of Interest in respect of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Accrual Period shall be determined in the manner specified hereon and the provisions below relating to either ISDA Determination or Screen Rate Determination shall apply, depending upon which is specified hereon.

(A) ISDA Determination for Floating Rate Notes

Where ISDA Determination is specified hereon as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Accrual Period shall be determined by the Calculation Agent as a rate equal to the relevant ISDA Rate. For the purposes of this sub-paragraph (A), "ISDA Rate" for an Interest Accrual Period means a rate equal to the Floating Rate that would be determined by the Calculation Agent under a Swap Transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the ISDA Definitions and under which:

- (x) the Floating Rate Option is as specified hereon;
- (y) the Designated Maturity is a period specified hereon; and
- (z) the relevant Reset Date is the first day of that Interest Accrual Period unless otherwise specified hereon.

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

- (B) Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Notes
  - (x) Where Screen Rate Determination is specified hereon as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Accrual Period will, subject as provided below, be either:
    - (1) the offered quotation; or
    - (2) the arithmetic mean 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 as determined by the Calculation 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 Calculation Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean of such offered quotations.

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
- (y) If the Relevant Screen Page is not available, or if sub-paragraph (x)(1) applies and no such offered quotation appears on the Relevant Screen Page, or if sub-paragraph (x)(2) above applies and fewer than three such offered quotations appear on the Relevant Screen Page in each case as at the time specified above, subject as provided below, the Calculation Agent shall request, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, the principal London office of each of the Reference Banks or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, the principal Euro-zone office of each of the Reference Banks, to provide the Calculation Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time), or if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Brussels time) on the Interest Determination Date in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such offered quotations, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be the arithmetic mean of such offered quotations as determined by the Calculation Agent.
- (z) If paragraph (y) above applies and the Calculation Agent determines that fewer than two Reference Banks are providing offered quotations, subject as provided below, the Rate of Interest shall be the arithmetic mean of the rates per annum (expressed as a percentage) as communicated to (and at the request of) the Calculation Agent by the Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time) or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Brussels 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, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, the London inter-bank market or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, the Euro-zone inter-bank market, as the case may be, or, if fewer than two of the Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such 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 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, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time) or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Brussels time), on the relevant Interest Determination Date, any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the Trustee and the Issuer suitable for such purpose) informs the Calculation Agent it is quoting to leading banks in, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, the London inter-bank market or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, the Euro-zone inter-bank market, as the case may be, 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 or Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest is to be applied to the relevant Interest Accrual Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Accrual Period, the Margin or Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest relating to the relevant Interest Accrual Period, in place of the Margin or Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest relating to that last preceding Interest Accrual Period).

# (c) Margin, Maximum/Minimum Rates of Interest and Rounding

(i) If any Margin is specified hereon (either (x) generally, or (y) in relation to one or more Interest Accrual Periods), an adjustment shall be made to all Rates of Interest, in the case of (x), or the Rates of Interest for the specified Interest Accrual Periods, in the case of (y), calculated in accordance with Condition 4(b) above by adding (if a positive number) or subtracting the absolute value (if a negative number) of such Margin, subject always to the next paragraph.

- (ii) If any Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest is specified hereon, then any Rate of Interest shall be subject to such maximum or minimum, as the case may be.
- (iii) For the purposes of any calculations required pursuant to these Conditions (unless otherwise specified), (x) all percentages resulting from such calculations shall be rounded, if necessary, to the nearest one hundred-thousandth of a percentage point (with halves being rounded up), (y) all figures shall be rounded to seven significant figures (with halves being rounded up) and (z) all currency amounts that fall due and payable shall be rounded to the nearest unit of such currency (with halves being rounded up), save in the case of yen, which shall be rounded down to the nearest yen. For these purposes "unit" means the lowest amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country[ies] of such currency.

#### (d) Calculations

The amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount in respect of any Note for any Interest Accrual Period shall be equal to the product of the Rate of Interest, the Calculation Amount specified hereon, and the Day Count Fraction for such Interest Accrual Period, unless an Interest Amount (or a formula for its calculation) is applicable to such Interest Accrual Period, in which case the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount in respect of such Note for such Interest Accrual Period shall equal such Interest Amount (or be calculated in accordance with such formula). Where any Interest Period comprises two or more Interest Accrual Periods, the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount in respect of such Interest Period shall be the sum of the Interest Amounts payable in respect of each of those Interest Accrual Periods. In respect of any other period for which interest is required to be calculated the provisions above shall apply save that the Day Count Fraction shall be for the period for which interest is required to be calculated. Where the Specified Denomination comprises more than one Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Note shall be the aggregate of the amounts (determined in the manner provided above) for each Calculation Amount comprising the Specified Denomination.

# (e) Determination and Publication of Rates of Interest, Interest Amounts and Redemption Amounts

The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable on each Interest Determination Date, or such other time on such date as the Calculation Agent may be required to calculate any rate or amount, obtain any quotation or make any determination or calculation, determine such rate and calculate the Interest Amounts for the relevant Interest Accrual Period, calculate the Optional Redemption Amount or Capital Disqualification Redemption Price, obtain such quotation or make such determination or calculation, as the case may be, and cause the Rate of Interest and the Interest Amounts for each Interest Accrual Period and the relevant Interest Payment Date and, if required to be calculated, Optional Redemption Amount or Capital Disqualification Redemption Price to be notified to the Trustee, the Issuer, each of the Paying Agents, the Noteholders, any other Calculation Agent appointed in respect of the Notes that is to make a further calculation upon receipt of such information and, if the Notes are listed on a stock exchange and the rules of such exchange or other relevant authority so require, such exchange or other relevant authority as soon as possible after their determination but in no event later than (i) the commencement of the relevant Interest Period, if determined prior to such time, in the case of notification to such exchange of a Rate of Interest and Interest Amount, or (ii) in all other cases, the fourth Business Day after such determination. Where any Interest Payment Date or Interest Period Date is subject to adjustment pursuant to Condition 4(b)(ii), the Interest Amounts and the Interest Payment Date so published may subsequently be amended (or appropriate alternative arrangements made with the consent of the Trustee by way of adjustment) without notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the Interest Period. If the Notes become due and payable under Condition 10, the accrued interest and the Rate of Interest payable in respect of the Notes shall nevertheless continue to be calculated as previously in accordance with this Condition but no publication of the Rate of Interest or the Interest Amount so calculated need be made unless the Trustee otherwise requires. The determination of any rate or amount, the obtaining of each quotation and the making of each determination or calculation by the Calculation Agent(s) shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

#### (f) Determination or Calculation by Trustee

If the Calculation Agent does not at any time for any reason determine or calculate the Rate of Interest for an Interest Accrual Period or any Interest Amount, Optional Redemption Amount or Capital Disqualification Redemption Price, the Trustee shall do so (or shall appoint an agent on its behalf to do so) and such determination or calculation shall be deemed to have been made by the Calculation Agent. In doing so, the Trustee shall apply the foregoing provisions of this Condition, with any necessary consequential amendments, to the extent that, in its opinion, it can do so, and, in all other respects it shall do so in such manner as it shall deem fair and reasonable in all the circumstances.

# (g) Definitions

In these Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, the following defined terms shall have the meanings set out below:

"Business Day" means:

- (i) in the case of a currency other than euro, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the principal financial centre for such currency and/or
- (ii) in the case of euro, a day on which the TARGET system is operating (a "TARGET Business Day") and/or
- (iii) in the case of a currency and/or one or more Additional Business Centres a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in such currency in the Additional Business Centre(s) or, if no currency is indicated, generally in each of the Additional Business Centres.

"Day Count Fraction" means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest on any Note for any period of time (from and including the first day of such period to but excluding the last) (whether or not constituting an Interest Period or Interest Accrual Period, the "Calculation Period"):

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

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

where:

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

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

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

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

"D<sub>1</sub>" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>1</sub> will be 30; and

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

(v) if "30E/360" or "Eurobond Basis" is specified hereon, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

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

where:

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

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

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

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

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

"D<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>2</sub> will be 30;

(vi) if "30E/360 (ISDA)" is specified hereon, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

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

where:

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

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

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

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

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation 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 Calculation 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; and

- (vii) if "Actual/Actual-ICMA" is specified hereon,
  - (a) if the Calculation Period is equal to or shorter than the Determination Period during which it falls, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year; and

- (b) if the Calculation Period is longer than one Determination Period, the sum of:
  - (x) the number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the Determination Period in which it begins divided by the product of (1) the number of days in such Determination Period and (2) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year; and
  - (y) the number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the next Determination Period divided by the product of (1) the number of days in such Determination Period and (2) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year;

where:

"Determination Date" means the date specified as such hereon or, if none is so specified, the Interest Payment Date; and

"Determination Period" means the period from and including a Determination Date in any year to but excluding the next Determination Date.

"Euro-zone" means the region comprised of member states of the European Union that adopt the single currency in accordance with the Treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

"Interest Accrual Period" means the period beginning on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and ending on (but excluding) the first Interest Period Date and each successive period beginning on (and including) an Interest Period Date and ending on (but excluding) the next succeeding Interest Period Date.

"Interest Amount" means in respect of an Interest Accrual Period, the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount for that Interest Accrual Period and which, in the case of Fixed Rate Notes, and unless otherwise specified hereon, shall mean the Fixed Coupon Amount or Broken Amount specified hereon as being payable on the Interest Payment Date ending the Interest Period of which such Interest Accrual Period forms part and, in respect of any other period, the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount for that period.

"Interest Commencement Date" means the Issue Date or such other date as may be specified hereon.

"Interest Determination Date" means, with respect to a Rate of Interest and Interest Accrual Period, the date specified as such hereon or, if none is so specified, (i) the first day of such Interest Accrual Period if the Specified Currency is sterling or (ii) the day falling two Business Days in London prior to the first day of such Interest Accrual Period if the Specified Currency is neither sterling nor euro or (iii) the day falling two TARGET Business Days prior to the first day of such Interest Accrual Period if the Specified Currency is euro.

"Interest Period" means the period beginning on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and ending on (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each successive period beginning on (and including) an Interest Payment Date and ending on (but excluding) the next succeeding Interest Payment Date.

"Interest Period Date" means each Interest Payment Date unless otherwise specified hereon.

"ISDA Definitions" means the 2006 ISDA Definitions as amended or supplemented, as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. unless otherwise specified hereon.

"Rate of Interest" means the rate of interest payable from time to time in respect of this Note and that is either specified or calculated in accordance with the provisions hereon.

"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 Calculation Agent or as specified hereon.

"Reference Rate" means the rate specified as such hereon.

"Relevant Screen Page" means such page, section, caption, column or other part of a particular information service as may be specified hereon.

"Specified Currency" means the currency specified as such hereon or, if none is specified, the currency in which the Notes are denominated.

"TARGET System" means the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET) System or any successor thereto.

## (h) Calculation Agent

The Issuer shall procure that there shall at all times be one or more Calculation Agents if provision is made for them hereon and for so long as any Note is outstanding (as defined in the Trust Deed). Where more than one Calculation Agent is appointed in respect of the Notes, references in these Conditions to the Calculation Agent shall be construed as each Calculation Agent performing its respective duties under the Conditions. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or if the Calculation Agent fails duly to establish the Rate of Interest for an Interest Period or Interest Accrual Period or to calculate any Interest Amount, Optional Redemption Amount or Capital Disqualification Redemption Price, as the case may be, or to comply with any other requirement, the Issuer shall (with the prior approval of the Trustee) appoint a leading bank or investment banking firm engaged in the interbank market (or, if appropriate, money, swap or overthe-counter index options market) that is most closely connected with the calculation or determination to be made by the Calculation Agent (acting through its principal London office or any other office actively involved in such market) to act as such in its place. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been appointed as aforesaid.

# 5 Deferral of Payments

#### (a) Optional Deferral of Interest – Option A Notes

The Issuer has no obligation to pay any Interest Payment so long as it exercises its right to defer any Interest Payment in accordance with Condition 5(a). This is as a result of the Issuer having the right to defer any Interest Payment otherwise scheduled to be paid on an Interest Payment Date pursuant to Condition 5(a).

The Issuer may elect to defer any payment of interest on the Option A Notes (being those Notes that specify their status as Option A Notes) which would otherwise be payable on an Interest Payment Date by giving notice (the "Deferral Notice") of such election to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 16 and to the Trustee not less than 14 days prior to the relevant Interest Payment Date.

The deferral of any interest payment on any Interest Payment Date in accordance with this Condition 5(a) will not constitute a default by the Issuer and will not give Noteholders or the Trustee any right to accelerate the Notes.

#### (b) Optional Deferral of Interest – Option B Notes

For so long as (a) the Notes are capable of counting (save, in circumstances where such Notes would not be capable of counting, where such non-qualification is only as a result of any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital) as cover for the minimum capital resources requirement applicable to the Issuer under the Directive or the Relevant Rules (as defined in Condition 18) or (b) a Capital Breach Event has occurred and is continuing or is likely to occur as a result of making payment the Issuer has no obligation to pay any Interest Payment so long as it exercises its right to defer any Interest Payment in accordance with Condition 5(b). This is the result of the Issuer having the right to defer any Interest Payment otherwise scheduled to be paid on any Discretionary Interest Payment Date pursuant to Condition 5(b).

The Issuer may, on any Discretionary Interest Payment Date (as defined below), elect to defer payment of interest on the Option B Notes (being those Notes that specify their status as Option B Notes) which would otherwise be payable on such date by giving notice (the "Deferral Notice") of such election to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 16 and the Trustee not less than 14 days prior to the relevant Discretionary Interest Payment Date. The Issuer shall (subject to Condition 3(a)) be obliged to pay interest accrued in an Interest Period which ends on an Interest Payment Date which is not a Discretionary Interest Payment Date.

The deferral of any interest payment on any Discretionary Interest Payment Date in accordance with this Condition 5(b) will not constitute a default by the Issuer and will not give Noteholders or the Trustee any right to accelerate the Notes.

## (c) Arrears of Interest

If, on any Interest Payment Date, interest in respect of the Option A Notes or, on any Discretionary Interest Payment Date, interest in respect of the Option B Notes shall not have been paid as a result of the exercise by the Issuer of its discretion pursuant to Condition 5(a) or Condition 5(b), as appropriate, then from the date of such Interest Payment Date or Discretionary Interest Payment Date, as appropriate, until such time as the full amount of the relevant Arrears of Interest (as defined below) has been received by the Noteholders or the Trustee and no other payment of Arrears of Interest remains unsatisfied, the Issuer shall not (i) declare or pay any distribution or dividend or make any other payment on, and will procure that no distribution or other payment is made on, any Junior Securities or any Parity Securities, save where the Issuer is not able to defer, pass or eliminate or continue to defer, pass or eliminate a dividend or other distribution or any other payment in accordance with the terms and conditions of those Junior Securities or Parity Securities or (ii) redeem, purchase, cancel, reduce or otherwise acquire any Junior Securities or any Parity Securities.

Any interest in respect of the Notes not paid on an Interest Payment Date or Discretionary Interest Payment Date (as appropriate), together with any other interest in respect thereof not paid on any earlier Interest Payment Date or Discretionary Interest Payment Date (as appropriate), in each case by virtue of Condition 5(a) or Condition 5(b), as appropriate, shall, so long as the same remains unpaid, constitute "Arrears of Interest". Any Arrears of Interest and any other amount, payment of which is deferred in accordance with Condition 5(a) or Condition 5(b), as appropriate, may (subject to Condition 3(a)) be paid in whole or in part at any time upon the expiry of not less than 14 days' notice to such effect given to the Trustee and to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 16 (the "Optional Deferred Interest Payment Date"), and in any event will automatically become immediately due and payable (without the requirement of any prior written notice to, or absence of objection from, the FSA) in whole upon the earlier of the following dates (the "Resumption Date"):

- (i) the date on which an order is made or a resolution is passed for the winding-up of the Issuer (other than a solvent winding-up solely for the purposes of a reconstruction or amalgamation or the substitution in place of the Issuer of a successor in business of the Issuer, the terms of which reconstruction, amalgamation or substitution (i) have previously been approved in writing by the Trustee or by an Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Trust Deed) and (ii) do not provide that the Notes shall thereby become payable) or the date on which any administrator of the Issuer gives notice that it intends to declare and distribute a dividend; or
- (ii) the date fixed for any redemption or purchase of Notes by or on behalf of the Issuer pursuant to Condition 6 or Condition 10(a).

#### (d) No default

Notwithstanding any other provision in these Conditions or the Trust Deed, any payment which for the time being is not made by virtue of Condition 5(a) or Condition 5(b), as appropriate, shall not constitute a default for any purpose (including, but without limitation, Condition 10) on the part of the Issuer. Arrears of Interest and any other amount, payment of which is so deferred, shall not themselves bear interest.

# 6 Redemption, Substitution, Variation, Purchase and Options

#### (a) Redemption

The Notes have no final maturity date and are only redeemable or repayable in accordance with the following provisions of this Condition 6 and Condition 10.

# (b) Conditions to Redemption, Substitution, Variation or Purchase

Any redemption, substitution, variation or purchase of the Notes is (i) subject to the Issuer giving at least six months' prior written notice to, and receiving no objection from (or in the case of any redemption,

substitution or variation of the terms of the Notes prior to the fifth anniversary of the Issue Date of the Notes, receiving a waiver from), the FSA (or such other period of notice as the FSA may from time to time require or accept and, in any event, provided that any such notice is required to be given), (ii) subject to the Issuer (both at the time of, and immediately following, the redemption, substitution, variation or purchase) being in compliance with the capital resources requirements applicable to it from time to time (and a certificate from any two Directors confirming such compliance shall be conclusive evidence of such compliance) and (iii) conditional on all Arrears of Interest and interest accrued (if any) being satisfied in full on or prior to the date thereof.

#### (c) Redemption, Substitution or Variation Due to Taxation

If immediately prior to the giving of the notice referred to below:

- as a result of a change in or proposed change in, or amendment or proposed amendment to, the laws (i) or regulations of the United Kingdom or any political subdivision or authority therein or thereof having the power to tax, including any treaty to which the United Kingdom is a party, or any change in the application of official or generally published interpretation of such laws, including a decision of any court or tribunal, or any interpretation or pronouncement by any relevant tax authority that provides for a position with respect to such laws or regulations that differs from the previously generally accepted position in relation to similar transactions (in respect of securities similar to the Notes and which are capable of constituting Upper Tier 2 Capital) or which differs from any specific written confirmation given by a tax authority in respect of the Notes, which change or amendment (x) (subject to (y)) becomes, or would become, effective on or after the Issue Date of the Notes (the "Tax Law Change Date"), or (y) in the case of a change or proposed change in law if such change is enacted (or, in the case of a proposed change, is expected to be enacted) by United Kingdom Act of Parliament or by Statutory Instrument, on or after the Tax Law Change Date (a "Tax Law Change"), in making any payments on the Notes, the Issuer has paid or will or would on the next payment date be required to pay Additional Amounts (as defined in Condition 8) on the Notes and the Issuer cannot avoid the foregoing in connection with the Notes by taking measures reasonably available to it; or
- (ii) as a result of a Tax Law Change in respect of the Issuer's obligation to make any payment of interest on the next following Interest Payment Date, (x) the Issuer would not be entitled to claim a deduction in respect of computing its taxation liabilities in the United Kingdom, or such entitlement is materially reduced; (y) the Issuer would not to any material extent be entitled to have such deduction set against the profits of companies with which it is grouped for applicable United Kingdom tax purposes (whether under the group relief system current as at the Tax Law Change Date or any similar system or systems having like effect as may from time to time exist); or (z) the Issuer would otherwise suffer adverse tax consequences, and in each such case the Issuer cannot avoid the foregoing in connection with the Notes by taking measures reasonably available to it, then:
- (aa) the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b) and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in accordance with Condition 16, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), redeem in accordance with these Conditions (unless otherwise specified hereon) at any time (if and for so long as this Note is not a Floating Rate Note) or on any Interest Payment Date (if and for so long as this Note is a Floating Rate Note) all, but not some only, of the Notes at their principal amount, together with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption in accordance with these Conditions and any Arrears of Interest; or
- (bb) the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b) (without any requirement for the consent or approval of the Noteholders) and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in accordance with Condition 16, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), substitute at any time all (and not some only) of the Notes for, or vary the terms of the Notes so that they become, Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities, and the Trustee shall (subject to the following provisions of this paragraph (bb) and subject to the receipt by it of the certificates of the Directors of the Issuer referred to below and in the definition of Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities) agree to such substitution or variation. In connection therewith, all Arrears of Interest (if any) will be satisfied. The Trustee shall use its reasonable endeavours to assist the Issuer in the substitution or variation of the Notes for or into Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities provided that the Trustee shall not be obliged to participate or assist in any such substitution or variation if the terms of the securities

into which the Notes are to be substituted or are to be varied impose, in the Trustee's opinion, more onerous obligations upon it. If the Trustee does not so participate or assist as provided above, the Issuer may, subject as provided above, redeem the Notes as provided above.

Prior to the publication of any notice of substitution, variation or redemption pursuant to this Condition 6(c) the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two Directors of the Issuer stating that the relevant requirement or circumstance referred to in paragraph (i) or (ii) above applies and the Trustee shall accept such certificate as sufficient evidence of the satisfaction of the conditions precedent set out in such paragraphs in which event it shall be conclusive and binding on the Noteholders. Upon expiry of such notice the Issuer shall either redeem, vary or substitute the Notes, as the case may be.

In connection with any substitution or variation in accordance with this Condition 6(c), the Issuer shall comply with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Notes are for the time being listed or admitted to trading, and (for so long as the Notes are listed on the Official List of the FSA in its capacity as competent authority under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "FSMA") and admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's EEA Regulated Market) shall publish a supplement in connection therewith if the Issuer is required to do so in order to comply with Section 87 of the FSMA.

## (d) Redemption at the Option of the Issuer

Unless the Issuer shall have given notice to redeem the Notes under Condition 6(c) or Condition 6(e) on or prior to the expiration of the notice referred to below, and if Call Option is specified hereon, the Issuer may at its option, subject to Condition 6(b), and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' irrevocable notice to the Noteholders (or such other notice period as may be specified hereon) redeem all or, if so provided, some of the Notes on any Optional Redemption Date. Any such redemption of Notes shall be at their Optional Redemption Amount together with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption in accordance with these Conditions and any Arrears of Interest. Any such redemption or exercise must relate to Notes of a nominal amount at least equal to the Minimum Redemption Amount to be redeemed specified hereon and no greater than the Maximum Redemption Amount to be redeemed specified hereon.

All Notes in respect of which any such notice is given shall be redeemed, or the Issuer's option shall be exercised, on the date specified in such notice in accordance with this Condition.

In the case of a partial redemption or a partial exercise of an Issuer's option, the notice to Noteholders shall also contain the certificate numbers of the Notes to be redeemed or in respect of which such option has been exercised, which shall have been drawn in such place as the Trustee may approve and in such manner as it deems appropriate, subject to compliance with any applicable laws and stock exchange or other relevant authority requirements.

# (e) Redemption, Substitution or Variation at the Option of the Issuer due to Capital Disqualification Event If Capital Disqualification Call is specified hereon and immediately prior to the giving of the notice referred to below a Capital Disqualification Event has occurred and is continuing, then:

- (i) the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b) and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 16, the Trustee and the Issuing and Paying Agent (which notice shall be irrevocable), redeem in accordance with these Conditions all, but not some only, of the Notes (unless otherwise specified hereon) at any time or, if and for so long as this Note is a Floating Rate Note, on any Interest Payment Date. The Notes will be redeemed at their Capital Disqualification Redemption Price in each case together with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption in accordance with these Conditions and any Arrears of Interest; or
- (ii) the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b) (without any requirement for the consent or approval of the Noteholders) and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in accordance with Condition 16, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), substitute at any time all (and not some only) of the Notes for, or vary the terms of the Notes so that they become, Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities, and the Trustee shall (subject to the following provisions of this paragraph (ii) and subject to the receipt by it of the certificates of the

Directors of the Issuer referred to below and in the definition of Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities) agree to such substitution or variation. In connection therewith all Arrears of Interest (if any) will be satisfied. The Trustee shall use its reasonable endeavours to assist the Issuer in the substitution or variation of the Notes for or into Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities provided that the Trustee shall not be obliged to participate or assist in any such substitution or variation if the terms of the securities into which the Notes are to be substituted or are to be varied impose, in the Trustee's opinion, more onerous obligations upon it. If the Trustee does not so participate or assist as provided above, the Issuer may, subject as provided above, redeem the Notes as provided above.

Prior to the publication of any notice of substitution, variation or redemption pursuant to this Condition 6(e) the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two Directors stating that a Capital Disqualification Event has occurred and is continuing as at the date of the certificate, and the Trustee shall accept such certificate as sufficient evidence of the occurrence and continuation of a Capital Disqualification Event in which event it shall be conclusive and binding on the Trustee and the Noteholders. Upon expiry of such notice the Issuer shall either redeem, vary or substitute the Notes, as the case may be.

In connection with any substitution or variation in accordance with this Condition 6(e), the Issuer shall comply with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Notes are for the time being listed or admitted to trading.

#### (f) Purchases

The Issuer and any of its Subsidiaries for the time being may, having given prior written notice to, and received no objection from, the FSA (so long as such notice is required to be given), at any time purchase Notes (provided that all unmatured Coupons and unexchanged Talons relating thereto are attached thereto or surrendered therewith) in the open market or otherwise at any price.

As used in this Condition 6(f), "Subsidiary" means any entity which is for the time being a subsidiary (with the meaning of Section 736 of the Companies Act 1985) of the Issuer.

# (g) Cancellation

All Notes purchased by or on behalf of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries may be surrendered for cancellation, in the case of Bearer Notes, by surrendering each such Note together with all unmatured Coupons and all unexchanged Talons to the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in the case of Registered Notes, by surrendering the Certificate representing such Notes to the Registrar and, in each case, if so surrendered, shall, together with all Notes redeemed by the Issuer, be cancelled forthwith (together with all unmatured Coupons and unexchanged Talons attached thereto or surrendered therewith). Any Notes so surrendered for cancellation may not be reissued or resold and the obligations of the Issuer in respect of any such Notes shall be discharged.

# (h) Trustee Not Obliged to Monitor

The Trustee shall not be under any duty to monitor whether any event or circumstance has happened or exists within this Condition 6 and will not be responsible to Noteholders for any loss arising from any failure to do so. Unless and until the Trustee has actual knowledge of the occurrence of any event or circumstance within this Condition 6, it shall be entitled to assume that no such event or circumstance exists.

# 7 Payments and Talons

## (a) Bearer Notes

Payments of principal and interest in respect of Bearer Notes shall, subject as mentioned below, be made against presentation and surrender of the relevant Notes (in the case of all payments of principal and, in the case of interest, as specified in Condition 7(f)(iv)) or Coupons (in the case of interest, save as specified in Condition 7(f)(i)), as the case may be, at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States by a cheque payable in the relevant currency drawn on, or, at the option of the holder, by transfer to an

account denominated in such currency with, a Bank. "Bank" means a bank in the principal financial centre for such currency or, in the case of euro, in a city in which banks have access to the TARGET System.

#### (b) Registered Notes

- (i) Payments of principal in respect of Registered Notes shall be made against presentation and surrender of the relevant Certificates at the specified office of any of the Transfer Agents or of the Registrar and in the manner provided in paragraph (ii) below.
- (ii) Interest on Registered Notes shall be paid to the person shown on the Register at the close of business on the fifteenth day before the due date for payment thereof (the "Record Date"). Payments of interest on each Registered Note shall be made in the relevant currency by cheque drawn on a Bank and mailed to the holder (or to the first named of joint holders) of such Note at its address appearing in the Register. Upon application by the holder to the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent before the Record Date, such payment of interest may be made by transfer to an account in the relevant currency maintained by the payee with a Bank.

#### (c) Payments in the United States

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Bearer Notes are denominated in U.S. dollars, payments in respect thereof may be made at the specified office of any Paying Agent in New York City in the same manner as aforesaid if (i) the Issuer shall have appointed Paying Agents with specified offices outside the United States with the reasonable expectation that such Paying Agents would be able to make payment of the amounts on the Notes in the manner provided above when due, (ii) payment in full of such amounts at all such offices is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions on payment or receipt of such amounts and (iii) such payment is then permitted by United States law, without involving, in the opinion of the Issuer, any adverse tax consequence to the Issuer.

# (d) Payments subject to Fiscal Laws

All payments are subject in all cases to any applicable fiscal or other laws, regulations and directives, but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 8. No commission or expenses shall be charged to the Noteholders or Couponholders in respect of such payments.

# (e) Appointment of Agents

The Issuing and Paying Agent, the Paying Agents, the Registrar, the Transfer Agents and the Calculation Agent initially appointed by the Issuer and their respective specified offices are listed below. Subject as provided in the Agency Agreement, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Paying Agents, the Registrar, the Transfer Agents and the Calculation Agent act solely as agents of the Issuer and do not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any Noteholder or Couponholder. The Issuer reserves the right at any time with the approval of the Trustee to vary or terminate the appointment of the Issuing and Paying Agent, any other Paying Agent, the Registrar, any Transfer Agent or the Calculation Agent(s) and to appoint additional or other Paying Agents or Transfer Agents, provided that the Issuer shall at all times maintain (i) an Issuing and Paying Agent, (ii) a Registrar in relation to Registered Notes, (iii) a Transfer Agent in relation to Registered Notes, (iv) one or more Calculation Agent(s) where the Conditions so require, (v) a Paying Agent having a specified office in a European Union member state (so long as there is such a member state) that will not be obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive and (vi) a Paying Agent having specified offices in London so long as the Notes are admitted to the Official List of the Financial Services Authority in its capacity as competent authority under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's EEA Regulated Market.

In addition, the Issuer shall forthwith appoint a Paying Agent in New York City in respect of any Bearer Notes denominated in U.S. dollars in the circumstances described in Condition 7(c).

Notice of any such change or any change of any specified office shall promptly be given to the Noteholders.

# (f) Unmatured Coupons and unexchanged Talons

- (i) Upon the due date for redemption of any Bearer Note, unmatured Coupons relating to such Note (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect of them.
- (ii) Upon the due date for redemption of any Bearer Note, any unexchanged Talon relating to such Note (whether or not attached) shall become void and no Coupon shall be delivered in respect of such Talon.
- (iii) Where any Bearer Note is presented for redemption without all unmatured Coupons, and where any Bearer Note is presented for redemption without any unexchanged Talon relating to it, redemption shall be made only against the provision of such indemnity as the Issuer may require.
- (iv) If the due date for redemption of any Note is not a due date for payment of interest, interest accrued from the preceding due date for payment of interest or the Interest Commencement Date, as the case may be, shall only be payable against presentation (and surrender if appropriate) of the relevant Bearer Note or Certificate representing it, as the case may be. Interest accrued on a Note that only bears interest after its Maturity Date shall be payable on redemption of such Note against presentation of the relevant Note or Certificate representing it, as the case may be.

#### (g) Talons

On or after the Interest Payment Date for the final Coupon forming part of a Coupon sheet issued in respect of any Bearer Note, the Talon forming part of such Coupon sheet may be surrendered at the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent in exchange for a further Coupon sheet (and another Talon for a further Coupon sheet) (but excluding any Coupons that may have become void pursuant to Condition 9).

#### (h) Non-Business Days

If any date for payment in respect of any Note or Coupon is not a business day, the holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following business day nor to any interest or other sum in respect of such postponed payment. In this paragraph, "business day" means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business in the relevant place of presentation, in such jurisdictions as shall be specified as "Additional Financial Centres" hereon and:

- (i) (in the case of a payment in a currency other than euro) where payment is to be made by transfer to an account maintained with a bank in the relevant currency, on which foreign exchange transactions may be carried on in the relevant currency in the principal financial centre of the country of such currency or
- (ii) (in the case of a payment in euro) which is a TARGET Business Day.

## 8 Taxation

All payments of principal and interest by or on behalf of the Issuer in respect of the Notes and the Coupons shall be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of, any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by or within the United Kingdom or any authority therein or thereof having power to tax, unless such withholding or deduction is required by law. In that event, the Issuer shall pay such additional amounts as shall result in receipt by the Noteholders and Couponholders of such amounts as would have been received by them had no such withholding or deduction been required by law to be made, except that no such additional amounts shall be payable with respect to any Note or Coupon:

#### (a) Other connection

presented for payment by or on behalf of, a holder who is liable to such taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges in respect of such Note or Coupon by reason of his having some connection with the United Kingdom other than the mere holding of the Note or Coupon or

# (b) Lawful avoidance of withholding

presented for payment by or on behalf of, a holder who could lawfully avoid (but has not so avoided) such deduction or withholding by complying or procuring that any third party complies with any statutory

requirements or by making or procuring that any third party makes a declaration of non residence or other similar claim for exemption to any tax authority in the place where the relevant Note (or the Certificate representing it) or Coupon is presented for payment or

#### (c) Presentation more than 30 days after the Relevant Date

presented (or in respect of which the Certificate representing it is presented) for payment more than 30 days after the Relevant Date (as defined below) except to the extent that the holder of it would have been entitled to such additional amounts on presenting it for payment on the thirtieth day or

#### (d) Payment to individuals

where such withholding or deduction is imposed on a payment to an individual and is required to be made pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive or any agreement between the European Union and any jurisdiction providing for equivalent measures or

#### (e) Payment by another Paying Agent

(except in the case of the payment of interest in respect of Registered Notes) presented for payment by or on behalf of a holder who would have been able to avoid such withholding or deduction by presenting the relevant Note or Coupon to another Paying Agent (or, in the case of the payment of principal in respect of Registered Notes, another Transfer Agent or, if applicable, the Registrar) in a Member State of the European Union.

As used in these Conditions, "Relevant Date" in respect of any Note or Coupon means the date on which payment in respect of it first becomes due or (if any amount of the money payable is improperly withheld or refused) the date on which payment in full of the amount outstanding is made or (if earlier) the date seven days after that on which notice is duly given to the Noteholders that, upon further presentation of the Note (or relative Certificate) or Coupon being made in accordance with the Conditions, such payment will be made, provided that payment is in fact made upon such presentation. References in these Conditions to (i) "principal" shall be deemed to include any premium payable in respect of the Notes, Optional Redemption Amount, Capital Disqualification Event Redemption Price, and all other amounts in the nature of principal payable pursuant to Condition 6 or any amendment or supplement to it, (ii) "interest" shall be deemed to include all Interest Amounts and all other amounts payable pursuant to Condition 4 or any amendment or supplement to it and (iii) "principal" and/or "interest" shall be deemed to include any additional amounts that may be payable under this Condition or any undertaking given in addition to or in substitution for it under the Trust Deed ("Additional Amounts").

# 9 Prescription

Claims against the Issuer for payment in respect of the Notes and Coupons (which, for this purpose, shall not include Talons) shall be prescribed and become void unless made within 10 years (in the case of principal) or five years (in the case of interest) from the appropriate Relevant Date in respect of them.

# 10 Events of Default and Enforcement

Notwithstanding any of the provisions below in Condition 10, the right to institute proceedings is limited to circumstances where payment has become due. Pursuant to Condition 3(a), no payment will be due on the relevant payment date if the Issuer would not be solvent. Also, in the case of any Interest Payment, such payment will not be due if the Issuer has elected to defer that payment pursuant to Condition 5(a) or Condition 5(b), as appropriate.

# (a) Proceedings for Winding-up

If the Issuer shall not make payment in respect of the Notes (in the case of principal and/or premium) for a period of seven days or more after the due date for the same or (in the case of any interest) shall not make payment for a period of 14 days or more after the date on which such payment is due, the Issuer shall be deemed to be in default under the Trust Deed, the Notes and the Coupons and the Trustee may, notwithstanding the provisions of Condition 10(b), institute proceedings for the winding-up of the

Issuer and/or prove in the winding-up of the Issuer and/or claim in the liquidation of the Issuer for such payment.

#### (b) Enforcement

Without prejudice to Condition 10(a) above, the Trustee may at its discretion and without further notice institute such proceedings against the Issuer as it may think fit to enforce any obligation, condition or provision binding on the Issuer under the Trust Deed, the Notes or the Coupons (other than any payment obligation of the Issuer under or arising from the Notes, the Coupons or the Trust Deed including, without limitation, payment of any principal, premium or interest in respect of the Notes or the Coupons and any damages awarded for breach of any obligations) and in no event shall the Issuer, by virtue of the institution of any such proceedings, be obliged to pay any sum or sums sooner than the same would otherwise have been payable by it. Nothing in this Condition 10(b) shall however prevent the Trustee instituting proceedings for the winding-up of the Issuer, proving in any winding-up of the Issuer and/or claiming in any liquidation of the Issuer in respect of any payment obligations of the Issuer arising from the Notes, the Coupons or the Trust Deed (including damages awarded for the breach of any obligations).

## (c) Entitlement of the Trustee

The Trustee shall not be bound to take any of the actions referred to in Condition 10(a) or (b) above to enforce the obligations of the Issuer under the Trust Deed, the Notes or the Coupons unless (i) it shall have been so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Noteholders or so requested in writing by the holders of at least one-quarter in principal amount of the Notes then outstanding and (ii) it shall have been indemnified and/or secured to its satisfaction.

#### (d) Right of Noteholders

No Noteholder or Couponholder shall be entitled to proceed directly against the Issuer or to prove in the winding-up or claim in the liquidation of the Issuer unless the Trustee, having become so bound to proceed or being able to prove in such winding-up or claim in such liquidation, fails to do so within a reasonable period and such failure shall be continuing, in which case the Noteholder or Couponholder shall have only such rights against the Issuer as those which the Trustee is entitled to exercise as set out in this Condition 10. Any such proceedings brought by any Noteholder or Couponholder shall be brought in the name of the Trustee, subject to such Noteholder or Couponholder indemnifying the Trustee to its satisfaction.

#### (e) Extent of Noteholders' remedy

No remedy against the Issuer, other than as referred to in this Condition 10, shall be available to the Trustee or the Noteholders or Couponholders, whether for the recovery of amounts owing in respect of the Notes or under the Trust Deed or in respect of any breach by the Issuer of any of its other obligations under or in respect of the Notes, Coupons or under the Trust Deed.

# 11 Meetings of Noteholders, Modification, Waiver and Substitution

# (a) Meetings of Noteholders

The Trust Deed contains provisions for convening meetings of Noteholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the sanctioning by Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Trust Deed) of a modification of any of these Conditions or any provisions of the Trust Deed. Such a meeting may be convened by Noteholders holding not less than 10 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. The quorum for any meeting convened to consider an Extraordinary Resolution shall be one or more persons holding or representing a clear majority 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 held or represented, unless the business of such meeting includes consideration of proposals, *inter alia*, (i) to amend the dates of maturity or redemption of the Notes, or any date for payment of interest or Interest Amounts or Arrears of Interest on the Notes, (ii) to reduce or cancel the nominal amount of, or any premium payable on redemption of, the Notes, (iii) to reduce the rate or rates of interest or Arrears of Interest in respect of the Notes or to vary the method or basis of calculating the rate

or rates or amount of interest or the basis for calculating any Interest Amount in respect of the Notes, (iv) if a Minimum and/or a Maximum Rate of Interest is shown hereon, to reduce any such Minimum and/or Maximum, (v) to vary any method of, or basis for, calculating the Capital Disqualification Redemption Price or the Optional Redemption Amount, (vi) to vary the currency or currencies of payment or denomination of the Notes, (vii) to take any steps that as specified hereon may only be taken following approval by an Extraordinary Resolution to which the special quorum provisions apply, (viii) to modify the provisions concerning the quorum required at any meeting of Noteholders or the majority required to pass the Extraordinary Resolution, or (ix) to modify Condition 3, in which case the necessary quorum shall be one or more persons holding or representing not less than two-thirds, or at any adjourned meeting not less than onethird, in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. The agreement or approval of the Noteholders shall not be required in the case of any variation of these Conditions and/or the Trust Deed required to be made in the circumstances described in Conditions 6(c) or 6(e) in connection with the substitution or variation of the Notes so that they become Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities, and to which the Trustee has agreed pursuant to the relevant provisions of Conditions 6(c) or 6(e), as the case may be. Any Extraordinary Resolution duly passed shall be binding on Noteholders (whether or not they were present at the meeting at which such resolution was passed) and on all Couponholders.

These Conditions may be amended, modified or varied in relation to any Series of Notes by the terms of the relevant Final Terms in relation to such Series.

# (b) Modification of the Trust Deed

The Trustee may agree, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to (i) any modification of any of the provisions of the Trust Deed or the Agency Agreement that is in the opinion of the Trustee of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a manifest error, and (ii) any other modification (except as mentioned in the Trust Deed), and any waiver or authorisation of any breach or proposed breach, of any of these Conditions and the provisions of the Trust Deed or the Agency Agreement that is in the opinion of the Trustee not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders.

Any such modification, authorisation or waiver shall be binding on the Noteholders and the Couponholders and, if the Trustee so requires, such modification shall be notified to the Noteholders as soon as practicable.

#### (c) Notice to FSA

No modification to these Conditions or any other provisions of the Trust Deed shall become effective unless the Issuer shall have given at least one month's prior written notice to, and received no objection from, the FSA (or such other period of notice as the FSA may from time to time require or accept and, in any event, provided that there is a requirement to give such notice).

# (d) Substitution

The Trustee, if it is satisfied that so to do would not be materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders or Couponholders, may agree with the Issuer, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to the substitution on a subordinated basis equivalent to that referred to in Condition 3 of any person or persons incorporated in any country in the world (other than the United States) (the "Substitute Obligor") in place of the Issuer (or any previous Substitute Obligor under this Condition) as a new principal debtor under the Trust Deed, the Notes and the Coupons provided that:

- (i) a trust deed is executed or some other form of undertaking is given by the Substitute Obligor in form and manner satisfactory to the Trustee, agreeing to be bound by the terms of the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons, with any consequential amendments which the Trustee may deem appropriate, as fully as if the Substitute Obligor had been named in the Trust Deed and on the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons, as the principal debtor in place of the Issuer (or of any previous Substitute Obligor, as the case may be);
- (ii) (unless the successor in business of the Issuer is the Substitute Obligor) the obligations of the Substitute Obligor under the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons are guaranteed by the Issuer (or the successor in business of the Issuer) on a subordinated basis equivalent to that referred to in Condition 3 and in the Trust Deed and in a form and manner satisfactory to the Trustee;

- (iii) if the directors of the Substitute Obligor or other officers acceptable to the Trustee shall certify that the Substitute Obligor is solvent at the time at which the said substitution is proposed to be effected, the Trustee may rely absolutely on such certification and shall not be bound to have regard to the financial condition, profits or prospects of the Substitute Obligor or to compare the same with those of the Issuer;
- (iv) (without prejudice to the rights of reliance of the Trustee under sub-paragraph (iii) above) the Trustee is satisfied that the said substitution is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders;
- (v) (without prejudice to the generality of sub-paragraph (i) above) the Trustee may in the event of such substitution agree, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to a change in the law governing the Trust Deed and/or the Notes and/or the Coupons and/or the Talons, provided that such change would not in the opinion of the Trustee be materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders:
- (vi) if the Substitute Obligor is, or becomes, subject generally to the taxing jurisdiction of a territory or any authority of or in that territory with power to tax (the "Substituted Territory") other than the territory of the taxing jurisdiction of which (or to any such authority of or in which) the Issuer is subject generally (the "Issuer's Territory"), the Substitute Obligor will (unless the Trustee otherwise agrees) give to the Trustee an undertaking satisfactory to the Trustee in terms corresponding to Condition 8 with the substitution for the references in that Condition and in Condition 6(c) to the Issuer's Territory of references to the Substituted Territory whereupon the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons, will be read accordingly; and
- (vii) the Issuer and the Substitute Obligor comply with such other requirements as are reasonable in the interests of the Noteholders, as the Trustee may direct.

In connection with any proposed substitution as aforesaid, the Trustee shall have regard to the interests of the Noteholders as a class and the Trustee shall not have regard to the consequences of such substitution or such exercise for individual Noteholders or Couponholders resulting from their being for any purpose domiciled or resident in, or otherwise connected with, or subject to the jurisdiction of, any particular territory. In connection with any substitution or such exercise as aforesaid, no Noteholder or Couponholder shall be entitled to claim, whether from the Issuer, the Substitute Obligor or the Trustee or any other person, any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax consequence of any such substitution or any such exercise upon any individual Noteholders or Couponholders except to the extent already provided in Condition 8 and/or any undertaking given in addition thereto or in substitution therefor pursuant to the Trust Deed.

#### 12 Entitlement of the Trustee

In connection with the exercise of its functions (including but not limited to those referred to in Condition 11) the Trustee shall have regard to the interests of the Noteholders as a class and shall not have regard to the consequences of such exercise for individual Noteholders or Couponholders and the Trustee shall not be entitled to require, nor shall any Noteholder or Couponholder be entitled to claim, from the Issuer any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax consequence of any such exercise upon individual Noteholders or Couponholders.

#### 13 Indemnification of the Trustee

The Trust Deed contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee and for its relief from responsibility, including provisions relieving it from taking any action unless indemnified to its satisfaction. The Trustee is entitled to enter into business transactions with the Issuer and any entity related to the Issuer without accounting for any profit.

# 14 Replacement of Notes, Certificates, Coupons and Talons

If a Note, Certificate, Coupon or Talon is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be replaced, subject to applicable laws, regulations and stock exchange or other relevant authority regulations, at the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent (in the case of Bearer Notes, Coupons or Talons) and of the Registrar (in the case of Certificates) or such other Paying Agent or Transfer Agent, as the case may be, as may from time to time be designated by the Issuer for the purpose and notice of whose designation is given to Noteholders, in each case on payment by the claimant of the fees and costs incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence,

security and indemnity (which may provide, *inter alia*, that if the allegedly lost, stolen or destroyed Note, Certificate, Coupon or Talon is subsequently presented for payment or, as the case may be, for exchange for further Coupons, there shall be paid to the Issuer on demand the amount payable by the Issuer in respect of such Notes, Certificates, Coupons or further Coupons) and otherwise as the Issuer may require. Mutilated or defaced Notes, Certificates, Coupons or Talons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

#### 15 Further Issues

The Issuer may from time to time without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders create and issue further securities either having the same terms and conditions as the Notes in all respects (or in all respects except for the first payment of interest on them) and so that such further issue shall be consolidated and form a single series with the outstanding securities of any series (including the Notes) or upon such terms as the Issuer may determine at the time of their issue. References in these Conditions to the Notes include (unless the context requires otherwise) any other securities issued pursuant to this Condition and forming a single series with the Notes. Any further securities forming a single series with the outstanding securities of any series (including the Notes) constituted by the Trust Deed or any deed supplemental to it shall, and any other securities may (with the consent of the Trustee), be constituted by the Trust Deed. The Trust Deed contains provisions for convening a single meeting of the Noteholders and the holders of securities of other series where the Trustee so decides.

#### 16 Notices

Notices to the holders of Registered Notes shall be mailed to them at their respective addresses in the Register and deemed to have been given on the fourth weekday (being a day other than a Saturday or a Sunday) after the date of mailing. Notices to the holders of Bearer Notes shall be valid if published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in London (which is expected to be the Financial Times). If in the opinion of the Trustee any such publication is not practicable, notice shall be validly given if published in another leading daily English language newspaper with general circulation in Europe. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given on the date of such publication or, if published more than once or on different dates, on the first date on which publication is made, as provided above.

Couponholders shall be deemed for all purposes to have notice of the contents of any notice given to the holders of Bearer Notes in accordance with this Condition.

#### 17 Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

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

#### 18 Definitions

"Assets" means the unconsolidated gross assets of the Issuer, as shown in the latest published audited balance sheet of the Issuer, but adjusted for subsequent events, all in such manner as the directors of the Issuer may determine;

"Capital Breach Event" means the occurrence of a breach by the Issuer or the Group or any member of the Group of the United Kingdom capital adequacy requirements, guidelines or measures or any other regulatory capital requirements, guidelines or measures applicable to the Issuer or the Group or any member of the Group, as the case may be (whether or not such requirements, guidelines or measures have the force of law and whether they are applied generally or specifically to the Issuer or the Group or any member of the Group, as the case may be);

"Capital Disqualification Event" is deemed to have occurred (1) if under the Directive or the Relevant Rules, or as a result of any change thereto, the Notes would not be capable of counting (save where such non-qualification is only as a result of any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital) as cover for the minimum capital resources requirement applicable to the Issuer under the Directive or the Relevant Rules; or (2) if, at any time the Issuer or the Group is required under the Directive or the Relevant Rules to have Tier 2 Capital, the Notes would no longer be eligible to qualify (save as aforesaid) for inclusion in the Tier 2 Capital of the Issuer on a solo and/or consolidated basis;

"Directive" means Directive 98/78/EC of the European Union;

"Directors" means directors of the Issuer;

"Discretionary Interest Payment Date" means, in the case of Option B Notes, every Interest Payment Date with respect to which (I) an event of the type described under limb (I) of the definition of a Capital Disqualification Event has not occurred and is not continuing or (II) a Capital Breach Event has occurred prior to such Interest Payment Date and is continuing, or is reasonably likely to occur as a result of making the payments due, on such Interest Payment Date;

"European Economic Area" or "EEA" means the countries comprising the European Union together with Norway, Liechtenstein and Iceland:

"FSA" means the Financial Services Authority (or, if at any time the Financial Services Authority is not the relevant regulator, such other regulator as shall be the relevant regulator of insurance companies operating in the United Kingdom);

"Group" means the Issuer and its Subsidiaries;

"Junior Securities" means the Ordinary Shares, together with any other securities of any member of the Group ranking or expressed to rank junior to the Notes (either issued directly by the Issuer or by a subsidiary undertaking and the terms of which securities benefit from a guarantee or support agreement ranking or expressed to rank, junior to the Notes), save for the Priority Preference Shares;

"Liabilities" means the unconsolidated gross liabilities of the Issuer, as shown in the latest published audited balance sheet of the Issuer, but adjusted for contingent liabilities and for subsequent events, all in such manner as the directors of the Issuer may determine;

"Ordinary Shares" means the ordinary shares of the Issuer;

"Parity Securities" means any securities ranking, or expressed to rank, *pari passu* with the Notes whether issued directly by the Issuer or by a subsidiary undertaking and the terms of which securities benefit from a guarantee or support agreement ranking or expressed to rank, *pari passu* with the Notes;

"Priority Preference Shares" means the 100,000,000 8.375 per cent. cumulative irredeemable preference shares of £1 each or the the 100,000,000 8.75 per cent. cumulative irredeemable preference shares of £1 each, in each case issued by the Issuer;

"Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities" means securities issued directly or indirectly by the Issuer that:

- (a) have terms not materially less favourable to an investor (as reasonably determined by the Issuer, and provided that a certification to such effect of two Directors shall have been delivered to the Trustee prior to the issue of the relevant securities) than the terms of the Notes provided that (1) they shall contain terms which comply with the then current requirements of the FSA in relation to Upper Tier 2 Capital, (2) the same rate of interest from time to time applying to the Notes and (3) such securities preserve any existing rights under these Conditions to any accrued interest which has not been paid; and
- (b) are listed or admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's EEA Regulated Market, the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or such other stock exchange as is a Recognised Stock Exchange at that time as selected by the Issuer and approved by the Trustee;

"Recognised Stock Exchange" means a recognised stock exchange as defined in section 1005 of the Income Tax Act 2007 as the same may be amended from time to time and any provision, statute or statutory instrument replacing the same from time to time;

"Relevant Rules" means any legislation, rules or regulations (whether having the force of law or otherwise) in any state within the European Economic Area implementing the Directive;

"Relevant Supervisory Authority" means any regulator having jurisdiction over the Issuer or any of the EEA Regulated Subsidiaries;

"Senior Creditors" means (a) creditors of the Issuer who are unsubordinated creditors of the Issuer and (b) creditors of the Issuer whose claims are, or are expressed to be, subordinated to the claims of other creditors of the Issuer (other than those whose claims constitute, or would but for any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital, constitute Tier 1 Capital or whose claims rank, or are expressed to rank, *pari passu* with, or junior to, the claims of the Noteholders);

# 19 Governing Law

The Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law.

<sup>&</sup>quot;subsidiary" or "subsidiary undertaking" has the meaning given to subsidiary undertaking under section 258 of the Companies Act 1985;

<sup>&</sup>quot;Tax Event" means an event of the type described in Condition 6(c)(i) or (ii);

<sup>&</sup>quot;Tier 1 Capital" and "Tier 2 Capital" have the respective meanings given to them from time to time by the FSA; and

<sup>&</sup>quot;Upper Tier 2 Capital" has the meaning given to it from time to time by the FSA.

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE TIER 1 NOTES

The following is the text of the terms and conditions that, subject to completion and amendment and as supplemented or varied in accordance with the provisions of Part A of the relevant Final Terms and, if applicable, subject to any amendment or supplement set out in any applicable Supplemental Prospectus, shall be applicable to the Tier 1 Notes in definitive form (if any) issued in exchange for the Global Note(s) or Certificate(s) representing each Series of Tier 1 Notes. The full text of these terms and conditions together with the relevant provisions of Part A of the Final Terms and, if applicable, the relevant provisions of any applicable Supplemental Prospectus, shall be endorsed on such Bearer Notes or on the Certificates relating to such Registered Notes. Accordingly, references in these terms and conditions to provisions specified hereon shall be to provisions endorsed on the face of the relevant Note or set out in Part A of the relevant Final Terms and, if applicable, Supplemental Prospectus. All capitalised terms that are not defined in these Conditions will have the meanings given to them in Part A of the relevant Final Terms. Those definitions will be endorsed on the definitive Notes or Certificates, as the case may be. References in the Conditions to "Notes" are to the Tier 1 Notes of one Series only, not to all Notes that may be issued under the Programme.

The Notes are constituted by a Trust Deed (as amended or supplemented as at the date of issue of the Notes (the "Issue Date"), the "Trust Deed") dated 27 November 2007 between Aviva plc (the "Issuer"), Aviva International Insurance Limited and The Law Debenture Trust Corporation p.l.c. (the "Trustee", which expression shall include all persons for the time being the trustee or trustees under the Trust Deed) as trustee for the Noteholders (as defined below). These terms and conditions include summaries of, and are subject to, the detailed provisions of the Trust Deed, which includes the form of the Bearer Notes, Certificates, Coupons and Talons referred to below. An Agency Agreement dated 27 November 2007 (as amended or supplemented as at the Issue Date, the "Agency Agreement") has been entered into in relation to the Notes between the Issuer, Aviva International Insurance Limited, the Trustee, HSBC Bank plc as initial issuing and paying agent and the other agents named in it. The issuing and paying agent, the paying agents, the registrar, the transfer agents, the calculation agent(s) and the AISM calculation agent for the time being (if any) are referred to below respectively as the "Issuing and Paying Agent", the "Paying Agents" (which expression shall include the Issuing and Paying Agent), the "Registrar", the "Transfer Agents" (which expression shall include the Registrar), the "Calculation Agent(s)" and the "AISM Calculation Agent". An AISM calculation agency agreement dated on or before the Issue Date has been entered into between the Issuer, the Trustee and the AISM Calculation Agent (the "AISM Calculation Agency Agreement"). Copies of the Trust Deed, the Agency Agreement and any AISM Calculation Agency Agreement are available for inspection during usual business hours at the principal office of the Trustee (presently at Fifth Floor, 100 Wood Street, London EC2V 7EX, United Kingdom) and at the specified offices of the Paying Agents and the Transfer Agents.

The Noteholders and the holders of the interest coupons (the "Coupons") relating to interest bearing Notes in bearer form and, in the case of such Notes, talons for further Coupons (the "Talons") (the "Couponholders") are entitled to the benefit of, are bound by, and are deemed to have notice of, all the provisions of the Trust Deed and are deemed to have notice of those provisions applicable to them of the Agency Agreement.

As used in these Conditions, "Tranche" means Notes which are identical in all respects.

# 1 Form, Denomination and Title

The Notes are issued in bearer form ("Bearer Notes") or in registered form ("Registered Notes") in each case in the Specified Denomination(s) shown hereon provided that in the case of any Notes which are to be 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 (Directive 2003/71/EC), the minimum Specified Denomination shall be €50,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency as at the date of issue of the relevant Notes).

All registered Notes shall have the same Specified Denominations.

This Note is a Fixed Rate Note, a Floating Rate Note or a combination of the foregoing or any other kind of Note, depending upon the Interest Basis shown hereon.

Bearer Notes are serially numbered and are issued with Coupons and a Talon attached.

Registered Notes are represented by registered certificates ("Certificates") and, save as provided in Condition 2(b), each Certificate shall represent the entire holding of Registered Notes by the same holder.

Title to the Bearer Notes and the Coupons and Talons shall pass by delivery. Title to the Registered Notes shall pass upon registration in the register that the Issuer shall procure to be kept by the Registrar in accordance with the

provisions of the Agency Agreement (the "Register"). Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the holder (as defined below) of any Note, Coupon or Talon shall be deemed to be and may be treated as its absolute owner for all purposes whether or not it is overdue and regardless of any notice of ownership, trust or an interest in it, any writing on it (or on the Certificate representing it) or its theft or loss (or that of the related Certificate) and no person shall be liable for so treating the holder.

In these Conditions, "Noteholder" means the bearer of any Bearer Note or the person in whose name a Registered Note is registered (as the case may be), "holder" (in relation to a Note, Coupon or Talon) means the bearer of any Bearer Note, Coupon or Talon or the person in whose name a Registered Note is registered (as the case may be) and capitalised terms have the meanings given to them hereon, the absence of any such meaning indicating that such term is not applicable to the Notes.

# 2 Transfers of Registered Notes

#### (a) Transfer of Registered Notes

One or more Registered Notes may be transferred upon the surrender (at the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent) of the Certificate representing such Registered Notes to be transferred, together with the form of transfer (as set out in Schedule 1 of the Trust Deed) endorsed on such Certificate (or another form of transfer substantially in the same form and containing the same representations and certifications (if any), unless otherwise agreed by the Issuer), duly completed and executed and any other evidence as the Registrar or Transfer Agent may reasonably require. In the case of a transfer of part only of a holding of Registered Notes represented by one Certificate, a new Certificate shall be issued to the transferee in respect of the part transferred and a further new Certificate in respect of the balance of the holding not transferred shall be issued to the transferor. All transfers of Notes and entries on the Register will be made subject to the detailed regulations concerning transfers of Notes scheduled to the Agency Agreement. The regulations may be changed by the Issuer, with the prior written approval of the Registrar and the Trustee. A copy of the current regulations will be made available by the Registrar to any Noteholder upon request.

# (b) Exercise of Options or Partial Redemption in Respect of Registered Notes

In the case of an exercise of an Issuer's or Noteholder's option in respect of a holding of Registered Notes represented by a single Certificate or a partial redemption of a holding of Registered Notes represented by a single Certificate, a new Certificate shall be issued to the holder to reflect the exercise of such option or in respect of the balance of the holding not redeemed. In the case of a partial exercise of an option resulting in Registered Notes of the same holding having different terms, separate Certificates shall be issued in respect of those Notes of that holding that have the same terms. New Certificates shall only be issued against surrender of the existing Certificates to the Registrar or any Transfer Agent. In the case of a transfer of Registered Notes to a person who is already a holder of Registered Notes, a new Certificate representing the enlarged holding shall only be issued against surrender of the Certificate representing the existing holding.

# (c) Delivery of New Certificates

Each new Certificate to be issued pursuant to Conditions 2(a) or (b) shall be available for delivery within three business days of receipt of the form of transfer and surrender of the Certificate for exchange. Delivery of the new Certificate(s) shall be made at the specified office of the Transfer Agent or of the Registrar (as the case may be) to whom delivery or surrender of such form of transfer, Exercise Notice or Certificate shall have been made or, at the option of the holder making such delivery or surrender as aforesaid and as specified in the relevant form of transfer, Exercise Notice or otherwise in writing, be mailed by uninsured post at the risk of the holder entitled to the new Certificate to such address as may be so specified, unless such holder requests otherwise and pays in advance to the relevant Transfer Agent the costs of such other method of delivery and/or such insurance as it may specify. In this Condition 2(c), "business day" means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which banks are open for business in the place of the specified office of the relevant Transfer Agent or the Registrar (as the case may be).

#### (d) Transfer Free of Charge

Transfer of Notes and Certificates on registration, transfer, exercise of an option or partial redemption shall be effected without charge by or on behalf of the Issuer, the Registrar or the Transfer Agents, but upon payment of any tax or other governmental charges by the person submitting such Notes or Certificates that may be imposed in relation to it (or the giving of such indemnity as the Registrar or the relevant Transfer Agent may require).

#### (e) Closed Periods

No Noteholder may require the transfer of a Registered Note to be registered (i) during the period of 15 days ending on the due date for redemption of that Note, (ii) during the period of 15 days prior to any date on which Notes may be called for redemption by the Issuer at its option pursuant to Condition 6(d), (iii) after any such Note has been called for redemption or (iv) during the period of seven days ending on (and including) any Record Date.

#### 3 Status

#### (a) Status

The Notes and the Coupons relating to them constitute direct, unsecured and subordinated securities of the Issuer and rank, and will rank, *pari passu* without any preference among themselves.

## (b) Subordination

#### (i) Condition to Payment

The rights and claims of the holders of the Notes and the Coupons relating to them are subordinated to the claims of all Senior Creditors, in that payments in respect thereof or arising therefrom (including Coupons payable in cash or by way of the issue of Eligible Securities in accordance with Condition 5(c)) are conditional upon the Issuer being solvent at the time of payment by the Issuer (or at the time of issue of such Eligible Securities) and in that no principal, premium, or interest or any other amount shall be due and payable in respect of the Notes (including Coupons payable in cash or by way of the issue of Eligible Securities in accordance with Condition 5(c)) except to the extent that the Issuer could make such payment and still be solvent immediately thereafter, in each case except in the case where Condition 3(c) applies.

In these Conditions, the Issuer shall be considered to be solvent if (x) it is able to pay its debts owed to its Senior Creditors as they fall due and (y) its Assets exceed its Liabilities (other than its Liabilities to persons who are not Senior Creditors). A certificate as to the solvency of the Issuer by two Directors (or, if there is a winding up or administration of the Issuer, the liquidator or, as the case may be, administrator of the Issuer) shall, in the absence of manifest error, be treated and accepted by the Issuer, the Trustee, the holders of the Notes and the Coupons relating to them and all other interested parties as correct and sufficient evidence thereof.

The Issuer shall (except where Condition 3(c) applies) satisfy any Deferred Interest Payment which applies as a result of this Condition 3(b)(i) in the manner, and at the time, referred to in Condition 5.

## (ii) Solvency Claims

Without prejudice to the rest of these Conditions, amounts representing any payments of principal, premium or interest or any other amount including any damages awarded for breach of any obligations in respect of which the conditions referred to in Condition 3(b)(i) are not satisfied on the date upon which the same would otherwise be due and payable ("Solvency Claims") will be payable by the Issuer in a winding-up of the Issuer as provided in Condition 3(c). A Solvency Claim shall not bear interest.

#### (iii) Set-off

Subject to applicable law, no holders of the Notes and the Coupons relating to them may exercise, claim or plead any right of set-off, compensation or retention in respect of any amount owed to it by the Issuer arising under or in connection with the Notes and Coupons relating to them and each of the

holders of the Notes and the Coupons relating to them shall, by virtue of his holding of any Notes and the Coupons relating to them, be deemed to have waived all such rights of set-off, compensation or retention. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, if any of the amounts owing to any holders of the Notes and the Coupons relating to them by the Issuer is discharged by set-off, such holder shall, subject to applicable law, immediately pay an amount equal to the amount of such discharge to the Issuer or, in the event of its winding-up or administration, the liquidator or, as appropriate, administrator of the Issuer for payment to the Senior Creditors in respect of amounts owing to them by the Issuer, and, until such time as payment is made, shall hold an amount equal to such amount in trust for the Issuer, or the liquidator or, as appropriate, administrator of the Issuer (as the case may be), for payment to the Senior Creditors in respect of amounts owing to them by the Issuer, and accordingly any such discharge shall be deemed not to have taken place.

For the avoidance of doubt, if the Issuer would otherwise not be solvent for the purposes of the above Condition 3(b), any sums which would otherwise be payable in respect of the Notes will be available to meet the losses of the Issuer.

#### (c) Winding-up

If at any time an order is made, or an effective resolution is passed, for the winding-up of the Issuer (except in any such case, a solvent winding-up solely for the purposes of a reconstruction or amalgamation or the substitution in place of the Issuer of a successor in business of the Issuer, the terms of which reconstruction, amalgamation or substitution (i) have previously been approved in writing by the Trustee or by an Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Trust Deed) and (ii) do not provide that the Notes shall thereby become payable) or an administrator of the Issuer is appointed and the administrator has given notice that it intends to declare and distribute a dividend, there shall be payable by the Issuer in respect of each Note (in lieu of any other payment by the Issuer), such amount, if any, as would have been payable to the holder of such Note if, on the day prior to the commencement of the winding-up or, as appropriate notice and thereafter, such holder were the holder of shares in the capital of the Issuer as follows:

- (i) for each £1 (or, where the Specified Currency is other than pounds sterling, the Specified Currency Unit hereon) otherwise payable in respect of any Interest Payment, Deferred Interest Payment (which includes any Deferred Interest Payment which has not been settled in accordance with the AISM as a result of the Ordinary Shares Threshold, PIK Securities Threshold or Preferred Parity Securities Threshold, insufficiency or otherwise) or other amount payable in respect of, or arising from, each Note (including any damages awarded for breach of any obligations) in respect of which the conditions specified in Condition 3(b)(i) are not satisfied on the date on which the same would otherwise be due and payable or which otherwise have not been satisfied, apart from principal: one preference share of £1 (or, where the Specified Currency is other than pounds sterling, the Specified Currency Unit specified hereon) each in the capital of the Issuer ranking equally with the Notional Preference Shares;
- (ii) subject to (iii) below, for each £1 (or, where the Specified Currency is other than pounds sterling, the Specified Currency Unit specified hereon) otherwise payable in respect of the principal amount of each Note: such number of Ordinary Shares of the Issuer then in issue whose nominal value aggregates to £1 (or, where the Specified Currency is other than pounds sterling, the Specified Currency Unit specified hereon) ranking equally with the issued Ordinary Shares; and
- (iii) if and to the extent that the principal amount of each Note exceeds the amount of Deferred Interest Payments attributable to such Note (the "excess amount"), for each £1 (or, where the Specified Currency is other than pounds sterling, the Specified Currency Unit specified hereon) of excess amount otherwise payable in respect of, or arising from, such Note: one preference share of £1 (or, where the Specified Currency is other than pounds sterling, the Specified Currency Unit specified hereon) each in the capital of the Issuer ranking equally with the Notional Preference Shares.

On a winding-up of the Issuer, there may be no surplus assets available to meet the claims of the Noteholders after the claims of the parties ranking senior to the Noteholders (as provided in Condition 3) have been satisfied.

#### 4 Interest and other Calculations

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

Subject to Conditions 3(b)(i), 3(b)(ii) and 5, each Fixed Rate Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date at the rate per annum (expressed as a percentage) equal to the Rate of Interest, such interest being payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date. The amount of interest payable shall be determined in accordance with Condition 4(h).

#### (b) Interest on Floating Rate Notes

#### (i) Interest Payment Dates

Subject to Conditions 3(b)(i), 3(b)(ii) and 5, each Floating Rate Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date at the rate per annum (expressed as a percentage) equal to the Rate of Interest, such interest being payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date. The amount of interest payable shall be determined in accordance with Condition 4(h). Such Interest Payment Date(s) is/are either shown hereon as Specified Interest Payment Dates or, if no Specified Interest Payment Date(s) is/are shown hereon, Interest Payment Date shall mean each date which falls the number of months or other period shown hereon as the Specified Period after the preceding Interest Payment Date or, in the case of the first Interest Payment Date, after the Interest Commencement Date.

#### (ii) Business Day Convention

If any date referred to in these Conditions that is specified to be subject to adjustment in accordance with a Business Day Convention would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Business Day, then, if the Business Day Convention specified is (A) the Floating Rate Business Day Convention, such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event (x) such date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day and (y) each such subsequent date shall be the last Business Day of the month in which such date would have fallen had it not been subject to adjustment, (B) the Following Business Day Convention, such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day, (C) the Modified Following Business Day Convention, such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event such date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day Convention, such date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day.

## (iii) Rate of Interest for Floating Rate Notes

The Rate of Interest in respect of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Accrual Period shall be determined in the manner specified hereon and the provisions below relating to either ISDA Determination or Screen Rate Determination shall apply, depending upon which is specified hereon.

## (A) ISDA Determination for Floating Rate Notes

Where ISDA Determination is specified hereon as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Accrual Period shall be determined by the Calculation Agent as a rate equal to the relevant ISDA Rate. For the purposes of this sub-paragraph (A), "ISDA Rate" for an Interest Accrual Period means a rate equal to the Floating Rate that would be determined by the Calculation Agent under a Swap Transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the ISDA Definitions and under which:

- (x) the Floating Rate Option is as specified hereon;
- (y) the Designated Maturity is a period specified hereon; and
- (z) the relevant Reset Date is the first day of that Interest Accrual Period unless otherwise specified hereon.

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

- (B) Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Notes
  - (x) Where Screen Rate Determination is specified hereon as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Accrual Period will, subject as provided below, be either:
  - (1) the offered quotation; or
  - (2) the arithmetic mean 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 as determined by the Calculation 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 Calculation Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean of such offered quotations.

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.

- If the Relevant Screen Page is not available, or if sub-paragraph (x)(1) applies and no such offered quotation appears on the Relevant Screen Page, or if sub-paragraph (x)(2) above applies and fewer than three such offered quotations appear on the Relevant Screen Page in each case as at the time specified above, subject as provided below, the Calculation Agent shall request, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, the principal London office of each of the Reference Banks or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, the principal Euro-zone office of each of the Reference Banks, to provide the Calculation Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time), or if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Brussels time) on the Interest Determination Date in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such offered quotations, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be the arithmetic mean of such offered quotations as determined by the Calculation Agent.
- (z) If paragraph (y) above applies and the Calculation Agent determines that fewer than two Reference Banks are providing offered quotations, subject as provided below, the Rate of Interest shall be the arithmetic mean of the rates per annum (expressed as a percentage) as communicated to (and at the request of) the Calculation Agent by the Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time) or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Brussels 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, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, the London inter-bank market or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, the Euro-zone inter-bank market, as the case may be, or, if fewer than two of the Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such 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 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, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time) or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Brussels time), on the relevant Interest

Determination Date, any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the Trustee and the Issuer suitable for such purpose) informs the Calculation Agent it is quoting to leading banks in, if the Reference Rate is LIBOR, the London inter-bank market or, if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR, the Euro-zone inter-bank market, as the case may be, 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 or Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest is to be applied to the relevant Interest Accrual Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Accrual Period, the Margin or Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest relating to the relevant Interest Accrual Period, in place of the Margin or Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest relating to that last preceding Interest Accrual Period).

#### (c) Margin, Maximum/Minimum Rates of Interest and Rounding

- (i) If any Margin is specified hereon (either (x) generally, or (y) in relation to one or more Interest Accrual Periods), an adjustment shall be made to all Rates of Interest, in the case of (x), or the Rates of Interest for the specified Interest Accrual Periods, in the case of (y), calculated in accordance with Condition 4(b) above by adding (if a positive number) or subtracting the absolute value (if a negative number) of such Margin, subject always to the next paragraph.
- (ii) If any Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest is specified hereon, then any Rate of Interest shall be subject to such maximum or minimum, as the case may be.
- (iii) For the purposes of any calculations required pursuant to these Conditions (unless otherwise specified), (x) all percentages resulting from such calculations shall be rounded, if necessary, to the nearest one hundred-thousandth of a percentage point (with halves being rounded up), (y) all figures shall be rounded to seven significant figures (with halves being rounded up) and (z) all currency amounts that fall due and payable shall be rounded to the nearest unit of such currency (with halves being rounded up), save in the case of yen, which shall be rounded down to the nearest yen. For these purposes "unit" means the lowest amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country[ies] of such currency.

#### (d) Calculations

The amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount in respect of any Note for any Interest Accrual Period shall be equal to the product of the Rate of Interest, the Calculation Amount specified hereon, and the Day Count Fraction for such Interest Accrual Period, unless an Interest Amount (or a formula for its calculation) is applicable to such Interest Accrual Period, in which case the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount in respect of such Note for such Interest Accrual Period shall equal such Interest Amount (or be calculated in accordance with such formula). Where any Interest Period comprises two or more Interest Accrual Periods, the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount in respect of such Interest Period shall be the sum of the Interest Amounts payable in respect of each of those Interest Accrual Periods. In respect of any other period for which interest is required to be calculated, the provision above shall apply save that the Day Count Fraction shall be for the period for which interest is required to be calculated. Where the Specified Denomination comprises more than one Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Note shall be the aggregate of the amounts (determined in the manner provided above) for each Calculation Amount comprising the Specified Denomination.

#### (e) Determination and Publication of Rates of Interest, Interest Amounts, and Redemption Amounts

The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable on each Interest Determination Date or such other time on such date as the Calculation Agent may be required to calculate any rate or amount, obtain any quotation or make any determination or calculation, it shall determine such rate and calculate the Interest Amounts in respect of each Specified Denomination of the Notes for the relevant Interest Accrual Period, calculate the Optional Redemption Amount, Capital Disqualification Redemption Price or Suspension Redemption Price, obtain such quotation or make such determination or calculation, as the case may be, and cause the Rate of

Interest and the Interest Amounts for each Interest Accrual Period and the relevant Interest Payment Date and, if required to be calculated, the Optional Redemption Amount, Capital Disqualification Redemption Price or Suspension Redemption Price to be notified to the Trustee, the Issuer, each of the Paying Agents, the Noteholders, any other Calculation Agent appointed in respect of the Notes that is to make a further calculation upon receipt of such information and, if the Notes are listed on a stock exchange and the rules of such exchange or other relevant authority so require, such exchange or other relevant authority as soon as possible after their determination but in no event later than (i) the commencement of the relevant Interest Period, if determined prior to such time, in the case of notification to such exchange of a Rate of Interest and Interest Amount, or (ii) in all other cases, the fourth Business Day after such determination. Where any Interest Payment Date or Interest Period Date is subject to adjustment pursuant to Condition 4(b)(ii), the Interest Amounts and the Interest Payment Date so published may subsequently be amended (or appropriate alternative arrangements made with the consent of the Trustee by way of adjustment) without notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the Interest Period. If the Notes become due and payable under Condition 10, the accrued interest and the Rate of Interest payable in respect of the Notes shall nevertheless continue to be calculated as previously in accordance with this Condition but no publication of the Rate of Interest or the Interest Amount so calculated need be made unless the Trustee otherwise requires. The determination of any rate or amount, the obtaining of each quotation and the making of each determination or calculation by the Calculation Agent(s) shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

#### (f) Determination or Calculation by Trustee

If the Calculation Agent does not at any time for any reason determine or calculate the Rate of Interest for an Interest Accrual Period or any Interest Amount, Optional Redemption Amount, Capital Disqualification Redemption Price or Suspension Redemption Price, the Trustee shall do so (or shall appoint an agent on its behalf to do so) and such determination or calculation shall be deemed to have been made by the Calculation Agent. In doing so, the Trustee shall apply the foregoing provisions of this Condition, with any necessary consequential amendments, to the extent that, in its opinion, it can do so, and, in all other respects it shall do so in such manner as it shall deem fair and reasonable in all the circumstances.

# (g) Definitions

In these Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, the following defined terms shall have the meanings set out below:

"Business Day" means:

- (i) in the case of a currency other than euro, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the principal financial centre for such currency and/or
- (ii) in the case of euro, a day on which the TARGET system is operating (a "TARGET Business Day")
- (iii) in the case of a currency and/or one or more Additional Business Centres a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in such currency in the Additional Business Centre(s) or, if no currency is indicated, generally in each of the Additional Business Centres.

"Day Count Fraction" means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest on any Note for any period of time (from and including the first day of such period to but excluding the last) (whether or not constituting an Interest Period or Interest Accrual Period, the "Calculation Period"):

(i) if "Actual/Actual" or "Actual/Actual – ISDA" is specified hereon, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of that Calculation Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (A) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a leap year divided by 366 and (B) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);

- (ii) if "Actual/365 (Fixed)" is specified hereon, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365;
- (iii) if "Actual/360" is specified hereon, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360:
- (iv) if "30/360", "360/360" or "Bond Basis" is specified hereon, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

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

where:

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

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

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

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

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation 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 Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31 and  $D_1$  is greater than 29, in which case  $D_2$  will be 30;

(v) if "30E/360" or "Eurobond Basis" is specified hereon, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

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

where:

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

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

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

" $M_2$ " is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

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

"D<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>2</sub> will be 30;

(vi) if "30E/360 (ISDA)" is specified hereon, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

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

where:

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

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

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

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

"D<sub>1</sub>" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>1</sub> will be 30; and

" $D_2$ " is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Calculation 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; and

- (vii) if "Actual/Actual-ICMA" is specified hereon,
  - (a) if the Calculation Period is equal to or shorter than the Determination Period during which it falls, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year; and
  - (b) if the Calculation Period is longer than one Determination Period, the sum of:
    - (x) the number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the Determination Period in which it begins divided by the product of (1) the number of days in such Determination Period and (2) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year; and
    - (y) the number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the next Determination Period divided by the product of (1) the number of days in such Determination Period and (2) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year

#### where:

"Determination Date" means the date specified as such hereon or, if none is so specified, the Interest Payment Date; and

"Determination Period" means the period from and including a Determination Date in any year to but excluding the next Determination Date.

"Euro-zone" means the region comprised of member states of the European Union that adopt the single currency in accordance with the Treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

"Interest Accrual Period" means the period beginning on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and ending on (but excluding) the first Interest Period Date and each successive period beginning on (and including) an Interest Period Date and ending on (but excluding) the next succeeding Interest Period Date.

"Interest Amount" means, in respect of an Interest Accrual Period, the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount for that Interest Accrual Period and which, in the case of Fixed Rate Notes, and unless otherwise specified hereon, shall mean the Fixed Coupon Amount or Broken Amount specified hereon as being payable on the Interest Payment Date ending the Interest Period of which such Interest Accrual Period forms part and, in respect of any other period, the amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount for that period.

"Interest Commencement Date" means the Issue Date or such other date as may be specified hereon.

"Interest Determination Date" means, with respect to a Rate of Interest and Interest Accrual Period, the date specified as such hereon or, if none is so specified, (i) the first day of such Interest Accrual Period if the Specified Currency is sterling or (ii) the day falling two Business Days in London for the Specified Currency prior to the first day of such Interest Accrual Period if the Specified Currency is neither sterling nor euro or (iii) the day falling two TARGET Business Days prior to the first day of such Interest Accrual Period if the Specified Currency is euro.

"Interest Period" means the period beginning on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and ending on (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each successive period beginning on (and including) an Interest Payment Date and ending on (but excluding) the next succeeding Interest Payment Date.

"Interest Period Date" means each Interest Payment Date unless otherwise specified hereon.

"ISDA Definitions" means the 2006 ISDA Definitions as amended or supplemented, as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. unless otherwise specified hereon.

"Rate of Interest" means the rate of interest payable from time to time in respect of this Note and that is either specified or calculated in accordance with the provisions hereon.

"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 Calculation Agent or as specified hereon.

"Reference Rate" means the rate specified as such hereon.

"Relevant Screen Page" means such page, section, caption, column or other part of a particular information service as may be specified hereon.

"Specified Currency" means the currency specified as such hereon or, if none is specified, the currency in which the Notes are denominated.

"TARGET System" means the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET) System or any successor thereto.

# (h) Calculation Agent

The Issuer shall procure that there shall at all times be one or more Calculation Agents if provision is made for them hereon and for so long as any Note is outstanding (as defined in the Trust Deed). Where more than one Calculation Agent is appointed in respect of the Notes, references in these Conditions to the Calculation Agent shall be construed as each Calculation Agent performing its respective duties under the Conditions. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or if the Calculation Agent fails duly to establish the Rate of Interest for an Interest Period or Interest Accrual Period or to calculate any Interest Amount, Optional Redemption Amount, Capital Disqualification Redemption Price or Suspension Redemption Price, as the case may be, or to comply with any other requirement, the Issuer shall (with the prior approval of the Trustee) appoint a leading bank or investment banking firm engaged in the interbank market (or, if appropriate, money, swap or over-the-counter index options market) that is most closely connected with the calculation or determination to be made by the Calculation Agent (acting through its principal London office or any other office actively involved in such market) to act as such in its place. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been appointed as aforesaid.

#### (i) Payments of Interest

Payments of interest shall be made when due in accordance with these Conditions in cash save that AISM Payments shall be made by operation of the Alternative Interest Satisfaction Mechanism set out in Condition 5(c).

# 5 Deferral of Payments

# (a) Optional Deferral – Option A Notes

The Issuer has no obligation to pay any Interest Payment so long as it exercises its right to defer any Interest Payment in accordance with Condition 5(a). This is the result of:

- (i) the Issuer having the right to defer any Interest Payment otherwise scheduled to be paid on an Interest Payment Date pursuant to Condition 5(a); and
- (ii) the Issuer being obliged to satisfy any Deferred Interest Payment only by the operation of the Alternative Interest Satisfaction Mechanism pursuant to Condition 5(c).

The Issuer may elect to defer any Interest Payment on Option A Notes (being those Notes that specify their status as Option A Notes) which are otherwise scheduled to be paid on an Interest Payment Date by giving notice of such election to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 16, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the Calculation Agent not less than 20 Business Days prior to the relevant Interest Payment Date.

The Issuer shall (except where Condition 3(c) applies) satisfy any such Deferred Interest Payment or any Deferred Interest Payment which arises as a result of the failure to satisfy the condition to payment set out in Condition 3(b)(i) only by operation of the procedures set out in Condition 5(c). Subject to Condition 5(c)(viii) the Issuer (x) may satisfy such Deferred Interest Payments at any time by giving not less than 14 days' notice but (y) shall satisfy such Deferred Interest Payment upon the first of the following to occur: (i) redemption of the Notes in accordance with Condition 6(d); (ii) redemption, substitution or variation of the Notes in accordance with Condition 6(c); (iii) redemption, substitution or variation referred to in (i) to (iii) above occurs being the "Termination Date"); or (iv) substitution of the Notes by Substituted Preference Shares pursuant to Condition 6(i).

If on any Interest Payment Date payment of all Interest Payments scheduled to be paid on such date is not made in full, the Issuer shall not, (a) declare or pay any distribution or dividend or make any other payment on, and will procure that no distribution or other payment is made on, any Junior Securities or (b) redeem, purchase, cancel, reduce or otherwise acquire any Junior Securities or any Parity Securities, in each case unless or until (i) the Interest Payments due and payable on all Interest Payment Dates falling in any 12 month calendar period after such Interest Payment Date on all outstanding Notes have been paid in full (or an amount equal to the same has been duly set aside or provided for in full for the benefit of the Noteholders and in a manner satisfactory to the Trustee) or, if earlier, (ii) when the Issuer has satisfied in full all Deferred Interest Payments.

# (b) Optional Deferral – Option B Notes

For so long as (a) the Notes are capable of counting (save, in circumstances where such Notes would not be capable of counting, where such non-qualification is only as a result of any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital) as cover for the minimum capital resources requirement applicable to the Issuer under the Directive or the Relevant Rules (as defined in Condition 18) or (b) a Capital Breach Event has occurred and is continuing or is likely to occur as a result of making payment and the Issuer has notified the FSA thereof the Issuer has no obligation to pay any Interest Payment so long as it exercises its right to defer any Interest Payment in accordance with Condition 5(b). This is the result of:

- (i) the Issuer having the right to defer any Interest Payment otherwise scheduled to be paid on any Discretionary Interest Payment Date pursuant to Condition 5(b); and
- (ii) the Issuer being obliged to satisfy any Deferred Interest Payment only by the operation of the Alternative Interest Satisfaction Mechanism pursuant to Condition 5(c).

The Issuer may, on any Discretionary Interest Payment Date (as defined below), elect to defer any Interest Payment on Option B Notes (being those Notes that specify their status as Option B Notes) which would otherwise be payable on such date by giving notice of such election to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 16, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the Calculation Agent not more than 30 nor less than 20 Business Days prior to the relevant Interest Payment Date. The Issuer will (subject to Condition 3(b)(i)) be obliged to pay Interest Payments accrued in an Interest Period on each Interest Payment Date which is not a Discretionary Interest Payment Date.

The Issuer shall (except where Condition 3(c) applies) satisfy any such Deferred Interest Payment or any Deferred Interest Payment which arises as a result of the failure to satisfy the conditions to payment set out in Condition 3(b)(i) only by operation of the procedures set out in Condition 5(c). Subject to Condition

5(c)(viii) the Issuer (x) may satisfy such Deferred Interest Payment at any time by giving not less than 14 days' notice and (y) shall satisfy such Deferred Interest Payment upon the first of the following to occur: (i) redemption of the Notes in accordance with Condition 6(d); (ii) redemption, substitution or variation of the Notes in accordance with Condition 6(c); (iii) redemption, substitution or variation of the Notes in accordance with Condition 6(e) (the date on which any such redemption, substitution or variation referred to in (i) to (iii) above occurs being the "Termination Date"); or (iv) substitution of the Notes by Substituted Preference Shares pursuant to Condition 6(i).

If on any Discretionary Interest Payment Date payment of all Interest Payments scheduled to be paid on such date is not made in full, the Issuer shall not, (a) declare or pay any distribution or dividend or make any other payment on, and will procure that no distribution or dividend or other payment is made on, any Junior Securities, or (b) redeem, purchase, cancel, reduce or otherwise acquire any Junior Securities or any Parity Securities, in each case unless or until (i) the Interest Payments due and payable on all Interest Payment Dates falling in any 12 month calendar period after such Discretionary Interest Payment Date on all outstanding Notes have been paid in full (or an amount equal to the same has been duly set aside or provided for in full for the benefit of the Noteholders and in a manner satisfactory to the Trustee) or, if earlier, (ii) the date upon which the Issuer has satisfied in full all Deferred Interest Payments.

# (c) Alternative Interest Satisfaction Mechanism

### (i) Alternative Interest Satisfaction Mechanism

Each AISM Payment, when due to be satisfied in accordance with these Conditions, will (except as provided in Condition 5(c)(viii)) be satisfied by the Issuer in full only through the issue of Eligible Securities of one or more classes to the Trustee or its agent and/or, in the case of Eligible Securities in the form of PIK Securities, by the issue of PIK Securities to Noteholders with a Market Value at least equal to the relevant AISM Payment, in each case in accordance with this Condition 5(c). The Issuer shall notify the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the AISM Calculation Agent not less than 16 Business Days prior to the relevant AISM Payment Date that an AISM Payment is to be satisfied on such AISM Payment Date and whether any PIK Securities are intended to be issued directly to Noteholders. All other Payments due must, subject to Conditions 3 and 5(a), be satisfied in accordance with Condition 7.

Any relevant Deferred Interest Payment will only be made by operation of the AISM to the extent that the number of such Payment Eligible Securities (as defined below) of each class does not exceed, in the case of Ordinary Shares, the Ordinary Shares Threshold, in the case of PIK Securities, the PIK Securities Threshold and, in the case of Preferred Parity Securities, the Preferred Parity Securities Threshold and in each case only to the extent that the proceeds raised from the issuance or sale of Payment Eligible Securities is received no more than six months before the relevant AISM Payment Date.

# (ii) Issue of PIK Securities

If any AISM Payment is to be made through the issue of PIK Securities to Noteholders as required by the provisions of this Condition 5(c) then, in lieu of a payment in cash and subject to Conditions 5(c)(v) and (vi), the Issuer may (subject to the PIK Securities Threshold not being breached) issue PIK Securities in a number and with terms as determined by the AISM Calculation Agent in accordance with this Condition 5(c)(ii). The AISM Calculation Agent shall allocate to each Noteholder that number of PIK Securities which is necessary to cover that Noteholder's claim in respect of the relevant AISM Payment to be satisfied as aforesaid. The record date for the determination of the number of PIK Securities to be allocated to each Noteholder shall be the relevant AISM Payment Date. For this purpose, the value of each PIK Security is to be determined by its Market Value. If the allocation of PIK Securities to a Noteholder leads to any relevant AISM Payment on the AISM Payment Date being left uncovered, then the Noteholder will be entitled to receipt of further PIK Securities with a Market Value equal to such uncovered payment. The Noteholder may collect its PIK Security allocation by presentation and annotation of its Note at the office of the Issuing and Paying Agent.

The "Market Value" of the PIK Securities shall be determined by the AISM Calculation Agent as follows:

- (A) it shall (four Business Days prior to the record date) request three international investment banks of repute which are active in the international fixed income markets to provide (by the second Business Day prior to the record date) a bid price for a representative amount of PIK Securities:
- (B) if two or three bid prices are received, it shall calculate the arithmetic mean of the bid prices, which shall be the Market Value for the PIK Securities;
- (C) if one bid price is received, that bid price shall be the Market Value for the PIK Securities; and
- (D) if no bid prices are received, the market price for the PIK Securities shall be the price determined by the AISM Calculation Agent in its discretion acting reasonably.

### (iii) Issue of Eligible Securities

If any AISM Payment is to be satisfied through the issue of Eligible Securities to the Trustee as required by the provisions of this Condition 5(c) then, subject to Conditions 5(c)(v) and (vi):

- (aa) by close of business on or before the seventh Business Day prior to the relevant AISM Payment Date, the Issuer will issue to the Trustee (or, if so agreed between the Issuer and the Trustee, to an agent of the Trustee) such number of Eligible Securities (the "Payment Eligible Securities") as, in the determination of the AISM Calculation Agent, will have a market value as near as practicable to, but not less than, the relevant AISM Payment to be satisfied in accordance with this Condition 5(c); and
- (bb) the Trustee has agreed to use reasonable endeavours to effect the transfer or instruct its agent to effect the transfer of such Payment Eligible Securities to or to the order of the AISM Calculation Agent (subject to any necessary consents being obtained) as soon as practicable and in any case not later than by close of business on the sixth Business Day prior to the relevant AISM Payment Date and the AISM Calculation Agent has agreed in the AISM Calculation Agency Agreement to use reasonable endeavours to procure purchasers for such Payment Eligible Securities. The AISM Calculation Agent has further agreed in the AISM Calculation Agency Agreement to deliver such proceeds of such sale to, or hold such proceeds of such sale to the order of, the Trustee, who shall pay or procure that its agent pays such proceeds as it holds in respect of the relevant AISM Payment on its due date to the Issuing and Paying Agent for application in accordance with Condition 5(c)(iv).

The Trustee shall not be liable to anyone for any loss occasioned by the transfer or sale of the Payment Eligible Securities, in each case by or on behalf of the Trustee, or any delay or failure in effecting such transfer or sale of the Payment Eligible Securities under these Conditions.

If the proceeds of the sale of the Payment Eligible Securities will not, in the opinion of the AISM Calculation Agent, subject to 5(c)(v) and (vi) but despite the arrangements contained in (bb) above, result in a sum at least equal to the relevant AISM Payment being available to make the necessary AISM Payment in full on its due date, the Issuer, the Trustee and the AISM Calculation Agent have agreed to take such steps as are reasonably necessary to ensure, so far as practicable, that through issuing additional Eligible Securities (also "Payment Eligible Securities") and following, mutatis mutandis, the procedures contained in (aa) and (bb) above, a sum as near as practicable to, and at least equal to, the relevant AISM Payment will be available to make the relevant AISM Payment in full on its due date. If, despite the operation of the above provisions, a shortfall exists on the Business Day preceding the intended AISM Payment Date, the Issuer shall, for a period of five years from such date, use all reasonable endeavours to settle any AISM Payment in accordance with this Condition 6 and may in accordance with the provisions of any Calculation Agency Agreement, and subject to having the relevant corporate authorisations in place, continue to issue and allot the relevant number of Payment Eligible Securities until the Trustee shall have received funds on behalf of the Issuer equal to the full amount of such shortfall. The foregoing is subject to the proviso that if a shortfall exists on the Business Day preceding the intended Termination Date, no part of the AISM Payment

shall be due until such time as the Issuer is able to pay a sum at least equal to the AISM Payment in full in accordance with the procedures set out in this Condition 6 on the Termination Date.

### (iv) Issue Satisfies Payment

Where the Issuer is required to make an AISM Payment hereunder by issuing Payment Eligible Securities to the Trustee or to Noteholders in the case of PIK Securities and issues such Payment Eligible Securities, such issue shall satisfy the relevant AISM Payment or, as the case may be, in the circumstances referred to in Condition 5(c)(v) below, the relevant part of such AISM Payment, if made in accordance with this Condition 5(c). The proceeds of sale of Payment Eligible Securities which are issued to the Trustee shall be paid by the Issuing and Paying Agent to the Noteholders in respect of the relevant AISM Payment. Any Excess (as defined in the Trust Deed) shall be paid by the Issuing and Paying Agent to the Noteholders.

#### (v) Insufficiency

The Issuer shall not be entitled to exercise its option pursuant to any of Conditions 6(c), 6(d), 6(e) or 6(i) to redeem, substitute or vary any of the Notes until such time as the Issuer has available for, and the Directors have the corresponding authority to, issue a sufficient number of Payment Eligible Securities of one or more classes as is required to be issued in accordance with this Condition 5(c) for the purposes of satisfying in full in accordance with this Condition 5(c) any AISM Payment required to be satisfied in connection with any such redemption, substitution or variation of the Notes.

## (vi) Market Disruption

Notwithstanding the provisions of Conditions 5(c)(ii) and (iii), if there exists, in the opinion of the Issuer, a Market Disruption Event on or after the 15th Business Day preceding any AISM Payment Date, then the Issuer may give a notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the AISM Calculation Agent and (in accordance with Condition 16) the Noteholders as soon as possible after the Market Disruption Event has arisen or occurred, whereupon the relevant AISM Payment may be deferred until such time as the Market Disruption Event no longer exists.

Any such deferred AISM Payment will be satisfied as soon as practicable following such time as the Market Disruption Event no longer exists. Interest shall not accrue on such deferred AISM Payment unless, as a consequence of the existence of a Market Disruption Event, the Issuer does not make the relevant AISM Payment for a period of 14 days or more after the due date therefor, in which case interest shall accrue on such deferred AISM Payment from (and including) the date on which the relevant AISM Payment was due to be made to (but excluding) the date on which such AISM Payment is made. Any such interest shall accrue at a rate determined in accordance with Condition 4 and shall be satisfied only in accordance with Condition 5(c), as soon as reasonably practicable after the relevant deferred AISM Payment is made. No liability shall attach to the Trustee or its agents if, as a result of a Market Disruption Event or any other event outside the control of the Trustee or its agent, the Trustee or its agent is unable to comply with the provisions of Condition 5(c)(iii).

### (vii) Listing

The Issuer shall ensure (to the extent possible) that, at the time when any Ordinary Shares are issued pursuant to this Condition 5(c), such Ordinary Shares are admitted to the Official List of the FSA in its capacity as competent authority under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and are admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's EEA Regulated Market (or, if the London Stock Exchange is not a Recognised Stock Exchange at that time, such other stock exchange as is a Recognised Stock Exchange at that time).

#### (viii) Suspension

If, following any take-over offer made under the City Code on Take-overs and Mergers or any reorganisation, restructuring or scheme of arrangement the company which, immediately prior to such event, was the Ultimate Owner ceases to be the Ultimate Owner, then the Issuer shall as soon as

practicable give notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 16, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the Calculation Agent, whereupon the operation of the AISM using Ordinary Shares shall be suspended (such event being a "Suspension"). In such event, unless a Permitted Restructuring Arrangement shall be put in place within six months of the occurrence of a Permitted Restructuring (in which case the Suspension shall cease upon such Permitted Restructuring Arrangement being put in place), an independent investment bank appointed by the Issuer (at the Issuer's expense) and approved by the Trustee shall determine, subject to the requirements that (i) the Issuer shall not be obliged to reduce its net assets; (ii) no amendment may be proposed or made which would alter the regulatory capital treatment of the Notes for insurance regulatory capital and solvency purposes unless the Issuer has given at least six months' prior written notice to, and receiving no objection from, the FSA (or such other period of notice as the FSA may from time to time require or accept and, in any event, provided that such notice is required to be given); and (iii) no such amendment may be made which would, in the Trustee's opinion, impose more onerous obligations on it without its consent, what amendments (if any) to these Conditions, the Trust Deed and any other relevant documents are appropriate in order to (aa) preserve substantially the economic effect, for the Noteholders, of a holding of the Notes prior to the Suspension and (bb) to replicate the AISM in the context of the capital structure of the new Ultimate Owner. Upon any such determination being reached and notified to the Trustee and the Issuer by such investment bank, the Trustee and the Issuer shall, pursuant to the terms of the Trust Deed and without any requirement for the consent or the approval of the Noteholders or Couponholders, effect any necessary consequential changes to these Conditions and the Trust Deed and any other relevant documents, whereupon the Issuer's right to satisfy an AISM Payment using Ordinary Shares by the method contemplated in Condition 5(c) shall no longer be subject to the Suspension.

If, after using all reasonable endeavours, such investment bank is unable to formulate such amendments, it shall so notify the Issuer, the previous Ultimate Owner (if not the Issuer), the new Ultimate Owner, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the AISM Calculation Agent and the Notes shall (subject in each case to the Issuer giving at least six months' prior written notice to, and receiving no objection from, the FSA (or such other period of notice as the FSA may from time to time require or accept and, in any event, provided that such notice is required to be given) and with the prior agreement of the new Ultimate Owner) at the option of the Issuer either be substituted for, or varied so that they become, Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities or shall be redeemed, in each case as described below.

If the Notes are to be substituted for, or varied so that they become, Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities, the Issuer shall give not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the AISM Calculation Agent and, in accordance with Condition 16, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable) and all (but not some only) of the Notes will be substituted for, or the terms varied so that they become, Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities, and the Trustee shall (subject to the following provisions of this paragraph and subject to the receipt by it of the certificate of the Directors referred to in the definition of Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or (as the case may be) Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities and subject further to the receipt by it of the notification of the relevant investment bank referred to above) agree to such substitution or variation. In connection therewith, all Deferred Interest Payments (if any) will either (at the option of the Issuer) (x) be carried over such that the rights thereto are preserved for the purposes of the Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities or (y) be satisfied (unless otherwise agreed by the Issuer and the Trustee) by the issue of Eligible Securities to the new Ultimate Owner in consideration for which the new Ultimate Owner shall issue its ordinary shares (or capital of an equivalent class) so as to enable it to pay the amount of such deferred Interest Payments in accordance, mutatis mutandis, with Conditions 5(c)(iii), (iv), (v) and (vi) (with references to the Payment Eligible Securities being construed as references to such ordinary shares or equivalent capital of the new Ultimate Owner which, when sold, provide a net cash amount of not less than the amount of such Deferred Interest Payments so payable by the Issuer). The Trustee shall use its reasonable endeavours to assist the Issuer in the substitution or variation of the Notes for or into Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities, provided that the Trustee shall not be obliged to participate or assist in any such substitution or variation if the terms of the securities into which the Notes are to be substituted or are to be varied impose, in the Trustee's opinion, more onerous obligations upon it. If the Trustee does not so participate or assist as provided above, the FSA does not consent to such substitution or variation or it is otherwise not practicable for the Notes to be substituted or varied as described above, the Issuer may, subject as provided above, elect to redeem the Notes as provided in this Condition 5(c)(viii). In connection with any substitution or variation in accordance with this Condition 5(c)(viii), the Issuer shall comply with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Notes are for the time being listed or admitted to trading, and (for so long as the Notes are admitted to the Official List of the FSA in its capacity as competent authority under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's EEA Regulated Market and the rules of such exchange require) shall publish a supplement in connection therewith.

If the Notes are to be redeemed by the Issuer, the Issuer shall give notice thereof to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the AISM Calculation Agent and, in accordance with Condition 16, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable and which shall expire as soon as practicable after confirmation of no objection from the FSA) and all (but not some only) of the Notes will be redeemed at the Suspension Redemption Price specified hereon, together in each case with any Outstanding Payments, not later than the 60th Business Day following the giving of such notice by the Issuer to the Noteholders. Such redemption will, unless otherwise agreed by the Issuer and the Trustee, be effected by the issue of Ordinary Shares to the new Ultimate Owner in consideration for which the new Ultimate Owner shall issue its ordinary shares (or capital of an equivalent class) so as to enable it to pay such redemption amount in accordance, *mutatis mutandis*, with Conditions 5(c) (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi) (with references to the Payment Ordinary Shares being construed as references to such ordinary shares or equivalent capital of the new Ultimate Owner which, when sold, provide a net cash amount of not less than the redemption amount so payable by the Issuer).

### (ix) Authorisations

The Issuer shall, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Companies Act, use all reasonable endeavours to obtain and maintain at all times all corporate authorisations and take other corporate actions required for the issue and allotment of such number of Eligible Securities as it reasonably considers would be prudent and would be required to be issued in order to enable the Issuer to make a payment satisfying the aggregate amount of Deferred Interest Payments (if any) and the aggregate of Interest Payments due on the Interest Payment Date(s) falling in the succeeding 12 month calendar period, provided that such reasonable endeavours shall be satisfied where the relevant corporate authorisation required is the passing of a resolution of the shareholders of the Issuer if the board of directors of the Issuer proposes the relevant resolution to its shareholders for approval at any general meeting and, if such proposal is rejected, the relevant resolution is proposed again at the next general meeting.

No damages will be payable for breach of this covenant but, in the event of breach by the Issuer of this Condition 5(c)(ix), the Trustee may only require the Issuer to put before the next general meeting of the holders of the Issuer a resolution to remedy the breach.

The Trustee shall not be obliged to monitor compliance by the Issuer with this Condition and shall be entitled to assume, unless it has actual knowledge to the contrary, that the Issuer is complying with its obligations under this Condition.

For the avoidance of doubt, any Eligible Securities which the Issuer is required to keep available for issue other than in connection with the Notes shall be discounted in determining whether the Issuer is complying with its obligations under this Condition 5(c)(ix).

### (d) No default

Notwithstanding any other provision in these Conditions or the Trust Deed, the deferral of any Interest Payment by virtue of this Condition 5 or Condition 3(b)(i) shall not constitute a default for any purpose (including, without limitation, Condition 10(a)) on the part of the Issuer. Any Interest Payment so deferred shall not, except in the circumstances provided in Condition 5(c)(vi), bear interest.

### 6 Redemption, Substitution, Variation, Purchase and Options

#### (a) No Fixed Redemption Date

The Notes are perpetual securities in respect of which there is no fixed redemption date and the Issuer shall (subject to the provisions of Condition 3 and without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 9) only have the right to repay, substitute, vary or purchase them in accordance with the following provisions of this Condition 6 or in the circumstances provided for in Condition 5(c)(viii).

### (b) Conditions to Redemption, Substitution, Variation and Purchase

In addition, any redemption, substitution, variation or purchase of the Notes is (i) subject to the Issuer giving at least one month's prior written notice to, and receiving a waiver from, the FSA (or such other period of notice as the FSA may from time to time require or accept and, in any event, provided that any such notice is required to be given), (ii) (other than in the case of a Preference Share Substitution) subject to the Issuer being in compliance with the capital resources requirements applicable to it from time to time (and a certificate from any two Directors confirming such compliance shall be conclusive evidence of such compliance) and (iii) conditional on the terms of Condition 5(c)(v) being satisfied prior thereto and all Deferred Interest Payments (if any) and (in the case of Condition 6(i) only) Accrued Interest Payments (if any) being satisfied in full by the operation of Condition 5(c) and the Trust Deed on or prior to the date thereof.

The Issuer may from time to time, in connection with an issue of Notes, enter into a replacement capital covenant for the benefit of one or more series of the Issuer's debt securities by specifying hereon that a replacement capital covenant is applicable (thereby indicating the Issuer's intention to enter into a replacement capital covenant in connection with such issue of Notes). A replacement capital covenant will generally provide that the Issuer will not redeem or repurchase any Notes, and will not permit any subsidiary to purchase any Notes, unless and to the extent the aggregate redemption, repurchase or purchase price is equal to or less than the net proceeds (or in certain circumstances a percentage of such net proceeds specified hereon) received by the Issuer or its subsidiaries, during the six months prior to such redemption, repurchase or purchase date (or such other period as may be specified in the terms of the replacement capital covenant and hereon), from one or more new issues of qualifying securities as specified in the terms of the replacement capital covenant, unless the replacement capital covenant is terminated prior to redemption, repurchase or purchase in accordance with its terms. If not terminated sooner, the replacement capital covenant will terminate on the redemption, repurchase or purchase of the Notes. If applicable, the replacement capital covenant will continue to be effective following any substitution or variation of the Notes in accordance with these Conditions.

### (c) Redemption, Substitution or Variation Due to Taxation

If immediately prior to the giving of the notice referred to below:

(i) as a result of a change in or proposed change in, or amendment or proposed amendment to, the laws or regulations of the United Kingdom or any political subdivision or authority therein or thereof having the power to tax, including any treaty to which the United Kingdom is a party, or any change in the application of official or generally published interpretation of such laws, including a decision of any court or tribunal, or any interpretation or pronouncement by any relevant tax authority that provides for a position with respect to such laws or regulations that differs from the previously generally accepted position in relation to similar transactions (in respect of securities similar to the Notes and which are capable of constituting Tier 1 Capital) or which differs from any specific written confirmation given by a tax authority in respect of the Notes, which change or amendment (x) (subject to (y)) becomes, or would become, effective on or after the Issue Date of the Notes (the "Tax Law Change Date"), or (y) in the case of a change or proposed change in law if such change is enacted (or, in the case of a proposed change, is expected to be enacted) by United Kingdom Act of Parliament or by Statutory Instrument, on or after the Tax Law Change Date (a "Tax Law Change"), in making any payments on the Notes, the Issuer has paid or will or would on the next payment date

- be required to pay Additional Amounts (as defined in Condition 8) on the Notes and the Issuer cannot avoid the foregoing in connection with the Notes by taking measures reasonably available to it; or
- (ii) as a result of a Tax Law Change in respect of the Issuer's obligation to make any Interest Payment on the next following Interest Payment Date, (x) the Issuer would not be entitled to claim a deduction in respect of computing its taxation liabilities in the United Kingdom, or such entitlement is materially reduced; (y) the Issuer would not to any material extent be entitled to have such deduction set against the profits of companies with which it is grouped for applicable United Kingdom tax purposes (whether under the group relief system current as at the Tax Law Change Date or any similar system or systems having like effect as may from time to time exist); or (z) the Issuer would otherwise suffer adverse tax consequences, and in each such case the Issuer cannot avoid the foregoing in connection with the Notes by taking measures reasonably available to it, then;
- (aa) the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b) and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the AISM Calculation Agent and, in accordance with Condition 16, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), redeem in accordance with these Conditions (unless otherwise specified hereon) at any time (if and for so long as this Note is not a Floating Rate Note) or on any Interest Payment Date (if and for so long as this Note is a Floating Rate Note), all, but not some only, of the Notes at their principal amount, together, with any Outstanding Payments (all such amounts so payable being payable in cash, save for any Deferred Interest Payments which will be satisfied by operation of Condition 5(c)); or
- (bb) the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b) (without any requirement for the consent or approval of the Noteholders) and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the AISM Calculation Agent and, in accordance with Condition 16, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), substitute at any time all (and not some only) of the Notes for, or vary the terms of the Notes so that they become, Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities, and the Trustee shall (subject to the following provisions of this paragraph (bb) and subject to the receipt by it of the certificates of the Directors referred to below and in the definition of Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or (as the case may be) Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities) agree to such substitution or variation. In connection therewith, all Deferred Interest Payments (if any) will be satisfied by the operation of Condition 5(c). The Trustee shall use its reasonable endeavours to assist the Issuer in the substitution or variation of the Notes for or into Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities provided that the Trustee shall not be obliged to participate or assist in any such substitution or variation if the terms if the securities into which the Notes are to be substituted or are to be varied impose, in the Trustee's opinion, more onerous obligations upon it. If the Trustee does not so participate or assist as provided above, the Issuer may, subject as provided above, redeem the Notes as provided above.

Prior to the publication of any notice of substitution, variation or redemption pursuant to this Condition 6(c), the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two Directors stating that the relevant requirement or circumstance referred to in paragraph (i) or (ii) above applies and the Trustee shall accept such certificate as sufficient evidence of the satisfaction of the conditions precedent set out in such paragraphs in which event it shall be conclusive and binding on the Trustee and the Noteholders. Upon expiry of such notice the Issuer shall either redeem, vary or substitute the Notes, as the case may be.

In connection with any substitution or variation in accordance with this Condition 6(c), the Issuer shall comply with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Notes are for the time being listed or admitted to trading, and (for so long as the Notes are listed on the Official List of the FSA in its capacity as competent authority under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's EEA Regulated Market and the rules of such exchange require) shall publish a supplement in connection therewith.

# (d) Redemption at the Option of the Issuer

Unless the Issuer shall have given notice to redeem the Notes under Condition 6(c) or Condition 6(e) on or prior to the expiration of the notice referred to below, and if Call Option is specified hereon, the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b), and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' irrevocable notice to the Noteholders (or such other notice period as may be specified hereon) redeem, in relation to, all or, if so

provided, some of the Notes on any Optional Redemption Date. Any such redemption of Notes shall be at their Optional Redemption Amount together with any interest accrued to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption in accordance with these Conditions and any Outstanding Payments. Any such redemption must relate to Notes of a nominal amount at least equal to the Minimum Redemption Amount to be redeemed specified hereon and no greater than the Maximum Redemption Amount to be redeemed specified hereon.

All Notes in respect of which any such notice is given shall be redeemed, or the Issuer's option shall be exercised, on the date specified in such notice in accordance with this Condition.

In the case of a partial redemption or a partial exercise of an Issuer's option, the notice to Noteholders shall also contain the certificate numbers of the Notes to be redeemed or in respect of which such option has been exercised, which shall have been drawn in such place as the Trustee may approve and in such manner as it deems appropriate, subject to compliance with any applicable laws and stock exchange or other relevant authority requirements.

- (e) Redemption, Substitution or Variation at the Option of the Issuer due to Capital Disqualification Event
  If Capital Disqualification Call is specified hereon and immediately prior to the giving of the notice referred
  to below a Capital Disqualification Event has occurred and is continuing, then:
  - (i) the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b) and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 16, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the AISM Calculation Agent (which notice shall be irrevocable), redeem in accordance with these Conditions all, but not some only, of the Notes (unless otherwise specified hereon) at any time or, if and for so long as this Note is a Floating Rate Note, on any Interest Payment Date. The Notes will be redeemed at their Capital Disqualification Redemption Price in each case together with any Outstanding Payments (all such amounts so payable being payable in cash, save for any Deferred Interest Payments which will be satisfied by operation of Condition 5(c)); or
  - (ii) the Issuer may, subject to Condition 6(b) (without any requirement for the consent or approval of the Noteholders) and having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the AISM Calculation Agent and, in accordance with Condition 16, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), substitute at any time all (and not some only) of the Notes for, or vary the terms of the Notes so that they become, Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities, and the Trustee shall (subject to the following provisions of this paragraph (ii) and subject to the receipt by it of the certificates of the Directors referred to below and in the definition of Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities, as the case may be) agree to such substitution or variation. In connection therewith all Deferred Interest Payments (if any) will be satisfied by the operation of Condition 5(c). The Trustee shall use its reasonable endeavours to assist the Issuer in the substitution or variation of the Notes for or into Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities provided that the Trustee shall not be obliged to participate or assist in any such substitution or variation if the terms of the securities into which the Notes are to be substituted or are to be varied impose, in the Trustee's opinion, more onerous obligations upon it. If the Trustee does not so participate or assist as provided above, the Issuer may, subject as provided above, redeem the Notes as provided above.

Prior to the publication of any notice of substitution, variation or redemption pursuant to this Condition 6(e), the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two Directors stating that a Capital Disqualification Event has occurred and is continuing as at the date of the certificate, and the Trustee shall accept such certificate as sufficient evidence of the occurrence and continuation of a Capital Disqualification Event in which event it shall be conclusive and binding on the Trustee and the Noteholders. Upon expiry of such notice the Issuer shall either redeem, vary or substitute the Notes, as the case may be.

In connection with any substitution or variation in accordance with this Condition 6(e), the Issuer shall comply with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Notes are for the time being listed or admitted to trading.

### (f) Trustee Not Obliged to Monitor

The Trustee shall not be under any duty to monitor whether any event or circumstance has happened or exists within this Condition 6 or whether a Suspension under Condition 5(c)(viii) has occurred and will not be responsible to Noteholders for any loss arising from any failure to do so. Unless and until the Trustee has actual knowledge of the occurrence of any event or circumstance within this Condition 6 or the occurrence of a Suspension under Condition 5(c)(viii), it shall be entitled to assume that no such event or circumstance exists.

### (g) Purchases

The Issuer and any of its Subsidiaries for the time being may, subject to Condition 3(b)(i) and having given prior written notice to, and received no objection from, the FSA (so long as such notice is required to be given), at any time purchase Notes (provided that all unmatured Coupons and unexchanged Talons relating thereto are attached thereto or surrendered therewith) in the open market or otherwise at any price.

As used in this Condition 6(g), "Subsidiary" means any entity which is for the time being a subsidiary (with the meaning of Section 736 of the Companies Act 1985) of the Issuer.

### (h) Cancellation

All Notes purchased by or on behalf of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries may be surrendered for cancellation, in the case of Bearer Notes, by surrendering each such Note together with all unmatured Coupons and all unexchanged Talons to the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in the case of Registered Notes, by surrendering the Certificate representing such Notes to the Registrar and, in each case, if so surrendered, shall, together with all Notes redeemed by the Issuer, be cancelled forthwith (together with all unmatured Coupons and unexchanged Talons attached thereto or surrendered therewith). Any Notes so surrendered for cancellation may not be reissued or resold and the obligations of the Issuer in respect of any such Notes shall be discharged.

### (i) Substitution for Substituted Preference Shares

At any time a Substitution Event has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may (subject to Condition 6(b) and the provisions of this Condition 6(i)) give not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice thereof and of its intention to effect a Preference Share Substitution (as defined below) ("Substitution Notice") to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 16, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the AISM Calculation Agent (which notice shall be irrevocable), and shall on the expiry of such notice (the "Substitution Date") cause the substitution in accordance with this Condition of all (but not some only) of the Notes for fully paid non-cumulative preference shares issued directly by the Issuer (the "Substituted Preference Shares") (such substitution being referred to herein as a "Preference Share Substitution"). The Issuer may only effect a Preference Share Substitution if prior to the delivery of the relevant Substitution Notice, it has created (and is maintaining) a sufficient number of authorised (but unissued) Substituted Preference Shares to effect the Preference Share Substitution in accordance with this Condition 6(i) and has obtained (and is maintaining) the corporate authorisations necessary to effect the substitution of the Notes for the Substituted Preference Shares (including, but not limited to, the necessary resolutions of the Issuer to authorise the Directors to issue and allot the Substituted Preference Shares). The terms of the Substituted Preference Shares shall provide that (x) the Substituted Preference Shares may only be redeemed on the Substitution Preference Share Early Redemption Date specified hereon or any dividend payment date thereafter (save for redemption, substitution or variation on terms analogous with the terms of Condition 6(e) and subject to the same conditions as those set out in Condition 6(b)); (y) that the Issuer has the right to choose whether or not to pay any dividend; and (z) that any dividend payable shall be non-cumulative (and accordingly there shall be no provision analogous to the AISM incorporated in the terms of the Substituted Preference Shares), and otherwise shall in all material commercial respects provide the holders thereof with at least the same economic rights and benefits (including those relating to non-cumulative (except as aforesaid) distributions and ranking) as are attached to the Notes and the Coupons taken together (save that it will be specified hereon whether or not the terms of any Substituted Preference Shares will contain a step-up in the dividend

- rate) (such terms to be as reasonably determined by the Issuer, and in connection therewith a certification signed by two Directors to the effect that the terms of the Substituted Preference Shares comply with the foregoing shall be delivered to the Trustee prior to the Issuer being able to effect such Preference Share Substitution).
- (ii) In connection with any Preference Share Substitution in accordance with this Condition 6(i), all Deferred Interest Payments and Accrued Interest Payments (if any) will be satisfied on the Substitution Date by the operation of Condition 5(c).
- (iii) The Issuer shall enclose with the Substitution Notice a substitution confirmation (the "Substitution Confirmation") which each Noteholder will be required to complete, and which shall require each Noteholder to provide to the Issuer such information as the Issuer may reasonably require to be able to effect a Preference Share Substitution in accordance with this Condition 6(i). The form of such Substitution Confirmation shall also be made available at the offices of each Paying Agent. To receive Substituted Preference Shares in respect of its holding of Notes, each Noteholder must deliver to a Paying Agent a duly completed Substitution Confirmation together with all relevant Notes held by it. Any such Preference Share Substitution shall be effected subject in each case to any applicable fiscal laws or other laws or regulations. Certificates (if any) for Substituted Preference Shares issued on a Preference Share Substitution will be despatched by or on behalf of the Issuer by mail free of charge (but uninsured and at the risk of the person entitled thereto) within one month of the later of the Substitution Date and receipt of a duly completed Substitution Confirmation. Noteholders will continue to be entitled to receive payments in respect of the Notes until the Substitution Date (provided that the Substituted Preference Shares are available for issue as aforesaid from the Substitution Date and the Issuer makes the payment referred to in Condition 6(i)(ii)) and thereafter Noteholders will have no further rights, title or interest in or to their Notes except to have them substituted in the manner described in this Condition 6(i). Each Substituted Preference Share allotted will rank for any dividend from the Substitution Date and will, without prejudice to Condition 6(i)(ii), have no entitlement to any Accrued Interest Payment or any other payment on the Notes.
- (iv) The Issuer will pay any stamp duty reserve taxes or capital duties or stamp duties or similar taxes payable in the United Kingdom arising on the allotment and issue of the Substituted Preference Shares. The Issuer will not be obliged to pay, and each Noteholder delivering Notes and a duly completed Substitution Confirmation to a Paying Agent must pay, any other taxes, stamp duty reserve taxes and capital, stamp, issue and registration duties arising on the relevant Preference Share Substitution. The Issuer will not be obliged to pay, and each Noteholder must pay, all, if any, taxes arising by reference to any disposal or deemed disposal of a Note in connection with such Preference Share Substitution. If it would have an adverse effect on the stamp duty, stamp duty reserve tax or other documentary or registration tax or duty position of the Noteholders or the Couponholders (or of any purchaser of the Substituted Preference Shares in respect of the purchase from the person to whom the Substituted Preference Shares are originally allotted) for the Substituted Preference Shares not to be deposited on issue with a common depositary on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, the Issuer shall use all reasonable endeavours to procure that the Substituted Preference Shares are so deposited and that no election is made in respect of the Substituted Preference Shares in accordance with with section 97A of the Finance Act 1986.
- (v) Prior to the publication of a Substitution Notice, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two Directors stating that a Substitution Event has occurred and is continuing as at the date of the certificate, and the Trustee shall be entitled to accept such certificate as sufficient evidence of the occurrence and continuation of such Substitution Event in which event it shall be conclusive and binding on the Noteholders.
- (vi) Following delivery by the Issuer of a Substitution Notice, the Issuer shall use all reasonable endeavours to obtain and maintain a listing of the Substituted Preference Shares on a Recognised Stock Exchange.
- (vii) In connection with any Preference Share Substitution in accordance with this Condition 6(i), the Issuer shall comply with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Notes are for the time being listed or admitted to trading, and (for so long as the Notes are listed on

the London Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange require) shall publish a supplement in connection therewith.

- (viii) The provisions of this Condition 6(i) (except for Condition 6(i)(ii) as regards satisfaction of Accrued Interest Payments (if any)) will apply *mutatis mutandis* to Conditions 6(c) and 6(e) in the event that the Qualifying Tier 1 Securities for which the Notes may be substituted in accordance with either of Conditions 6(c) and 6(e) comprise Substituted Preference Shares.
- (ix) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Condition 6(i), the Issuer shall be entitled to take such steps as it may determine to be necessary or desirable to avoid or mitigate any stamp duty, stamp duty reserve tax or other tax consequences arising in relation to the Substituted Preference Shares, and its obligations under this Condition 6(i) in respect of a Preference Share Substitution shall be satisfied if there shall be issued and delivered to the Noteholders perpetual non-cumulative securities issued by another entity and secured on Substituted Preference Shares and representing and/or passing through to Noteholders the economic effect of such Substituted Preference Shares and in particular with provisions relating to payments which match those in relation to the Substituted Preference Shares (as to timing and amount, and as to waiver and subordination) and provided that:
  - (a) if at the relevant time the Subordinated Preference Shares are rated by one or more Rating Agency, each such Rating Agency shall assign the same rating to such perpetual non-cumulative securities as it has assigned to the Substituted Preference Shares; or
  - (b) if at the relevant time the Substituted Preference Shares are not rated by any Rating Agency, an independent investment bank of international repute, selected by the Issuer and approved by the Trustee, shall have confirmed to the Issuer that, in its opinion, if a rating were to be given to the Substituted Preference Shares at such time by a Rating Agency, such Rating Agency would be likely to assign at least the same rating to such perpetual non-cumulative securities.

## 7 Payments and Talons

# (a) Bearer Notes

Payments of principal and interest in respect of Bearer Notes shall, subject as mentioned below, be made against presentation and surrender of the relevant Notes (in the case of all payments of principal and, in the case of interest, as specified in Condition 7(f)(iv)) or Coupons (in the case of interest, save as specified in Condition 7(f)(i)), as the case may be, at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States by a cheque payable in the relevant currency drawn on, or, at the option of the holder, by transfer to an account denominated in such currency with, a Bank. "Bank" means a bank in the principal financial centre for such currency or, in the case of euro, in a city in which banks have access to the TARGET System.

# (b) Registered Notes

- (i) Payments of principal in respect of Registered Notes shall be made against presentation and surrender of the relevant Certificates at the specified office of any of the Transfer Agents or of the Registrar and in the manner provided in paragraph (ii) below.
- (ii) Interest on Registered Notes shall be paid to the person shown on the Register at the close of business on the fifteenth day before the due date for payment thereof (the "Record Date"). Payments of interest on each Registered Note shall be made in the relevant currency by cheque drawn on a Bank and mailed to the holder (or to the first named of joint holders) of such Note at its address appearing in the Register. Upon application by the holder to the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent before the Record Date, such payment of interest may be made by transfer to an account in the relevant currency maintained by the payee with a Bank.

#### (c) Payments in the United States

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Bearer Notes are denominated in U.S. dollars, payments in respect thereof may be made at the specified office of any Paying Agent in New York City in the same manner as aforesaid if (i) the Issuer shall have appointed Paying Agents with specified offices outside the United States

with the reasonable expectation that such Paying Agents would be able to make payment of the amounts on the Notes in the manner provided above when due, (ii) payment in full of such amounts at all such offices is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions on payment or receipt of such amounts and (iii) such payment is then permitted by United States law, without involving, in the opinion of the Issuer, any adverse tax consequence to the Issuer.

### (d) Payments subject to Fiscal Laws

All payments are subject in all cases to any applicable fiscal or other laws, regulations and directives, but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 8. No commission or expenses shall be charged to the Noteholders or Couponholders in respect of such payments.

## (e) Appointment of Agents

The Issuing and Paying Agent, the Paying Agents, the Registrar, the Transfer Agents, the AISM Calculation Agent and the Calculation Agent initially appointed by the Issuer and their respective specified offices are listed below. Subject as provided in the Agency Agreement, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Paying Agents, the Registrar, the Transfer Agents, the AISM Calculation Agent and the Calculation Agent act solely as agents of the Issuer and do not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any Noteholder or Couponholder. The Issuer reserves the right at any time with the approval of the Trustee to vary or terminate the appointment of the Issuing and Paying Agent, any other Paying Agent, the Registrar, any Transfer Agent, the AISM Calculation Agent or the Calculation Agent(s) and to appoint additional or other Paying Agents or Transfer Agents, provided that the Issuer shall at all times maintain (i) an Issuing and Paying Agent, (ii) a Registrar in relation to Registered Notes, (iii) a Transfer Agent in relation to Registered Notes, (iv) one or more Calculation Agent(s) where the Conditions so require, (v) a Paying Agent having a specified office in a European Union member state (so long as there is such a member state) that will not be obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive and (vi) a Paying Agent having specified offices in London so long as the Notes are admitted to the Official List of the FSA in its capacity as competent authority under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's EEA Regulated Market.

If the AISM Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or if it fails to make a determination or calculation or otherwise fails to perform its duties under these Conditions or the AISM Calculation Agency Agreement, the Issuer shall appoint, on terms acceptable to the Trustee, an independent investment bank acceptable to the Trustee to act as such in its place. All calculations and determinations made by the AISM Calculation Agent shall (save in the case of manifest error or error proven to the satisfaction of the Trustee) be final and binding on the Issuer, the Trustee, the Agents, the Noteholders and the Couponholders.

None of the Issuer, the Trustee or the other Agents shall have any responsibility to any person for any errors or omissions in any calculation, or any sale of Ordinary Shares made pursuant to Condition 5(c) or otherwise, by the AISM Calculation Agent.

In addition, the Issuer shall forthwith appoint a Paying Agent in New York City in respect of any Bearer Notes denominated in U.S. dollars in the circumstances described in Condition 7(c).

Notice of any such change or any change of any specified office shall promptly be given to the Noteholders.

### (f) Unmatured Coupons and unexchanged Talons

- (i) Upon the due date for redemption of any Bearer Note, unmatured Coupons relating to such Note (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect of them.
- (ii) Upon the due date for redemption of any Bearer Note, any unexchanged Talon relating to such Note (whether or not attached) shall become void and no Coupon shall be delivered in respect of such Talon.
- (iii) Where any Bearer Note is presented for redemption without all unmatured Coupons, and where any Bearer Note is presented for redemption without any unexchanged Talon relating to it, redemption shall be made only against the provision of such indemnity as the Issuer may require.

(iv) If the due date for redemption of any Note is not a due date for payment of interest, interest accrued from the preceding due date for payment of interest or the Interest Commencement Date, as the case may be, shall only be payable against presentation (and surrender if appropriate) of the relevant Bearer Note or Certificate representing it, as the case may be.

### (g) Talons

On or after the Interest Payment Date for the final Coupon forming part of a Coupon sheet issued in respect of any Bearer Note, the Talon forming part of such Coupon sheet may be surrendered at the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent in exchange for a further Coupon sheet (and another Talon for a further Coupon sheet) (but excluding any Coupons that may have become void pursuant to Condition 9).

### (h) Non-Business Days

If any date for payment in respect of any Note or Coupon is not a business day, the holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following business day nor to any interest or other sum in respect of such postponed payment. In this paragraph, "business day" means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business in the relevant place of presentation, in such jurisdictions as shall be specified as "Additional Financial Centres" hereon and:

- (i) (in the case of a payment in a currency other than euro) where payment is to be made by transfer to an account maintained with a bank in the relevant currency, on which foreign exchange transactions may be carried on in the relevant currency in the principal financial centre of the country of such currency or
- (ii) (in the case of a payment in euro) which is a TARGET Business Day.

#### 8 Taxation

All payments of principal and interest by or on behalf of the Issuer in respect of the Notes and the Coupons shall be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of, any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by or within the United Kingdom or any authority therein or thereof having power to tax, unless such withholding or deduction is required by law. In that event, the Issuer shall pay such additional amounts as shall result in receipt by the Noteholders and Couponholders of such amounts as would have been received by them had no such withholding or deduction been required by law to be made, except that no such additional amounts shall be payable with respect to any Note or Coupon:

# (a) Other connection

presented for payment by or on behalf of, a holder who is liable to such taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges in respect of such Note or Coupon by reason of his having some connection with the United Kingdom other than the mere holding of the Note or Coupon or

### (b) Lawful avoidance of withholding

presented for payment by or on behalf of, a holder who could lawfully avoid (but has not so avoided) such deduction or withholding by complying or procuring that any third party complies with any statutory requirements or by making or procuring that any third party makes a declaration of non residence or other similar claim for exemption to any tax authority in the place where the relevant Note (or the Certificate representing it) or Coupon is presented for payment or

# (c) Presentation more than 30 days after the Relevant Date

presented (or in respect of which the Certificate representing it is presented) for payment more than 30 days after the Relevant Date (as defined below) except to the extent that the holder of it would have been entitled to such additional amounts on presenting it for payment on the thirtieth day or

#### (d) Payment to individuals

where such withholding or deduction is imposed on a payment to an individual and is required to be made pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive or any agreement between the European Union and any jurisdiction providing for equivalent measures or

## (e) Payment by another Paying Agent

(except in the case of the payment of interest in respect of Registered Notes) presented for payment by or on behalf of a holder who would have been able to avoid such withholding or deduction by presenting the relevant Note or Coupon to another Paying Agent (or, in the case of the payment of principal in respect of Registered Notes, another Transfer Agent or, if applicable, the Registrar) in a Member State of the European Union.

As used in these Conditions, "Relevant Date" in respect of any Note or Coupon means the date on which payment in respect of it first becomes due or (if any amount of the money payable is improperly withheld or refused) the date on which payment in full of the amount outstanding is made or (if earlier) the date seven days after that on which notice is duly given to the Noteholders that, upon further presentation of the Note (or relative Certificate) or Coupon being made in accordance with the Conditions, such payment will be made, provided that payment is in fact made upon such presentation. References in these Conditions to (i) "principal" shall be deemed to include any premium payable in respect of the Notes, Optional Redemption Amount, Capital Disqualification Event Redemption Price, Suspension Redemption Price and all other amounts in the nature of principal payable pursuant to Condition 6 or any amendment or supplement to it, (ii) "interest" or "coupon" shall be deemed to include all Interest Amounts and all other amounts payable pursuant to Condition 4 or any amendment or supplement to it and (iii) "principal" and/or "interest" or "coupon" shall be deemed to include any additional amounts that may be payable under this Condition or any undertaking given in addition to or in substitution for it under the Trust Deed ("Additional Amounts").

# 9 Prescription

Claims against the Issuer for payment in respect of the Notes and Coupons (which, for this purpose, shall not include Talons) shall be prescribed and become void unless made within 10 years (in the case of principal) or five years (in the case of interest) from the appropriate Relevant Date in respect of them.

### 10 Non-Payment when Due

Notwithstanding any of the provisions below in Condition 10, the right to institute winding-up proceedings is limited to circumstances where payment has become due. Pursuant to Condition 3(b) no principal, premium, interest or any other amount will be due if the Issuer would not be solvent. Also, in the case of any Interest Payment, such Payment will not be due if the Issuer has elected to defer that Payment pursuant to Condition 5 or if the circumstances referred to in any of Conditions 5(c)(v), (vi) or (viii) then apply. The Trust Deed contains provisions entitling the Trustee to claim from the Issuer, inter alia, the fees, expenses and liabilities incurred by it in carrying out its duties under the Trust Deed. The restrictions on commencing proceedings described below will not apply to any such claim.

## (a) Proceedings for Winding-up

If the Issuer shall not make payment in respect of the Notes (in the case of payment of principal and/or premium) for a period of seven days or more after the due date for the same or (in the case of any Interest Amount, Deferred Interest Payment, Accrued Interest Payment or any payment under Clause 2.10 of the Trust Deed in respect of a payment shortfall) shall not make payment for a period of 14 days or more after the date on which such payment is due, the Issuer shall be deemed to be in default under the Trust Deed, the Notes and the Coupons and the Trustee may, notwithstanding the provisions of Condition 10(b), institute proceedings for the winding-up of the Issuer and/or prove in the winding-up of the Issuer and/or claim in the liquidation of the Issuer for such payment.

### (b) Enforcement

Without prejudice to Condition 10(a) and subject as provided in Condition 5(c)(ix), the Trustee may at its discretion and without further notice institute such proceedings against the Issuer as it may think fit to enforce any term or condition binding on the Issuer under the Trust Deed, the Notes or the Coupons (other than any payment obligation of the Issuer under or arising from the Notes, the Coupons or the Trust Deed, including, without limitation, payment of any principal or premium or satisfaction of any Payments in respect of the Notes or the Coupons, including any payment under Clause 2.10 of the Trust Deed in respect of a payment shortfall and damages awarded for breach of any obligations) and in no event shall the Issuer by virtue of the institution of any such proceedings, be obliged to pay any sum or sums, in cash or otherwise, sooner than the same would otherwise have been payable by it. Nothing in this Condition 10(b) shall, however, prevent the Trustee instituting proceedings for the winding-up of the Issuer, proving in any winding-up of the Issuer and/or claiming in any liquidation of the Issuer in respect of any payment obligations of the Issuer arising from the Notes, the Coupons or the Trust Deed (including any damages awarded for breach of any obligations).

### (c) Entitlement of Trustee

The Trustee shall not be bound to take any of the actions referred to in Condition 10(a) or (b) above against the Issuer to enforce the terms of the Trust Deed, the Notes or the Coupons unless (i) it shall have been so requested by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Noteholders or in writing by the holders of at least one-quarter in principal amount of the Notes then outstanding and (ii) it shall have been indemnified and/or secured to its satisfaction.

# (d) Right of Noteholders

No Noteholder or Couponholder shall be entitled to proceed directly against the Issuer or to institute proceedings for the winding-up or claim in the liquidation of the Issuer or to prove in such winding-up unless the Trustee, having become so bound to proceed or being able to prove in such winding-up or claim in such liquidation, fails to do so within a reasonable period and such failure shall be continuing, in which case the Noteholder or Couponholder shall have only such rights against the Issuer as those which the Trustee is entitled to exercise as set out in this Condition 10.

### (e) Extent of Noteholders' remedy

No remedy against the Issuer, other than as referred to in this Condition 10, shall be available to the Trustee or the Noteholders or Couponholders, whether for the recovery of amounts owing in respect of the Notes or under the Trust Deed or in respect of any breach by the Issuer of any of its other obligations under or in respect of the Notes, Coupons or under the Trust Deed.

# 11 Meetings of Noteholders, Modification, Waiver and Substitution

# (a) Meetings of Noteholders

The Trust Deed contains provisions for convening meetings of Noteholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the sanctioning by Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Trust Deed) of a modification of any of these Conditions or any provisions of the Trust Deed. Such a meeting may be convened by Noteholders holding not less than 10 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. The quorum for any meeting convened to consider an Extraordinary Resolution shall be one or more persons holding or representing a clear majority 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 held or represented, unless the business of such meeting includes consideration of proposals, *inter alia*, (i) to amend the dates of maturity or redemption of the Notes or any date for payment of interest or Interest Amounts or Deferred Interest Payment on the Notes, (ii) to reduce or cancel the nominal amount of, or any premium payable on redemption of, the Notes, (iii) to reduce the rate or rates of interest or Deferred Interest Payment in respect of the Notes or to vary the method or basis of calculating the rate or rates or amount of interest or the basis for calculating any Interest Amount in respect of the Notes, (iv) if a Minimum and/or a Maximum Rate of Interest is shown hereon, to reduce any such

Minimum and/or Maximum, (v) to vary any method of, or basis for, calculating the Nominal Redemption Amount, the Capital Disqualification Redemption Price, Suspension Redemption Price or the Optional Redemption Amount, (vi) to vary the currency or currencies of payment or denomination of the Notes, (vii) to take any steps that as specified hereon may only be taken following approval by an Extraordinary Resolution to which the special quorum provisions apply, (viii) to modify the provisions concerning the quorum required at any meeting of Noteholders or the majority required to pass the Extraordinary Resolution, or (ix) to modify Condition 3, in which case the necessary quorum shall be one or more persons holding or representing not less than two-thirds, or at any adjourned meeting not less than onethird per cent., in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. The agreement or approval of the Noteholders shall not be required in the case of any variation of these Conditions and/or the Trust Deed required to be made in the circumstances described in Conditions 6(c), 6(e) and 5(c)(viii) in connection with the substitution or variation of the Notes so that they become Qualifying Tier 1 Securities or Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities (as the case may be), and to which the Trustee has agreed pursuant to the relevant provisions of Conditions 6(c), 6(e) or 5(c)(viii), as the case may be. Any Extraordinary Resolution duly passed shall be binding on Noteholders (whether or not they were present at the meeting at which such resolution was passed) and on all Couponholders.

These Conditions may be amended, modified or varied in relation to any Series of Notes by the terms of the relevant Final Terms in relation to such Series.

### (b) Modification of the Trust Deed

The Trustee may agree, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to (i) any modification of any of the provisions of the Trust Deed or the Agency Agreement that is in the opinion of the Trustee of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a manifest error, and (ii) any other modification (except as mentioned in the Trust Deed), and any waiver or authorisation of any breach or proposed breach, of any of these Conditions and the provisions of the Trust Deed or the Agency Agreement that is in the opinion of the Trustee not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders.

Any such modification, authorisation or waiver shall be binding on the Noteholders and the Couponholders and, if the Trustee so requires, such modification shall be notified to the Noteholders as soon as practicable.

### (c) Notice to FSA

No modification to these Conditions or any other provisions of the Trust Deed (other than a modification which is in the opinion of the Trustee of a formal, minor or technical nature or to correct a manifest error) shall become effective unless the Issuer shall have given at least one month's prior written notice to, and received no objection from, the FSA (or such other period of notice as the FSA may from time to time require or accept and, in any event, provided that there is a requirement to give such notice).

#### (d) Substitution

The Trustee, if it is satisfied that so to do would not be materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders or Couponholders, may agree with the Issuer, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to the substitution on a subordinated basis equivalent to that referred to in Condition 2 of any person or persons incorporated in any country in the world (other than the United States) (the "Substitute Obligor") in place of the Issuer (or any previous Substitute Obligor under this Condition) as a new principal debtor under the Trust Deed, the Notes and the Coupons provided that:

- (i) a trust deed is executed or some other form of undertaking is given by the Substitute Obligor in form and manner satisfactory to the Trustee, agreeing to be bound by the terms of the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons, with any consequential amendments which the Trustee may deem appropriate, as fully as if the Substitute Obligor had been named in the Trust Deed and on the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons, as the principal debtor in place of the Issuer (or of any previous Substitute Obligor, as the case may be);
- (ii) (unless the successor in business of the Issuer is the Substitute Obligor) the obligations of the Substitute Obligor under the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons are guaranteed by the

Issuer (or the successor in business of the Issuer) on a subordinated basis equivalent to that referred to in Condition 3 and in the Trust Deed and in a form and manner satisfactory to the Trustee;

- (iii) if the directors of the Substitute Obligor or other officers acceptable to the Trustee shall certify that the Substitute Obligor is solvent at the time at which the said substitution is proposed to be effected, the Trustee may rely absolutely on such certification and shall not be bound to have regard to the financial condition, profits or prospects of the Substitute Obligor or to compare the same with those of the Issuer;
- (iv) (without prejudice to the rights of reliance of the Trustee under sub-paragraph (iii) above) the Trustee is satisfied that the said substitution is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders;
- (v) (without prejudice to the generality of sub-paragraph (i) above) the Trustee may in the event of such substitution agree, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to a change in the law governing the Trust Deed and/or the Notes and/or the Coupons and/or the Talons, provided that such change would not in the opinion of the Trustee be materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders:
- (vi) if the Substitute Obligor is, or becomes, subject generally to the taxing jurisdiction of a territory or any authority of or in that territory with power to tax (the "Substituted Territory") other than the territory of the taxing jurisdiction of which (or to any such authority of or in which) the Issuer is subject generally (the "Issuer's Territory"), the Substitute Obligor will (unless the Trustee otherwise agrees) give to the Trustee an undertaking satisfactory to the Trustee in terms corresponding to Condition 8 with the substitution for the references in that Condition and in Condition 6(c) to the Issuer's Territory of references to the Substituted Territory whereupon the Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons, will be read accordingly; and
- (vii) the Issuer and the Substitute Obligor comply with such other requirements as are reasonable in the interests of the Noteholders, as the Trustee may direct.

In connection with any proposed substitution as aforesaid, the Trustee shall have regard to the interests of the Noteholders as a class and the Trustee shall not have regard to the consequences of such substitution or such exercise for individual Noteholders or Couponholders resulting from their being for any purpose domiciled or resident in, or otherwise connected with, or subject to the jurisdiction of, any particular territory. In connection with any substitution or such exercise as aforesaid, no Noteholder or Couponholder shall be entitled to claim, whether from the Issuer, the Substitute Obligor or the Trustee or any other person, any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax consequence of any such substitution or any such exercise upon any individual Noteholders or Couponholders except to the extent already provided in Condition 8 and/or any undertaking given in addition thereto or in substitution therefor pursuant to the Trust Deed.

### 12 Entitlement of the Trustee

In connection with the exercise of its functions (including but not limited to those referred to in Condition 11) the Trustee shall have regard to the interests of the Noteholders as a class and shall not have regard to the consequences of such exercise for individual Noteholders or Couponholders and the Trustee shall not be entitled to require, nor shall any Noteholder or Couponholder be entitled to claim, from the Issuer any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax consequence of any such exercise upon individual Noteholders or Couponholders.

### 13 Indemnification of the Trustee

The Trust Deed contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee and for its relief from responsibility, including provisions relieving it from taking any action unless indemnified to its satisfaction. The Trustee is entitled to enter into business transactions with the Issuer and any entity related to the Issuer without accounting for any profit.

## 14 Replacement of Notes, Certificates, Coupons and Talons

If a Note, Certificate, Coupon or Talon is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be replaced, subject to applicable laws, regulations and stock exchange or other relevant authority regulations, at the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent (in the case of Bearer Notes, Coupons or Talons) and of the Registrar (in the case of Certificates) or such other Paying Agent or Transfer Agent, as the case may be, as may from time to time be

designated by the Issuer for the purpose and notice of whose designation is given to Noteholders, in each case on payment by the claimant of the fees and costs incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence, security and indemnity (which may provide, *inter alia*, that if the allegedly lost, stolen or destroyed Note, Certificate, Coupon or Talon is subsequently presented for payment or, as the case may be, for exchange for further Coupons, there shall be paid to the Issuer on demand the amount payable by the Issuer in respect of such Notes, Certificates, Coupons or further Coupons) and otherwise as the Issuer may require. Mutilated or defaced Notes, Certificates, Coupons or Talons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

### 15 Further Issues

The Issuer may from time to time without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders create and issue further securities either having the same terms and conditions as the Notes in all respects (or in all respects except for the first payment of interest on them) and so that such further issue shall be consolidated and form a single series with the outstanding securities of any series (including the Notes) or upon such terms as the Issuer may determine at the time of their issue. References in these Conditions to the Notes include (unless the context requires otherwise) any other securities issued pursuant to this Condition and forming a single series with the Notes. Any further securities forming a single series with the outstanding securities of any series (including the Notes) constituted by the Trust Deed or any deed supplemental to it shall, and any other securities may (with the consent of the Trustee), be constituted by the Trust Deed. The Trust Deed contains provisions for convening a single meeting of the Noteholders and the holders of securities of other series where the Trustee so decides.

#### 16 Notices

Notices to the holders of Registered Notes shall be mailed to them at their respective addresses in the Register and deemed to have been given on the fourth weekday (being a day other than a Saturday or a Sunday) after the date of mailing. Notices to the holders of Bearer Notes shall be valid if published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in London (which is expected to be the *Financial Times*). If in the opinion of the Trustee any such publication is not practicable, notice shall be validly given if published in another leading daily English language newspaper with general circulation in Europe. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given on the date of such publication or, if published more than once or on different dates, on the first date on which publication is made, as provided above.

Couponholders shall be deemed for all purposes to have notice of the contents of any notice given to the holders of Bearer Notes in accordance with this Condition.

### 17 Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

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

# 18 Definitions

"Accrued Interest Payment" means, as at any time, where these Conditions provide that interest shall continue to accrue after an Interest Payment Date in respect of a Note, the amount of interest accrued thereon in accordance with Condition 4 or 5(c)(vi);

"AISM Payment" means any Deferred Interest Payment and/or any Substitution Accrued Amount and/or any Accrued Interest Payment pursuant to Condition 5(c)(vi);

"AISM Payment Date" means the date on which an AISM Payment is to be satisfied pursuant to these Conditions;

"Additional Amounts" has the meaning given to it in Condition 8;

"Alternative Interest Satisfaction Mechanism" or "AISM" means the mechanism described in Condition 5(c);

"Assets" means the unconsolidated gross assets of the Issuer, as shown in the latest published audited balance sheet of the Issuer, but adjusted for subsequent events in such manner as the Directors may determine;

"Business Day" means a day, other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday, on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business in London;

"Capital Breach Event" means the occurrence of a breach by the Issuer or the Group or any member of the Group of the United Kingdom capital adequacy requirements, guidelines or measures or any other regulatory capital requirements, guidelines or measures applicable to the Issuer or the Group or any member of the Group, as the case may be (whether or not such requirements, guidelines or measures have the force of law and whether they are applied generally or specifically to the Issuer or the Group or any member of the Group, as the case may be);

"Capital Disqualification Event" is deemed to have occurred (1) if as a result of change of law or regulation or interpretation thereof applicable to the Notes, the Notes would not be capable of counting (save where such non-qualification is only as a result of any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital) as cover for the minimum capital resources requirement applicable to the Issuer under the Directive or the Relevant Rules; or (2) if, at any time the Issuer or the Group is required under the Directive or the Relevant Rules to have Tier 1 Capital, the Notes would no longer be eligible to qualify (save as aforesaid) for inclusion in the Tier 1 Capital of the Issuer on a solo and/or consolidated basis; or (3) if at any time the Issuer or the Group is required under the Directive and the Relevant Rules to have Tier 1 Capital and the Issuer would be entitled pursuant to Condition 6(i) to substitute the Notes by Substituted Preference Shares, such Substituted Preference Shares would no longer be eligible to qualify (save as aforesaid) for inclusion in the Tier 1 Capital of the Issuer on a solo and/or consolidated basis;

"Companies Act" means the Companies Act 1985 (as amended);

"Deferred Interest Payment" means (i) any Interest Payment which, pursuant to Condition 5, the Issuer has elected to defer and which has not been satisfied and (ii) any Interest Payment which, by reason of the condition to payment set out in Condition 3(b)(i), has not been satisfied;

"Directive" means Directive 98/78/EC of the European Union;

"Directors" means directors of the Issuer:

"Discretionary Interest Payment Date" means every Interest Payment Date with respect to which (I) an event of the type described under limb (1) of the definition of a Capital Disqualification Event has not occurred or is not continuing or (II) a Capital Breach Event has occurred prior to such Interest Payment Date and is continuing, or is reasonably likely to occur as a result of making the payments due, on such Interest Payment Date;

"Eligible Company" means a company incorporated in a member state of the European Union by or on behalf of the Issuer whose ordinary shares are listed (i) on the official list of the Financial Services Authority in its capacity as competent authority under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and are admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's EEA Regulated Market or (ii) on such other internationally Recognised Stock Exchange as the Trustee may approve;

"Eligible Securities" means Ordinary Shares, PIK Securities or other Preferred Parity Securities;

"European Economic Area" means the countries comprising the European Union together with Norway, Liechtenstein and Iceland;

"Financial Services Authority" or "FSA" means the Financial Services Authority or such other governmental authority in the United Kingdom (or if the Issuer becomes domiciled in a jurisdiction other than the United Kingdom, in such other jurisdiction) having primary insurance supervisory authority with respect to the Group;

"Group" means the Issuer and its Subsidiaries;

"holding company" has the meaning given to it under Section 736 of the Companies Act;

"Holding Company Shares" means ordinary shares of the New Holding Company;

"Intent-Based Replacement Disclosure" means, in relation to any non-cumulative perpetual preference share of the type referred to in the definition of Preferred Parity Securities, that the Issuer has publicly stated its intention, in the prospectus or other offering document under which such securities were initially offered for sale, that the Issuer and its subsidiaries will repay, redeem, repurchase or purchase such securities only with the proceeds of replacement capital securities that have terms and provisions at the time of repayment, redemption, repurchase or purchase that are as, or more, equity-like than the securities then being repaid, redeemed, repurchased or purchased, raised within 180 days prior to the delivery of the relevant notice of repayment or redemption or the date of such repurchase or purchase;

"interest" shall, where appropriate, include Interest Amounts, Deferred Interest Payments and Accrued Interest Payments;

"Interest Payment" means, in respect of an Interest Payment Date, the aggregate Interest Amounts for the Interest Period ending on such Interest Payment Date;

"Junior Securities" means the Ordinary Shares, together with any other securities of any member of the Group ranking or expressed to rank junior to the Notes (either issued directly by the Issuer or by a subsidiary undertaking and the terms of which securities benefit from a guarantee or support agreement ranking or expressed to rank junior to the Notes);

"Liabilities" means the unconsolidated gross liabilities of the Issuer, as shown in the latest published audited balance sheet of the Issuer, but adjusted for contingent liabilities and for subsequent events in such manner as the Directors may determine;

"London Stock Exchange" means the London Stock Exchange plc;

"Market Disruption Event" means, with respect to any class of Payment Eligible Securities, (i) the occurrence or existence of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading (by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the London Stock Exchange or otherwise) or on settlement procedures for transactions in such class of Payment Eligible Securities on the London Stock Exchange if, in any such case, that suspension or limitation is, in the determination of the AISM Calculation Agent, material in the context of the sale of such class of Payment Eligible Securities; or (ii) in the opinion of the Issuer, there has been a substantial deterioration in the price and/or value of the relevant Payment Eligible Securities or circumstances are such as to prevent or to a material extent restrict the issue or delivery of the relevant Payment Eligible Securities, as the case may be;

"New Holding Company" means an Eligible Company that becomes the ultimate holding company of the Group following a Permitted Restructuring;

"Notional Preference Shares" means preference shares in the capital of the Issuer having an equal right to a return of assets in the winding-up to, and so ranking *pari passu* with, the holders of the most senior class or classes of preference shares with non-cumulative dividends in the capital of the Issuer from time to time and which have a preferential right to a return of assets in the winding-up over, and so rank ahead of, the holders of all other classes of issued shares for the time being in the capital of the Issuer other than the Priority Preference Shares, but ranking junior to the claims of Senior Creditors and junior to any notional class of preference shares in the capital of the Issuer by reference to which the amount payable in respect of any Upper Tier 2 Securities in a winding-up of the Issuer is determined;

"Ordinary Shares" means ordinary shares of the Issuer, having on the Issue Date a par value of 25 pence each;

"Ordinary Shares Threshold" means, in connection with any Deferred Interest Payment, the aggregate number of Ordinary Shares issued and/or sold by the Issuer in any rolling 12-month period shall not exceed 2 per cent. of the aggregate number of the Ordinary Shares in issue at the start of such period (including those held in issue and held in treasury);

"Other Parity Securities" means securities issued by the Issuer the substantive terms of which are the same in all material respects as those of the Notes save for the pricing terms thereof (including interest rate, currency, denomination and payment dates) which are issued pursuant to Condition 5(c) and which comply with the then current requirements of the FSA in relation to Tier 1 Capital;

"Outstanding", in relation to any Interest Payment, Deferred Interest Payment or Interest Amount not falling within the definition of Interest Payment, means that such payment (a) has either become due and payable or would have become due and payable except for the non-satisfaction on the relevant date of the conditions referred to in Condition 3(b)(i) or the deferral, postponement or suspension of such payment in accordance with any of Condition 5, 5(c)(v), (vi) or (viii); and (b) in any such case has not been satisfied and, in respect of any Accrued Interest Payment, means any amount thereof which has not been satisfied whether or not payment has become due;

"Parity Securities" means the most senior ranking class or classes of preference shares in the capital of the Issuer from time to time (save for the Priority Preference Shares) and any other securities ranking or expressed to rank *pari passu* with the Notes and such preference shares whether issued directly by the Issuer or by a subsidiary undertaking and benefiting from a guarantee or support agreement ranking, or expressed to rank, *pari passu* with the Notes, including the Issuer's €700,000,000 4.7291 per cent. Fixed/Floating Rate Direct Capital Instruments and £500,000,000 5.9021 per cent. Fixed/Floating Rate Direct Capital Instruments;

"Payment" means any Interest Payment, Deferred Interest Payment, Accrued Interest Payment or Interest Amount not falling within the definition of Interest Payment;

"Payment Eligible Securities" has the meaning given to it in Condition 5(c)(iii)(aa);

"Permitted Restructuring" means the completion of (i) an offer made by or on behalf of, an Eligible Company to all (or as nearly as may be practicable all) shareholders of the Issuer (or, if the Issuer is not the Ultimate Owner, the then Ultimate Owner) to acquire the whole (or as nearly as may be practicable the whole) of the issued ordinary share capital of the Issuer (or, if the Issuer is not then Ultimate Owner, the then Ultimate Owner) other than those already held by or on behalf of such Eligible Company or (ii) a reorganisation or restructuring whether by way of a scheme of arrangement or otherwise pursuant to which an Eligible Company acquires all (or as nearly as may be practicable all) of the issued ordinary share capital of the Issuer (or, if the Issuer is not then Ultimate Owner, the then Ultimate Owner) other than those already held by such Eligible Company or pursuant to which all (or as nearly as may be practicable all) of the issued ordinary share capital of the Issuer (or, if the Issuer is not then the Ultimate Owner, the then Ultimate Owner) not held by the New Holding Company are cancelled;

"Permitted Restructuring Arrangement" means an arrangement whereby the following conditions are satisfied (a) the execution of a trust deed supplemental to the Trust Deed and/or such other documentation as may be necessary to ensure that (i) the alternative interest satisfaction mechanism as described in Condition 5(c), the Trust Deed and the AISM Calculation Agency Agreement operates so that Ordinary Shares may be exchanged for Holding Company Shares in such a manner that ensures that upon sale of such Holding Company Shares the Noteholder of each Note then outstanding will receive, in the event of a payment to be satisfied pursuant to Condition 5(c), an amount not less than that which would have been receivable had such a Permitted Restructuring not taken place and (ii) the economic effect, for the Noteholders, of a holding of the Notes prior to the Permitted Restructuring is substantially preserved; and (b) the Trustee is satisfied that the credit ratings that would be assigned to the Notes by Standard & Poor's, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. and by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. following any such Permitted Restructuring, shall not be less than those assigned to the Notes immediately prior to such Permitted Restructuring taking place as confirmed by each such rating agency in writing;

"PIK Securities" means further Notes which are issued pursuant to Condition 5(c) and which comply with the then current requirements of the FSA in relation to Tier 1 Capital;

"PIK Securities Threshold" means the principal amount of PIK Securities and Other Parity Securities issued and/or sold by the Issuer on one or more occasions should not in aggregate exceed 15 per cent. of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes issued on the Issue Date (as increased by any further Notes (other than PIK Securities) issued pursuant to Condition 15);

"Preference Share Substitution" has the meaning given to it in Condition 6(i);

"Preferred Parity Securities" means (i) PIK Securities; (ii) Other Parity Securities; and (iii) non-cumulative perpetual preference shares which contain terms which comply with the then current requirements of the FSA in relation to Tier 1 Capital of the Issuer and either (a) which contain a provision for mandatory deferral of periodic dividends or distributions upon a failure to satisfy one or more financial tests set forth in the terms of the Preferred Parity Securities and, if the Issuer is no longer a holding company of a regulated insurance company, in respect of which the Issuer has made Intent-Based Replacement Disclosure or (b) in respect of which the Issuer has entered into a replacement capital covenant for the benefit of one or more designated series of the Issuer's debt securities;

"Preferred Parity Securities Threshold" means the principal amount of Preferred Parity Securities (including PIK Securities and other Parity Securities) issued and/or sold by the Issuer on one or more occasions shall not in aggregate exceed 25 per cent. of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes issued on the Issue Date (as increased by any further Notes (other than PIK Securities) issued pursuant to Condition 15);

"Priority Preference Shares" means the 100,000,000 8.375 per cent. cumulative irredeemable preference shares of £1 each and 100,000,000 8.75 per cent. cumulative irredeemable preference shares of £1 each, in each case issued by the Issuer;

"Qualifying Tier 1 Securities" means securities issued directly or indirectly by the Issuer that:

(a) have terms not materially less favourable to an investor (as reasonably determined by the Issuer, and provided that a certification to such effect of two Directors shall have been delivered to the Trustee prior to the issue of the relevant securities) than the terms of the Notes, provided that they shall include a ranking at least equal to

that of the Notes and the same rate of interest from time to time applying to the Notes but not necessarily having provisions analogous to the provisions of Condition 5(c), and further provided that they shall comply with the then current requirements of the FSA in relation to Tier 1 Capital and shall preserve any existing rights under these Conditions to any Accrued Interest Payment which has not been paid; and

(b) are listed on the London Stock Exchange, the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or such other stock exchange as is a Recognised Stock Exchange at that time as selected by the Issuer and approved by the Trustee;

"Qualifying Upper Tier 2 Securities" means securities issued directly or indirectly by the Issuer that:

- (a) have terms not materially less favourable to an investor (as reasonably determined by the Issuer, and provided that a certification to such effect of two Directors shall have been delivered to the Trustee prior to the issue of the relevant securities) than the terms of the Notes provided that (1) they shall contain terms which comply with the then current requirements of the FSA in relation to Upper Tier 2 Capital, (2) the same rate of interest from time to time applying to the Notes and (3) such securities preserve any existing rights under these Conditions to any Accrued Interest Payment which has not been paid, but provided that such securities need not include provisions analogous to the provisions of Condition 5(c); and
- (b) are listed on the London Stock Exchange, the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or such other stock exchange as is a Recognised Stock Exchange at that time as selected by the Issuer and approved by the Trustee;

"Recognised Stock Exchange" means a recognised stock exchange as defined in section 1005 of the Income Tax Act 2007 as the same may be amended from time to time and any provision, statute or statutory instrument replacing the same from time to time;

"Relevant Date" means (i) in respect of any payment other than a Solvency Claim to be paid by the Issuer in a winding-up of the Issuer, the date on which such payment first becomes due and payable but, if the full amount of the moneys payable on such date has not been received by the Issuing and Paying Agent or the Trustee on or prior to such date, the "Relevant Date" means the date on which such moneys shall have been so received and notice to that effect shall have been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 16, and (ii) in respect of a Solvency Claim to be paid by the Issuer in a winding-up of the Issuer, the date which is one day prior to the commencement of the winding-up;

"Relevant Rules" means any legislation, rules or regulations (whether having the force of law or otherwise) in any state within the European Economic Area implementing the Directive);

"Senior Creditors" means (a) creditors of the Issuer who are unsubordinated creditors of the Issuer; (b) creditors of the Issuer whose claims are, or are expressed to be, subordinated to the claims of other creditors of the Issuer (other than those whose claims constitute, or would but for any applicable limitation on the amount of such capital, constitute, Tier 1 Capital or whose claims rank, or are expressed to rank *pari passu* with, or junior to, the claims of Noteholders); (c) creditors of the Issuer whose claims are in respect of the Issuer's outstanding debt securities which constitute Tier 2 Capital (and such other securities outstanding from time to time which rank *pari passu* with, or senior to, any of such Tier 2 Capital); and (d) holders of Priority Preference Shares;

"Solvency Claim" has the meaning given to it in Condition 3(b)(ii);

"Subsidiary" means each subsidiary for the time being of the Issuer;

"subsidiary" or "subsidiary undertaking" has the meaning given to subsidiary undertaking under section 258 of the Companies Act;

"Substitute Obligor" has the meaning given to it in Condition 12;

"Substituted Preference Shares" has the meaning given to it in Condition 6(i)(i);

"Substituted Territory" has the meaning given to it in Condition 12(d);

"Substitution Accrued Amount" means any Accrued Interest Payment which is to be satisfied on substitution of the Notes for Substituted Preference Shares in accordance with Condition 6(i)(ii);

"Substitution Date" has the meaning given to it in Condition 6(i)(i);

"Substitution Event" means the occurrence of a breach by the Issuer or the Group or any member of the Group of the United Kingdom capital adequacy requirements, guidelines or measures or any other regulatory capital

requirements, guidelines or measures applicable to the Issuer or the Group or any member of the Group, as the case may be (whether or not such requirements, guidelines or measures have the force of law and whether they are applied generally or specifically to the Issuer or the Group or any member of the Group, as the case may be);

"Substitution Notice" has the meaning given in Condition 6(i)(i);

"Suspension" has the meaning given to it in Condition 5(c)(viii);

"Tax Event" means an event of the type described in Condition 6(c)(i) and (ii);

"Tax Law Change" has the meaning given to it in Condition 6(c)(i);

"Tier 1 Capital" and "Tier 2 Capital" have the respective meanings given to them from time to time by the FSA;

"Treaty" means the Treaty establishing the European Communities (signed in Rome on 25 March 1957), as amended;

"Ultimate Owner" means, at any given time, the ultimate holding company of the Group;

"Upper Tier 2 Capital" has the meaning given to it by the FSA from time to time; and

"Upper Tier 2 Securities" means the Issuer's outstanding debt securities which constitute Upper Tier 2 Capital and such other securities outstanding from time to time which rank *pari passu* with such securities.

### 19 Governing Law

The Trust Deed, the Notes, the Coupons and the Talons are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law.

### SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE NOTES WHILE IN GLOBAL FORM

#### **Initial Issue of Notes**

If the Global Notes in respect of any series of Senior Notes are stated in the applicable Final Terms to be issued in NGN form, they are intended to be eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy and the Global Notes will be delivered on or prior to the original issue date of the Tranche to a Common Safekeeper. Depositing the Global Notes with the Common Safekeeper does not necessarily mean that the relevant Senior 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.

Global Notes which are issued in CGN form and Certificates may be delivered on or prior to the original issue date of the Tranche to a Common Depositary.

If the Global Note is a CGN, upon the initial deposit of a Global Note with a common depositary for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (the "Common Depositary") or registration of Registered Notes in the name of any nominee for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and delivery of the relative Global Certificate to the Common Depositary, Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg will credit each subscriber with a nominal amount of Notes equal to the nominal amount thereof for which it has subscribed and paid. If the Global Note is an NGN, the nominal amount of the Notes shall be the aggregate amount from time to time entered in the records of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg. The records of such clearing system shall be conclusive evidence of the nominal amount of Notes represented by the Global Note and a statement issued by such clearing system at any time shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the relevant clearing system at that time.

Notes that are initially deposited with the Common Depositary may also be credited to the accounts of subscribers with (if indicated in the relevant Final Terms) other clearing systems through direct or indirect accounts with Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg held by such other clearing systems. Conversely, Notes that are initially deposited with any other clearing system may similarly be credited to the accounts of subscribers with Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or other clearing systems.

# Relationship of Accountholders with Clearing Systems

Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or any other clearing system as the holder of a Note represented by a Global Note or a Global Certificate must look solely to Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or such clearing system (as the case may be) for his share of each payment made by the Issuer to the bearer of such Global Note or the holder of the underlying Registered Notes, as the case may be, and in relation to all other rights arising under the Global Notes or Global Certificates subject to and in accordance with the respective rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, or such clearing system (as the case may be). Such persons shall have no claim directly against the Issuer in respect of payments due on the Notes for so long as the Notes are represented by such Global Note or Global Certificate and such obligations of the Issuer will be discharged by payment to the bearer of such Global Note or the holder of the underlying Registered Notes, as the case may be, in respect of each amount so paid.

### **Exchange**

# Temporary Global Notes

Each temporary Global Note will be exchangeable, free of charge to the holder, on or after its Exchange Date:

- (i) if the relevant Final Terms indicates that such Global Note is issued in compliance with the C Rules or in a transaction to which TEFRA is not applicable (as to which, see "Overview of the Programme-Selling Restrictions"), in whole, but not in part, for the Definitive Notes defined and described below and
- (ii) otherwise, in whole or in part upon certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership in the form set out in the Agency Agreement for interests in a permanent Global Note or, if so provided in the relevant Final Terms, for Definitive Notes.

## Permanent Global Notes

Each permanent Global Note will be exchangeable, free of charge to the holder, on or after its Exchange Date in whole but not in part for Definitive Notes if the permanent Global Note is held on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or any other clearing system (an "Alternative Clearing System") and any such clearing system is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holidays, statutory or otherwise) or announces an intention permanently to cease business or in fact does so.

In the event that a Global Note is exchanged for Definitive Notes, such Definitive Notes shall be issued in Specified Denomination(s) only. Noteholders who hold Notes in the relevant clearing system in amounts that are not integral multiples of a Specified Denomination may need to purchase or sell, on or before the relevant Exchange Date, a principal amount of Notes such that their holding is an integral multiple of a Specified Denomination.

## Permanent Global Certificates

If the Final Terms states that the Notes are to be represented by a permanent Global Certificate on issue, the following will apply in respect of transfers of Notes held in Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or an Alternative Clearing System. These provisions will not prevent the trading of interests in the Notes within a clearing system whilst they are held on behalf of such clearing system, but will limit the circumstances in which the Notes may be withdrawn from the relevant clearing system.

Transfers of the holding of Notes represented by any Global Certificate pursuant to Condition 2(a) may only be made in part:

- (i) if the relevant clearing system is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holidays, statutory or otherwise) or announces an intention permanently to cease business or does in fact do so; or
- (ii) with the consent of the Issuer,

provided that, in the case of the first transfer of part of a holding pursuant to (i) above, the Registered Holder has given the Registrar not less than 30 days' notice at its specified office of the Registered Holder's intention to effect such transfer.

# **Delivery of Notes**

If the Global Note is a CGN, on or after any due date for exchange the holder of a Global Note may surrender such Global Note or, in the case of a partial exchange, present it for endorsement to or to the order of the Issuing and Paying Agent. In exchange for any Global Note, or the part thereof to be exchanged, the Issuer will (i) in the case of a temporary Global Note exchangeable for a permanent Global Note, deliver, or procure the delivery of, a permanent Global Note in an aggregate nominal amount equal to that of the whole or that part of a temporary Global Note that is being exchanged or, in the case of a subsequent exchange, endorse, or procure the endorsement of, a permanent Global Note to reflect such exchange or (ii) in the case of a Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes or Registered Notes, deliver, or procure the delivery of, an equal aggregate nominal amount of duly executed and authenticated Definitive Notes and/or Certificates, as the case may be, or if the Global Note is a NGN, the Issuer will procure that details of such exchange be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant clearing system. In this Prospectus, "Definitive Notes" means, in relation to any Global Note, the definitive Bearer Notes for which such Global Note may be exchanged (if appropriate, having attached to them all Coupons in respect of interest that has not already been paid on the Global Note and a Talon). Definitive Notes will be security printed and Certificates will be printed in accordance with any applicable legal and stock exchange requirements in or substantially in the form set out in the Schedules to the Trust Deed. On exchange in full of each permanent Global Note, the Issuer will, if the holder so requests, procure that it is cancelled and returned to the holder together with the relevant Definitive Notes.

### **Exchange Date**

"Exchange Date" means, in relation to a temporary Global Note, the day falling after the expiry of 40 days after its issue date and, in relation to a permanent Global Note, a day falling not less than 60 days, or in the case of an exchange for Registered Notes five days, or in the case of failure to pay principal in respect of any Notes when due 30 days, after that on which the notice requiring exchange is given and on which banks are open for business in the city in which the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent is located and in the city in which the relevant clearing system is located.

### Amendment to Conditions

The temporary Global Notes, permanent Global Notes and Global Certificates contain provisions that apply to the Notes that they represent, some of which modify the effect of the terms and conditions of the Notes set out in this Prospectus. The following is a summary of certain of those provisions:

### **Payments**

No payment falling due after the Exchange Date will be made on any Global Note unless exchange for an interest in a permanent Global Note or for Definitive Notes or Registered Notes is improperly withheld or refused. Payments on any temporary Global Note issued in compliance with the D Rules before the Exchange Date will only be made against presentation of certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership in the form set out in the Agency Agreement. All payments in respect of Notes represented by a Global Note in CGN form will be made against presentation for endorsement and, if no further payment falls to be made in respect of the Notes, surrender of that Global Note to or to the order of the Issuing and Paying Agent or such other Paying Agent as shall have been notified to the Noteholders for such purpose. If the Global Note is a CGN, a record of each payment so made will be endorsed on each Global Note, which endorsement will be *prima facie* evidence that such payment has been made in respect of the Notes. Condition 7(e)(vi) and Condition 8(e) will apply to the Definitive Notes only. If the Global Note is a NGN, the Issuer shall procure that details of each such payment shall be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant clearing system and in the case of payments of principal, the nominal amount of the Notes recorded in the records of the relevant clearing system and represented by the Global Note will be reduced accordingly. Payments under the NGN will be made to its holder. Each payment so made will discharge the Issuer's obligations in respect thereof. Any failure to make the entries in the records of the relevant clearing system shall not affect such discharge.

### Prescription

Claims against the Issuer in respect of Notes that are represented by a permanent Global Note will become void unless it is presented for payment within a period of 10 years (in the case of principal) and 5 years (in the case of interest) from the appropriate Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 8).

# Meetings

The holder of a permanent Global Note or of the Notes represented by a Global Certificate shall (unless such permanent Global Note or Global Certificate represents only one Note) be treated as being two persons for the purposes of any quorum requirements of a meeting of Noteholders and, at any such meeting, the holder of a permanent Global Note shall be treated as having one vote in respect of each £1 of principal amount of the Notes.

#### Cancellation

Cancellation of any Note represented by a permanent Global Note that is required by the Conditions to be cancelled (other than upon its redemption) will be effected by reduction in the nominal amount of the relevant permanent Global Note.

# Purchase

Notes represented by a permanent Global Note may only be purchased by the Issuer or any of its subsidiaries if they are purchased together with the rights to receive all future payments of interest (if any) thereon.

#### Issuer's Option

Any option of the Issuer provided for in the Conditions of any Notes while such Notes are represented by a permanent Global Note shall be exercised by the Issuer giving notice to the Noteholders within the time limits set out in and containing the information required by the Conditions, except that the notice shall not be required to contain the serial numbers of Notes drawn in the case of a partial exercise of an option and accordingly no drawing of Notes shall be required. In the event that any option of the Issuer is exercised in respect of some but not all of the Notes of any Series, the rights of accountholders with a clearing system in respect of the Notes will be governed by the standard procedures of Euroclear, 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) or any other clearing system (as the case may be).

#### Noteholders' Options

Any option of the Noteholders provided for in the Conditions of any Notes while such Notes are represented by a permanent Global Note may be exercised by the holder of the permanent Global Note giving notice to the Issuing and Paying Agent within the time limits relating to the deposit of Notes with a Paying Agent set out in the Conditions substantially in the form of the notice available from any Paying Agent, except that the notice shall not be required to contain the serial numbers of the Notes in respect of which the option has been exercised, and stating the nominal amount of Notes in respect of which the option is exercised and at the same time, where the permanent Global Note is a CGN, presenting the permanent Global Note to the Issuing and Paying Agent, or to a Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuing and Paying Agent, for notation. Where the Global Note is a NGN, the Issuer shall procure that details of such exercise shall be entered *pro rata* in the records of the relevant clearing system and the nominal amount of the Notes recorded in those records will be reduced accordingly.

#### NGN nominal amount

Where the Global Note is a NGN, the Issuer shall procure that any exchange, payment, cancellation, exercise of any option or any right under the Notes, as the case may be, in addition to the circumstances set out above shall be entered in the records of the relevant clearing systems and upon any such entry being made, in respect of payments of principal, the nominal amount of the Senior Notes represented by such Global Note shall be adjusted accordingly.

### Trustee's Powers

In considering the interests of Noteholders while any Global Note is held on behalf of, or Registered Notes are registered in the name of, any nominee for a clearing system, the Trustee may have regard to any information provided to it by such clearing system or its operator as to the identity (either individually or by category) of its accountholders with entitlements to such Global Note or Registered Notes and may consider such interests as if such accountholders were the holders of the Notes represented by such Global Note or Global Certificate and, in the case of Registered Notes only, the Trustee may have regard to any other letter of confirmation, form of record, information and/or certification as the Trustee shall, in its absolute discretion, think fit as evidence that at any particular time or throughout any particular period any particular person should be regarded as having an interest in a particular nominal amount of Registered Notes and if the Trustee does so rely on such evidence, such letter of confirmation, form of record, information and/or certification shall be conclusive and binding on all concerned.

### **Notices**

So long as any Notes are represented by a Global Note and such Global Note is held on behalf of a clearing system, notices to the holders of Notes of that Series may be given by delivery of the relevant notice to that clearing system for communication by it to entitled accountholders in substitution for publication as required by the Conditions or by delivery of the relevant notice to the holder of the Global Note.

# Partly Paid Notes

Only Senior Notes may be issued as Partly Paid Notes. The provisions relating to Partly Paid Notes are not set out in this Prospectus, but will be contained in the relevant Final Terms and thereby in the Global Notes. While any instalments of the subscription moneys due from the holder of Partly Paid Notes are overdue, no interest in a Global Note representing such Senior Notes may be exchanged for an interest in a permanent Global Note or for Definitive Notes (as the case may be). If any Noteholder fails to pay any instalment due on any partly Paid Notes within the time specified, the Issuer may forfeit such Senior Notes and shall have no further obligation to their holder in respect of them.

# **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The net proceeds of the issue of each Series or Tranche of Notes will be used to fund the general business and commercial activities of the Group, including the refinancing of Group borrowings, and to strengthen further its capital base.

## **DESCRIPTION OF THE GROUP**

### Overview

#### The Issuer

The Issuer is the holding company for one of the world's leading global insurance groups. The Group is the world's fifth-largest insurance group<sup>(1)</sup>. It is one of the leading<sup>(2)</sup> providers of life and pensions products in Europe and is actively growing its long-term savings businesses in Asia Pacific and the USA. Its main activities are long-term savings, fund management and general insurance.

The Group was formed by the merger of CGU plc (renamed CGNU plc on completion of the merger, and subsequently renamed Aviva plc on 1 July 2002) and Norwich Union plc on 30 May 2000. CGU plc and Norwich Union plc were both major insurers operating successfully in the long-term savings and general insurance markets, and had corporate histories of considerable duration. CGU plc was formed in 1998 from the merger of Commercial Union plc and General Accident plc. Commercial Union was established in 1861, General Accident was founded in 1885 and Norwich Union was founded in 1797.

The Issuer is incorporated and registered in England under the Companies Act 1985 as a public limited company, registered number 2468686. The issued share capital of the Issuer comprises 2,658 million 25 pence ordinary shares totaling £664 million, and 200 million irredeemable preference shares of £1 each, all of which are fully paid. This results in a total issued share capital of £864 million.

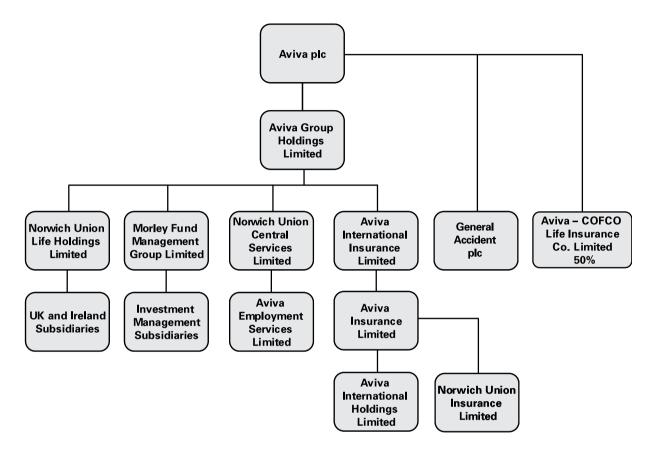
The registered office of the Issuer is St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ. The telephone number of the Issuer is +44 (0)20 7283 2000.

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on gross written premiums ("GWP") for the year ended 31 December 2007.

<sup>(2)</sup> For life and pensions products: top-five in UK, Ireland, The Netherlands, Poland and Spain; top-10 in France, Italy and Romania, based on premiums for the year ended 31 December 2007.

### Group organisational structure

The following chart shows, in simplified form, the organisational structure of the Group as at 16 September 2008. The Issuer is the holding company of the Group:



The Issuer's insurance and investment management operations are generally conducted through direct and indirect subsidiaries. As a holding company, the Issuer's principal sources of funds are dividends from subsidiaries, shareholder backed funds and any amounts that may be raised through the issuance of debt and commercial paper.

## **Group strategy**

The new leadership team at the Group has recently outlined the strategic priorities for the business going forward. These are collectively referred to as "One Aviva". The One Aviva strategies include:

- to manage the composite portfolio;
- to build global Asset Management;
- to allocate capital rigorously;
- to increase customer reach; and
- to boost productivity.

### **Business of the Group**

# Overview

The Group's activities are long-term savings, fund management and general insurance. The Group's business mix, based on worldwide sales in the six months ended 30 June 2008 was: United Kingdom: 37 per cent.; Europe: 44 per cent.; North America: 12 per cent.; and Asia Pacific: 7 per cent.

The Group had worldwide premium income and investment sales of £49.2 billion from continuing operations for the year ended 31 December 2007. The Group had approximately 57,000 employees serving 45 million customers in 27 countries worldwide as at 30 June 2008.

#### "One Aviva"

The purpose of One Aviva is to ensure that the various businesses within the composite insurer have greater clarity on responsibilities and accountabilities, and ensure that they all share the same strategic goals and objectives.

To support this vision, the Group has in place a regional structure based on four regions: UK, Europe, North America and Asia Pacific. It is intended that the regional teams will be accountable for performance across their area of business. This structure intends to improve the Group's ability to take advantage of market opportunities, improve speed of response, eliminate duplication of effort, and encourage the sharing of best practice in the interests of the Group's customers and shareholders.

The main Group operations are summarised below.

### 1. Long-term savings operations

The Group's aim is to grow this business aggressively and profitably by building strong positions in its chosen markets. The Group reported total life and pensions new business sales<sup>(3)</sup> of £31.6 billion for the year ended 31 December 2007. The long term new business contribution (before the effect of required capital) was £1.2 billion for the year to 31 December 2007.

### Market position

In the UK, the Group, operating under the Norwich Union brand, is a leading long-term savings provider. (4) The UK represented 37 per cent. of the Group's total long-term savings new business sales for the year ended 31 December 2007.

Following the acquisition of AmerUs in the United States in November 2006, the Group has become the leading insurer for both indexed life insurance and indexed annuity products in the US.

The Group is one of the leading long-term savings providers in Europe. The Group's largest European life operation is France, where the Group has a 4 per cent. local market share. There are also significant long-term savings operations in the Netherlands and Germany, through Delta Lloyd. The Group is also among the top ten largest providers in Italy, Ireland, Poland and Spain, and has operations in several countries in Eastern Europe.

The Group operates in nine countries in the Asia-Pacific region, with strong growth in the significant markets of China and India.

## **Products**

The Group's long-term savings business offers a broad range of life assurance and asset accumulation products. For individual customers, the Group offers regular premium life products such as whole life, term assurance and mortgage protection policies. The asset accumulation products on offer to individuals include, *inter alia*, life investment bonds, personal pensions, mortgage endowment products and annuities. In the group market, the products offered include corporate pensions and bulk purchase annuities.

#### Distribution

The Group's life businesses sell their long-term savings products through a number of distribution channels, including brokers and other intermediaries, bancassurance and corporate partnerships as well as direct to customers.

# 2. Fund management

The fund management business invests both shareholders' and policyholders' funds and provides investment management for institutional pension fund and local authority mandates, as well as developing and selling retail

<sup>(3)</sup> On a PVNBP (present value of new business premiums) basis i.e. present value of new regular premiums plus 100 per cent. of single premiums, calculated using assumptions consistent with those used to determine new business contribution.

<sup>(4)</sup> Based on Annual Premium Equivalent ("APE") for the year ended 31 December 2007. APE is a standard industry measure which represents new regular long-term savings premiums and 10 per cent. of new single long-term savings premiums.

investment products. Its main operations are in the UK, France, The Netherlands and Australia. The Group's fund management businesses also manage the funds of Aviva's general and life insurance operations.

An aspect of the new One Aviva agenda is to harness the knowledge from each region's investment business by bringing it under the umbrella of the global asset management operation, Aviva Investors. It is intended that this will clarify the overall investment management strategy and direction.

#### Market position

With worldwide assets under management totaling some £359 billion as at 30 June 2008, the Group is one of the largest<sup>(5)</sup> UK-based fund managers, and is a leading fund manager in Ireland (through Hibernian) and the Netherlands (through Delta Lloyd). The Group also has significant fund management businesses in France and operates as an investment platform provider in Australia and Singapore.

### Brand and products

The Group's investment management business manages investments including equities, fixed income, property, hedge fund and Socially Responsible Investments (SRI) on behalf of institutional, pension fund and retail clients. The Group also sells retail ISAs, unit trusts, open-ended investment companies (OEICs) and structured products under the Norwich Union and RBSG brands.

#### 3. General insurance and health insurance

The strategy of the Group's general insurance business is to focus primarily on personal lines (typically home, motor and travel cover) and the insurance needs of small to medium-sized enterprises in chosen markets.

General insurance and health insurance together accounted for 35 per cent. of the Group's total net earned premiums and fee and commission income for the year ended 31 December 2007. In the year ended 31 December 2007, the Group reported general and health insurance total income of £11,547 million and operating profit of £1,033 million from continuing operations. Aviva has an ongoing Group Combined Operating Ratio ("COR") target to meet or beat of 98 per cent. across the Group's general insurance businesses.

### Market position

The Group is the leading <sup>(6)</sup> general insurer in the UK and Ireland and has a top-five position in Canada. <sup>(7)</sup> The Group also has significant general insurance operations in France and The Netherlands.

In the year ended 31 December 2007, more than half of the Group's total general insurance and health insurance business was written in the UK, operating under the Norwich Union brand.

### 4. Recent material developments

# Ratings

On 30 July 2008, following the completion of their annual review, Standard & Poor's placed the financial strength rating of AA ("very strong") for the Group's UK Life business on negative outlook pending the completion of the Orphan estate reattribution. The AA- financial strength rating on the Group's other core operating entities was reaffirmed on this date with a stable outlook.

There have been no further recent material rating changes.

## Recent material business developments

### Sale of offshoring operations

On 10 July 2008 the Group announced that it has sold its offshore operations, known as Aviva Global Services to WNS. As part of this agreement, Aviva has also entered into a master services contract with WNS, who will provide offshoring services to Aviva's UK, Irish and Canadian businesses for the next eight years and four months. The cash consideration arising on disposal totalled £115 million.

<sup>(5)</sup> Based on funds under management as at 31 December 2007.

<sup>(6)</sup> Based on GWP for the year ended 31 December 2007.

<sup>(7)</sup> Based on GWP for the year ended 31 December 2007.

### Reattribution of inherited estate of CGNU and CULAC funds

On 30 July 2008 the Group announced that it intended to offer £1 billion to eligible policyholders in two of Norwich Union Life's with-profits funds in return for giving up their right to receive any possible future payouts from the funds' inherited estates. This should result in payments to these policyholders in summer 2009.

The payouts will come from the Group's shareholder funds. The internal rate of return on reattribution will be 11.5 per cent., creating a one-off embedded value profit of £225 million and a one-off IFRS profit of £390 million for shareholders, based on 30 June 2008 values and an assumed 100 per cent. take-up rate. This will enhance the Group's capital efficiency and underpin confidence in the Group's future dividend stream.

The offer will only be made following a review by the FSA, and subject to board and High Court approvals. The FSA has already carried out an initial review, and has concluded that the offer is fair and should be put to policyholders.

Aviva had already announced, in March 2008, that £2.1 billion of the inherited estate would be given to policyholders in the form of a special distribution. The combination of the offer and the special distribution means that an equivalent of around 70 per cent. of the value of the inherited estate would be released to policyholders, if all policyholders voted to accept their payout.

### Polish bancassurance joint ventures commence operations

Two bancassurance joint venture companies, established by CU Poland and its key business partner Bank Zachodni WBK, started operations on 1 August 2008.

The new units, CU-BZWBK Life Insurance Company and CU-BZWBK General Insurance Company, produce and sell insurance products to 1.4 million customers of BZ WBK, which is a member of the Allied Irish Bank group. Each partner took 50 per cent. of the equity capital in the new ventures, which is a pioneer project in Poland's expanding bancassurance market.

#### Outlook

The Group continues to develop a world-class business with strong growth potential and a global presence. The Group's results in the first half of 2008 demonstrate the strength of the diversified business model and, while further short-term uncertainty in some markets is expected, this combined with the strength of our balance sheet and prudent management decisions will ensure the Group's continued success.

### Management

# **Directors of the Issuer**

The following is a list of directors of the Issuer and their principal directorships (if any) performed outside the Group which are, or may be, significant with respect to the Issuer, as at the date of this document. The business address of each of the directors referred to below is at St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ.

	Responsibilities in relation	
Name	to the Issuer	Other significant directorships
Lord Sharman	Chairman	BG Group plc (Non-executive director)
		Reed Elsevier plc (Non-executive director)
		La Gavroche Limited (Director)
		The Liberal Democrats (Trustees) Limited
		(Director)
		Securities Institute (Honorary fellow)
		British Institute of Management (Companion)
Andrew Moss	Group chief executive	_
Philip Scott	Group finance director	Diageo plc (Non-executive director)
Mark Hodges	Chief executive, Norwich	
-	Union Life	_
Guillermo de la Dehesa	Non-executive director	Goldman Sachs Europe (International advisor) Campofrio (Director) Banco Santander (Director)
		Danco Santander (Director)

Name Nikesh Arora	Responsibilities in relation to the Issuer Non-executive director	Other significant directorships Google UK Limited (Director) Last Software Limited (Director) Google Payment Limited (Director)
Wim Dik	Non-executive director	Casema Holdings BV (Chairman of supervisory board) Unilever PLC and Unilever NV (Non-executive director) LogicaCMG (Non-executive director) TeleAtlas BV (Chairman of supervisory board)
Richard Goeltz	Non-executive director	Warnaco Group (Non-executive director) Federal Home Loan Heritage Corporation ("Freddie Mac") (Non-executive director) New Germany Fund (Non-executive director) Delta Air Lines Inc (Non-executive director) London School of Economics and Political Science (Director)
Carole Piwnica	Non-executive director	Toepfer (Non-executive director) Dairy Crest Group plc (Non-executive director) Monsanto (Member of the biotech advisory board)
Russell Walls	Non-executive director	Signet Group plc (Non-executive director) Delphic Diagnostics (Chairman) The British Red Cross (Treasurer and Trustee)
Scott Wheway	Non-executive director	_
Mary Francis	Non-executive director	Centrica plc (Non-executive director) Alliance & Leicester plc (Non-executive director) National Consumer Council ((Member of the Advisory Board) Pensions Policy Institute (Governor) St Mowden Properties plc (Non-executive director) Almeida Theatre Company (Director)

# **Conflicts of Interest**

There are no potential conflicts of interest between the duties to the Issuer of the persons listed under "Directors of the Issuer" above and their private interests or other duties.

### DESCRIPTION OF THE GUARANTOR

The Guarantor was incorporated under the name Commercial Union Assurance Company Plc as a public limited company with limited liability in England and Wales on 8 August 1885 with registered number 00021487. On 1 October 1999, the Guarantor changed its name to CGU International Insurance plc. On 1 September 2006, the Guarantor re-registered as a private limited company with limited liability in England and Wales and changed its name to Aviva International Insurance Limited.

The Guarantor is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Issuer (see the Group structure chart on page 139 for further details). The Guarantor is split into two divisions. The first is the "UK general insurance division", which manages the Guarantor's activities as a UK general insurance operating subsidiary. The second is the "Centre", which is a holding company for the Group's overseas subsidiaries and manages the Group's central funding and liquidity requirements. The Centre is responsible for managing the Group's centrally held bank accounts and investment assets. At the same time, it provides funding to its subsidiaries to support mergers and acquisitions activity and business growth. The Centre is also responsible for payment of central costs, which include shareholder dividends and external interest.

#### **Directors of the Guarantor**

The following is a list of directors of the Guarantor and their principal directorships (if any) performed outside the Group which are, or may be, significant with respect to the Guarantor, as at the date of this document.

	Responsibilities in relation	
Name	to the Guarantor	Other significant directorships
Andrew Moss	Director	_
Philip Scott	Director	Diageo plc (Non-executive director)
Mark Hodges	Director	_
Igal Mayer	Director	_
Anupam Sahay	Director	<u> </u>

The registered office of the Guarantor and the business address of each of the above is St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, London, EC3P 3DQ. The telephone number of the Guarantor is +44 (0) 7283 2000.

#### **Conflicts of Interest**

There are no potential conflicts of interest between any duties to the Guarantor of the persons listed under "Directors of the Guarantor" above and their private interests and or other duties.

#### UNITED KINGDOM TAXATION

The comments below are of a general nature and are based on the Issuer's understanding of current United Kingdom law and practice relating to certain aspects of United Kingdom taxation of interest and are subject to changes therein or thereof, possibly with retrospective effect; they deal only with the questions of whether payments of interest under the Notes and Coupons may be made without withholding or deducting for or on account of United Kingdom income tax and with reporting requirements and some additional points regarding the potential impact of residence on taxation by direct assessment and do not deal with other United Kingdom tax consequences which might arise from holding Notes or Coupons. They are not exhaustive and do not necessarily apply where the income is deemed for tax purposes to be the income of any other person. They relate only to the position of persons who are the absolute beneficial owners of their Notes and Coupons and may not apply to certain classes of persons such as dealers, persons connected with the Issuer or certain professional investors, to whom special rules may apply. Prospective Noteholders should be aware that the particular terms of issue of any series of Notes as specified in the relevant Final Terms may affect the United Kingdom tax treatment of that and any other series of Notes. These comments do not purport to constitute legal or tax advice. Any Noteholders who may be subject to tax in a jurisdiction other than the United Kingdom or are in any doubt as to their own tax position should consult their professional advisers.

- (a) To the extent that it does not comprise a premium or discount, a payment of principal, not comprising interest, in respect of any Notes will be payable without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax.
- (b) Where Notes are issued at an issue price of less than 100 per cent. of their principal amount, any payments in respect of the accrued discount will not be made subject to any withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax as long as they do not constitute payments in respect of interest. They may, however, be subject to reporting requirements as outlined in paragraph (j) below.
- (c) Where Notes are issued with a redemption premium, as opposed to being issued at a discount, then any such element of premium may constitute a payment of interest and, if so, paragraphs (d) to (i) below (as appropriate) will apply.
- (d) Interest payable on Notes which have a maturity of less than one year and are not issued under arrangements the effect of which is to render such Notes part of a borrowing with a total term of one year or more, can be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax.
- (e) Interest on the Notes (which does not fall within paragraph (d) above) may be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax provided that the Notes are listed on a "recognised stock exchange" within the meaning of section 1005 of the Income Tax Act 2007. The London Stock Exchange is a recognised stock exchange for these purposes. Securities will be treated as listed on the London Stock Exchange if they are included in the Official List by the United Kingdom Listing Authority and are admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange. Provided, therefore, that the Notes are and remain so listed, interest on the Notes will be payable without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax.
- (f) In all other cases, interest will generally be paid after deduction of income tax at the basic rate (currently 20 per cent.) subject to any direction to the contrary from H.M. Revenue & Customs in respect of such relief as may be available pursuant to the provisions of any applicable double taxation treaty or as to the availability of certain other reliefs.
- (g) If interest were paid under deduction of United Kingdom income tax (e.g. if the Notes lost their listing), Noteholders who are not resident for tax purposes in the United Kingdom might be able to recover all or part of the tax deducted if there is an appropriate provision in an applicable double taxation treaty.
- (h) Interest on the Notes generally has a United Kingdom source and accordingly should remain chargeable to United Kingdom tax by direct assessment even if the interest is paid without withholding or deduction. However, interest will not generally be assessed to United Kingdom tax by direct assessment in the hands of a holder of Notes who is not resident in the United Kingdom, except where such person, in the case of an individual, carries on a trade, profession or vocation in the United Kingdom through a United Kingdom branch or agency or, in the case of a body corporate, carries on a trade or vocation in the United Kingdom through a permanent establishment, in connection with which the interest is received or to which the Notes are attributable, in which case (subject to exemptions for interest received by certain categories of agent, such as brokers and investment managers) tax may be levied on the United Kingdom branch, agency or permanent establishment.

- (i) Noteholders should note that the provisions relating to additional amounts referred to in the "Terms and Conditions of the Senior Notes" and "Terms and Conditions of the Dated Tier 2 Notes Taxation" and "Terms and Conditions of the Undated Tier 2 Notes Taxation" and "Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes Taxation" above would not apply if H.M. Revenue & Customs sought to assess directly the person entitled to the relevant interest to United Kingdom tax. However, exemption from, or reduction of, such United Kingdom tax liability might be available under an applicable double taxation treaty.
- (j) Noteholders who are individuals may wish to note that H.M. Revenue & Customs has power to obtain information (including the name and address of the recipient or beneficial owner of the relevant payment) from any person in the United Kingdom who either pays interest to, or receives interest for the benefit of, an individual. H.M. Revenue & Customs also has power to obtain such information from any person in the United Kingdom who either pays amounts payable on the redemption of Notes which may be redeemed at a certain amount in excess of their issue price to, or receives such amounts for the benefit of, an individual. However, in relation to amounts payable on the redemption of such Notes, H.M. Revenue & Customs published practice indicates that it will not exercise its power to obtain information where such amounts are paid or received on or before 5 April 2009. Information so obtained may, in certain circumstances, be exchanged by H.M. Revenue & Customs with the tax authorities of other jurisdictions.
- (k) The European Union has adopted a Directive regarding the taxation of savings income. The Directive requires Member States to provide to the tax authorities of other Member States details of payments of interest and other similar income paid by a person to an individual or to certain other persons in another Member State, except that Austria, Belgium and Luxembourg may instead impose a withholding system for a transitional period unless during such period they elect otherwise (subject to a procedure whereby, on meeting certain conditions, the beneficial owner of the interest or other income may request that no tax be withheld).

#### SUBSCRIPTION AND SALE

# **Summary of Dealer Agreement**

Subject to the terms and on the conditions contained in a Dealer Agreement dated 27 November 2007 (the "Dealer Agreement") between the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Permanent Dealers and the Arranger, the Notes will be offered on a continuous basis by the Issuer to the Permanent Dealers. However, the Issuer has reserved the right to sell Notes directly on its own behalf to Dealers that are not Permanent Dealers. The Notes may be resold at prevailing market prices, or at prices related thereto, at the time of such resale, as determined by the relevant Dealer. The Notes may also be sold by the Issuer through the Dealers, acting as agents of the Issuer. The Dealer Agreement also provides for Notes to be issued in syndicated Tranches that are jointly and severally underwritten by two or more Dealers.

The Issuer will pay each relevant Dealer a commission as agreed between them in respect of Notes subscribed by it. The Issuer has agreed to reimburse the Arranger for certain of its expenses incurred in connection with the establishment of the Programme and the Dealers for certain of their activities in connection with the Programme. The commissions in respect of an issue of Notes on a syndicated basis will be stated in the relevant Final Terms.

The Issuer has agreed to indemnify the Dealers against certain liabilities in connection with the offer and sale of the Notes. The Dealer Agreement entitles the Dealers to terminate any agreement that they make to subscribe Notes in certain circumstances prior to payment for such Notes being made to the Issuer.

### **Selling Restrictions**

#### **United States**

The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and the Notes 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 meaning 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, as amended, and regulations thereunder.

Each Dealer has agreed that, except as permitted by the Dealer Agreement, it will not offer, sell or deliver the Notes of any identifiable Tranche, (i) as part of their distribution at any time or (ii) otherwise until 40 days after the later of the commencement of the offering and the issue date of the Notes of any identifiable tranche as determined, and certified to the Issuer, by the Issuing and Paying Agent, or in the case of Notes issued on a syndicated basis, each Dealer, within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons, and it will have sent to each dealer to which it sells 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.

In addition, until 40 days after the commencement of the offering, an offer or sale of 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.

#### 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 Prospectus 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) if the final terms in relation to the Notes specify that an offer of those Notes may be made other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in that Relevant Member State (a "Non-exempt Offer"), following the date of publication of a prospectus in relation to such Notes which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State

and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State, provided that any such prospectus has subsequently been completed by the final terms contemplating such Non-exempt Offer, in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, in the period beginning and ending on the dates specified in such prospectus or final terms, as applicable;

- (b) 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;
- (c) 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;
- (d) 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
- (e) 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 (b) to (e) above shall require 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.

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, warranted and agreed, and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent, warrant 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 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 such Notes in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

#### General

These selling restrictions may be modified by the agreement of the Issuer and the Dealers following a change in a relevant law, regulation or directive. Any such modification will be set out in the Final Terms issued in respect of the issue of Notes to which it relates or in a supplement to this Prospectus.

No action has been or will be taken in any country or any jurisdiction by the Dealers or the Issuer or the Guarantor that would permit a public offering of any of the Notes, or possession or distribution of this Prospectus or any other offering or publicity material relating to any of the Notes, in any country or jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. Each Dealer has agreed to comply (to the best of its knowledge and belief, having made reasonable enquiries) with all applicable laws and regulations and directives in each jurisdiction in which it purchases, offers, sells or delivers any of the Notes or has in its possession or distributes the Prospectus or any such

other material relating to any of the Notes, in all cases at its own expense. Each Dealer has also undertaken to ensure that no obligations are imposed on the Issuer, the Guarantor or any other Dealer in any such jurisdiction as a result of any of the foregoing actions. The Issuer, the Guarantor and the other Dealers will have no responsibility for, and each Dealer has agreed to obtain any consent, approval or permission required by it for, the acquisition, offer, sale or delivery by it of any of the Notes under the laws and regulations in force in any jurisdiction to which it is subject or in or from which it makes any acquisition, offer, sale or delivery. No Dealer has been authorised to make any representation or use any information in connection with the issue, subscription and sale of any of the Notes other than as contained or incorporated by reference in this Prospectus or any amendment or supplement to it.

### FORM OF FINAL TERMS FOR SENIOR NOTES

The form of Final Terms that will be issued in respect of each Tranche, subject only to the deletion of non-applicable provisions, is set out below:

Final Terms dated [●]

Aviva plc

Issue of [Aggregate Nominal Amount of Tranche] [Title of Notes]
under the £5,000,000,000
Euro Note Programme

#### PART A - CONTRACTUAL TERMS FOR SENIOR NOTES

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Terms and Conditions of the Senior Notes (the "Conditions") set forth in the Prospectus dated [●] [and the supplemental Prospectus 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 such Prospectus [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 Prospectus [as so supplemented]. [The Prospectus [and the supplemental Prospectus] [is] [are] available for viewing at [address] [and] [website] and copies may be obtained from [address].]

The following alternative language applies if the first tranche of an issue which is being increased was issued under a Prospectus with an earlier date.

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Terms and Conditions of the Senior Notes (the "Conditions") set forth in the Prospectus dated [original date] [as supplemented by the supplemental prospectus 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 Prospectus dated [date of current Prospectus] which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive, save in respect of the Conditions which are extracted from the [Prospectus] dated [original date] [as supplemented by the supplemental prospectus dated [•]] and are incorporated by reference into the Prospectus dated [date of current Prospectus]. 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, the Prospectus dated [date of current Prospectus] and the Prospectus dated [original date] [as so supplemented]. Copies of such Prospectuses are available for viewing at [address] [and] [website] and copies may be obtained from [address].

[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 sub-paragraphs. Italics denote guidance 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 Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.]

l.	(i)	Issuer:	Aviva plc
	(ii)	Guarantor	Aviva International Insurance Limited
2.	(i)	Series Number:	[●]
	(ii)	Tranche Number:	[●]
	that S	gible with an existing Series, details of eries, including the date on which the become fungible).	

3.	Speci	fied Currency or Currencies:	[ullet]
4.	Aggregate Nominal Amount of Notes admitted to trading:		
	(i)	Series:	<b>[●]</b>
	(ii)	Tranche:	[●]
5.	Issue Price:		[•] per cent. of the Aggregate Nominal Amount [plus accrued interest from [insert date] ( <i>if applicable</i> )]
6.	(i)	Specified Denominations:	[●] [€50,000 and integral multiples of [€1,000] in excess thereof up to and including [€99,000]. No notes in definitive form will be issued with a denomination above [€99,000]].
	(ii)	Calculation Amount (definitive Notes only):	[•] (If there is only one Specified Denomination, insert the Specified Denomination of the relevant Notes or (ii) if there is more than one Specified Denomination insert the highest common factor of those Specified Denominations).
7.	(i)	Issue Date:	[●]
	(ii)	Interest Commencement Date	[●]
8.	Matu	rity Date:	[specify date or (for Floating Rate Notes) Interest Payment Date falling in or nearest to the relevant month and year]
9.	Interest Basis:		[[●]% Fixed Rate]
			[[specify reference rate] +/-[●]% Floating Rate]
			[Zero Coupon]
			[Index Linked Interest]
			[Other (specify)]
			(further particulars specified below)
10.	Redemption/Payment Basis:		[Redemption at par]
			[Index Linked Redemption]
			[Dual Currency]
			[Partly Paid]
			[Instalment]
			[Other (specify)]
11.		ge of Interest or mption/Payment Basis:	[Specify details of any provision for convertibility of Notes into another interest or redemption/ payment basis]

12. **Put/Call Options:** [Investor Put]

[Issuer Call]

[(further particulars specified below)]

13. (i) Status of the Notes: Senior

(ii) [Date [Board] approval for  $[\bullet]$ 

issuance of Notes obtained: [(N.B. Only relevant where Board (or similar) authorisation is required for the particular

tranche of Notes)]

14. **Method of distribution:** [Syndicated/Non-syndicated]

#### PROVISIONS RELATING TO INTEREST (IF ANY) PAYABLE

15. **Fixed Rate Note Provisions:** [Applicable/Not Applicable]

(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)

(i) Rate[(s)] of Interest: [●] per cent. per annum [payable [annually/semi-

annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear]

(ii) Interest Payment Date(s): [●] in each year [adjusted in accordance with

[specify Business Day Convention and any applicable Business Centre(s) for the definition of

"Business Day"]/not adjusted]

(iii) Fixed Coupon Amount[(s)]:  $[\bullet]$  per Calculation Amount

(iv) Broken Amount(s): [•] per Calculation Amount payable on the

Interest Payment Date falling [in/on] [●]

(v) Day Count Fraction: [30/360 / Actual/Actual (ICMA/ISDA)/other]

(vi) Determination Dates: [●] in each year (insert regular interest payment

dates, ignoring issue date or maturity date in the case of a long or short first or last coupon. N.B. only relevant where Day Count Fraction is

Actual/Actual (ICMA))

(vii) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest for Fixed

Rate Notes:

[Not Applicable/give details]

16. Floating Rate Note Provisions: [Applicable/Not Applicable]

(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)

(i) Interest Period(s)  $[\bullet]$ 

(ii) Interest Payment Dates: [●]

(iii) Business Day Convention: [Floating Rate Convention/ Following Business

Day Convention/ Modified Following Business Day Convention/ Preceding Business Day

Convention/ other (give details)]

(iv) Additional Business Centre(s): [●]

[Screen Rate Determination/ISDA Determination/other (give details)]

(v) Manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined:

(vi)	Party responsible for calculating the Rate(s) of Interest and Interest Amount(s) (if not the [Agent]):	
(vii)	Screen Rate Determination:	[Offered quotation/Arithmetic mean of offered quotations]
	- Reference Rate:	[●]
	<ul><li>Interest Determination</li><li>Date(s):</li></ul>	[ <b>●</b> ]
	<ul><li>Relevant Screen Page:</li></ul>	<b>[●</b> ]
(viii)	ISDA Determination:	
	<ul><li>Floating Rate Option:</li></ul>	[●]
	<ul> <li>Designated Maturity:</li> </ul>	[●]
	- Reset Date:	[●]
(ix)	Margin(s):	[+/–][●] per cent. per annum
(x)	Minimum Rate of Interest:	[•] per cent. per annum
(xi)	Maximum Rate of Interest:	[●] per cent. per annum
(xii)	Day Count Fraction:	[●]
(xiii)	Fall back provisions, rounding provisions, denominator and any other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Floating Rate Notes, if different from those set out in the Conditions:	
Zero	Coupon Note Provisions:	[Applicable/Not Applicable] (If not applicable, delete the remaining subparagraphs of this paragraph)
(i)	Amortisation Yield:	[●] per cent. per annum
(ii)	Any other formula/basis of determining amount payable:	<b>[●</b> ]
	-Linked Interest Note/other ole-linked interest Note Provisions	[Applicable/Not Applicable]
(i)	Index/Formula/other variable:	[give or annex details]
(ii)	Party responsible for calculating the Rate(s) of Interest and/or Interest Amount(s) (if not the [Agent]):	[ <b>●</b> ]
(iii)	Interest Determination Dates:	[●]
(iv)	Provisions for determining Coupon where calculated by reference to Index and/or Formula and/or other variable:	

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(v) Provisions for determining Coupon where calculation by reference to Index and/or Formula and/or other variable is impossible or impracticable or otherwise disrupted. [include a description of market disruption or settlement disruption events and adjustment provisions if appropriate]

- (vi) Interest Accrual Period(s):
- (vii) Specified Interest Payment Dates:
- (viii) Business Day Convention:
- (ix) Business Centre(s):
- (x) Minimum Rate of Interest:
- (xi) Maximum Rate of Interest:
- (xii) Day Count Fraction:

#### 19. **Dual Currency Note Provisions**

- (i) Rate of Exchange/method of calculating Rate of Exchange:
- (ii) Party responsible for calculating the Rate(s) of Interest and/or Interest Amount(s) (if not the [Agent]):
- (iii) Provisions applicable where calculation by reference to Rate of Exchange impossible or impracticable:
- (iv) Person at whose option Specified Currency(ies) is/are payable:

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[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention/Modified Following Business Day Convention/Preceding Business Day Convention/other (give details)]

- [•] per cent. per annum
- [•] per cent. per annum

[Applicable/Not Applicable]
(If not applicable, delete the remaining paragraphs of this paragraph)

[give details]

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# PROVISIONS RELATING TO REDEMPTION

# 20. Call Option:

- (i) Optional Redemption Date(s):
- (ii) Optional Redemption Amount(s) of each Note and method, if any, of calculation of such amount(s):
- (iii) If redeemable in part:
  - (a) Minimum Redemption Amount:
  - (b) Maximum Redemption Amount:
- (iv) Notice period

[Applicable/Not Applicable]
(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)

- [•] per Calculation Amount
- [•] per Calculation Amount
- [•] per Calculation Amount

# 21. Put Option

- (i) Optional Redemption Date(s):
- (ii) Optional Redemption Amount(s) of each Note and method, if any, of calculation of such amount(s):
- (iii) Notice period

### 22. Final Redemption Amount of Each Note:

In cases where the Final Redemption Amount is Index-Linked or other variablelinked:

- (i) Index/Formula/variable:
- (ii) Party responsible for calculating the Final Redemption Amount(s) (if not the [Agent]):
- (iii) Provisions for determining the Final Redemption Amount where calculated by reference to Index and/or Formula and/or other variable:
- (iv) Determination Date(s):
- (v) Provisions for determining the Final Redemption Amount where calculated by reference to Index and/or Formula and/or other variable is impossible or impracticable or otherwise disrupted:
- (vi) Payment Date:
- (vii) Minimum Final Redemption Amount:
- (viii) Maximum Final Redemption Amount:

# 23. Early Redemption Amount

Early Redemption Amount(s) per Calculation Amount payable on redemption for taxation reasons or on event of default or other early redemption and/or the method of calculating the same (if required or if different from that set out in the Conditions): [Applicable/Not Applicable]
(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)

- [ ] per Calculation Amount
- [ per Calculation Amount

[give or annex details]

- [•] per Calculation Amount
- [•] per Calculation Amount
- [ullet]

### GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTES

24. Form of Notes:

Bearer Notes:

[Temporary Global Note exchangeable for a Permanent Global Note which is exchangeable for Definitive Notes in the limited circumstances specified in the Permanent Global Note]

[Temporary Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes on [●] days' notice]\*

[Permanent Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes in the limited circumstances specified in the Permanent Global Note]

[Registered Notes]

25. New Global Note

26. Additional Financial Centre(s) or other special provisions relating to Payment Dates:

27. Talons for future Coupons to be attached to Definitive Notes (and dates on which such Talons mature):

28. Redenomination, renominalisation and reconventioning provisions:

29. 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 (if any) of failure to pay, including any right of the Issuer to forfeit the Notes and interest due on late payment:

30. Details relating to Instalment Notes:

(i) Instalment Amount:

(ii) Instalment Date:

31. Consolidation provisions:

32. Other final terms:

[Yes][No]

[Not Applicable/give details. Note that this item relates to the date and place of payment, and not interest period end dates, to which items 15(ii), 16(iv) and 18(ix) relates]

[Yes/No. If yes, give details]

[Not Applicable/The provisions [in Condition [●]] apply]

[Not Applicable/give details]

[Not Applicable/give details]

[Not Applicable/give details]

[Not Applicable/give details]

[Not Applicable/The provisions [in Condition [●]]

apply]

[Not Applicable/give details]

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

<sup>\*</sup> If the Temporary Global Note is exchangeable for Definitive Notes at the option of the holder, the Notes shall be tradeable only in amounts of at least the Specified Denomination (or if more than one Specified Denomination, the lowest Specified Denomination) provided in paragraph 6 and multiples thereof.

#### DISTRIBUTION

33. If syndicated, names of Managers: [Not Applicable/give names]
 (i) Stabilising Manager(s) (if any): [Not Applicable/give name]
 34. If non-syndicated, name of Dealer: [Not Applicable/give name]

35. U.S. selling restrictions: [Reg. S Compliance Category; TEFRA C/TERRA

D/TEFRA not applicable]

36. Additional selling restrictions: [Not Applicable/give details]

### [PURPOSE OF FINAL TERMS

These Final Terms comprise the final terms required to list and have admitted to trading the issue of Notes described herein pursuant to the £5,000,000,000 Euro Note Programme of Aviva plc.]

### RESPONSIBILITY

The Issuer and the Guarantor accept responsibility for the information contained in these Final Terms. [ $[\bullet]$ ] has been extracted from  $[\bullet]$ . Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor confirms that such information has been accurately reproduced and that, so far as it is aware, and is able to ascertain from information published by  $[\bullet]$ , no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced inaccurate or misleading].

Signed on behalf of the Issuer:

By:	
	Duly authorised
Sign	ned on behalf of the Guarantor:
By:	
	Duly authorised

#### PART B - OTHER INFORMATION

#### 1 LISTING

[London/other (specify)/None] Listing: (i) Admission to trading: [Application has been made for the Notes to be

admitted to trading on [●] with effect from [●].]

[Not Applicable.]

(ii) Estimate of total expenses related to admission to trading:

#### RATINGS 2.

The Notes to be issued have been rated: Ratings:

[S&P: [●]]

[Moody's: [●]]

(The above disclosure should reflect the rating allocated to Notes issued pursuant to these Final Terms as this issue has been specifically rated.)

#### 3. **INOTIFICATION**

The [include name of competent authority in EEA home Member State] [has been requested to provide/has provided - include first alternative for an issue which is contemporaneous with the establishment or update of the Programme and the second alternative for subsequent issues] the [include names of competent authorities of host Member States] with a certificate of approval attesting that the Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the Prospectus Directive.]

#### 4. [INTERESTS OF NATURAL AND LEGAL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE [ISSUE/OFFER]

Need to include a description of any interest, including conflicting ones, that is material to the issue/offer, detailing the persons involved and the nature of the interest. May be satisfied by the inclusion of the following statement:

"Save as discussed in ["Subscription and Sale'], so far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the offer of the Notes has an interest material to the offer."]

#### 5. REASONS FOR THE OFFER, ESTIMATED NET PROCEEDS AND TOTAL EXPENSES

[(i) Reasons for the offer:

(See "Use of Proceeds" wording in Prospectus if reasons for offer different from making profit and/or hedging certain risks will need to include

those reasons here.)

[(ii)] Estimated net proceeds: 

> (If proceeds are intended for more than one use will need to split out and present in order of priority. If proceeds insufficient to fund all proposed uses state amount and sources of other

funding.)

[(iii)] Estimated total expenses: [•] [Include breakdown of expenses.] (Only necessary to include disclosure of net proceeds and total expenses at (ii) and (iii) above

### 6. [Fixed Rate Notes only – YIELD

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.]

# 7. [Index-Linked or other variable-linked Notes only – PERFORMANCE OF INDEX/FORMULA/OTHER VARIABLE AND OTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING THE UNDERLYING

Need to include details of where past and future performance and volatility of the index/formula/other variable can be obtained. Where the underlying is an index, need to include the name of the index and a description if composed by the Issuer, and if the index is not composed by the Issuer need to include details of where the information about the index can be obtained. Where the underlying is not an index, need to include equivalent information. Include other information concerning the underlying required by Paragraph 4.2 of Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation.]

[(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 Prospectus 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]\*.

### 8. [Dual Currency Notes only – PERFORMANCE OF RATE[S] OF EXCHANGE

Need to include details of where past and future performance and volatility of the relevant rate[s] 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 Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.)]

### 9. **OPERATIONAL INFORMATION**

ISIN Code:

[**•**]

Common Code:

Any clearing system(s) other than Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. and Clearstream Banking *société anonyme* and the relevant identification number(s):

Delivery:

Names and addresses of additional Paying Agent(s) (if any):

Intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility:

[Not Applicable/give name(s) and number(s) [and address(es)]]

Delivery [against/free of] payment

[ullet]

[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 recognized 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 the ECB being satisfied that Eurosystem eligibility criteria have been met.][include this text if "yes" selected in which case the Notes must be issued in NGN form]

#### FORM OF FINAL TERMS FOR DATED TIER 2 NOTES

The form of Final Terms that will be issued in respect of each Tranche, subject only to the deletion of non-applicable provisions, is set out below:

Final Terms dated [●]

Aviva plc

Issue of [Aggregate Nominal Amount of Tranche] [Title of Notes]

under the £5,000,000,000

Euro Note Programme

#### PART A - CONTRACTUAL TERMS FOR DATED TIER 2 NOTES

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Terms and Conditions of the Dated Tier 2 Notes (the "Conditions") set forth in the Prospectus dated [●] [and the supplemental Prospectus 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 such Prospectus [as so supplemented]. Full information on the Issuer and the offer of the Notes is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Prospectus [as so supplemented]. [The Prospectus [and the supplemental Prospectus] [is] [are] available for viewing at [address] [and] [website] and copies may be obtained from [address].]

The following alternative language applies if the first tranche of an issue which is being increased was issued under a Prospectus with an earlier date.

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Terms and Conditions of the Dated Tier 2 Notes (the "Conditions") set forth in the Prospectus dated [original date] [as supplemented by the supplemental Prospectus 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 Prospectus dated [date of current Prospectus] which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive, save in respect of the Conditions which are extracted from the [Prospectus] dated [original date] [as supplemented by the supplemental prospectus dated [●]] and are incorporated by reference into the Prospectus dated [date of current Prospectus]. 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, the Prospectus dated [date of current Prospectus] and the Prospectus dated [original date] [as so supplemented]. Copies of such Prospectuses are available for viewing at [address] [and] [website] and copies may be obtained from [address].

[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 sub-paragraphs. Italics denote guidance 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 Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.]

1. Issuer:

2 (i) Series Number:

(ii) Tranche Number:

(If fungible with an existing Series, details of that Series, including the date on which the Notes become fungible).

3. **Specified Currency or Currencies:** 

4. Aggregate Nominal Amount of Notes admitted to trading:

(i) Series:

(ii) Tranche:

5. Issue Price:

6. (i) Specified Denominations:

(ii) Calculation Amount (definitive Notes only):

7. (i) Issue Date:

(ii) Interest Commencement Date

8. Maturity Date:

9. **Interest Basis:** 

Aviva plc

[●] per cent. of the Aggregate Nominal Amount [plus accrued interest from [insert date] (if applicable)]

[●] [€50,000 and integral multiples of [€1,000] in excess thereof up to and including [€99,000]. No notes in definitive form will be issued with a denomination above [€99,000]].

[•] (If there is only one Specified Denomination, insert the Specified Denomination of the relevant Notes or (ii) if there is more than one Specified Denomination insert the highest common factor of those Specified Denominations).

[ullet]

[specify date or (for Floating Rate Notes) Interest Payment Date falling in or nearest to the relevant month and year.]

[[•]% Fixed Rate]

[[specify reference rate] +/–  $[\bullet]$ % Floating Rate]

[Other (specify)]

(further particulars specified below)

10. **Redemption/Payment Basis:** [Redemption at par]

[Other (specify)]

11. Change of Interest or [Specify details of any provision for convertibility **Redemption/Payment Basis:** 

of Notes into another interest or redemption/

payment basis]

12. **Put/Call Options:** [Investor Put]

[Issuer Call]

[(further particulars specified below)]

13. (i) Status of the Notes: Dated Tier 2 [Option A/B] Notes

(ii) [Date [Board] approval for issuance of Notes obtained: (N.B Only relevant where Board (or similar) authorisation is required for the particular

tranche of Notes)]

14. Method of distribution: [Syndicated/Non-syndicated]

# PROVISIONS RELATING TO INTEREST (IF ANY) PAYABLE

15. **Fixed Rate Note Provisions:** [Applicable/Not Applicable]

> (If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)

(i) Rate[(s)] of Interest: oper cent. per annum [payable [annually/semi-

annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear]

(ii) Interest Payment Date(s): [ ] in each year [adjusted in accordance with

> [specify Business Day Convention and any applicable Business Centre(s) for the definition of

"Business Day"]/not adjusted]

(iii) Fixed Coupon Amount[(s)]: [ per Calculation Amount

(iv) Broken Amount(s): [•] per Calculation Amount payable on the

Interest Payment Date falling [in/on] [●]

(v) Day Count Fraction: [30/360 / Actual/Actual (ICMA/ISDA)/other]

(vi) **Determination Dates:** [•] in each year (insert regular interest payment

> dates, ignoring issue date or maturity date in the case of a long or short first or last coupon. N.B. only relevant where Day Count Fraction is

Actual/Actual (ICMA))

(vii) Other terms relating to the method

of calculating interest for Fixed

Rate Notes:

[Not Applicable/give details]

# 16. Floating Rate Note Provisions:

[Applicable/Not Applicable]

(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)

(i) Interest Period(s)

- [**•**]
- (ii) Interest Payment Dates:

[Floating Rate Convention/ Following Business Day Convention/ Modified Following Business Day Convention/ Preceding Business Day Convention/ other (give details)]

(iii) Business Day Convention:

(iv) Additional Business Centre(s):

[Screen Rate Determination/ISDA Determination/other (give details)]

(v) Manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined:

(vi) Party responsible for calculating the Rate(s) of Interest and Interest Amount(s) (if not the [Agent]):

[Offered quotation/Arithmetic mean of offered quotations]

- (vii) Screen Rate Determination:

- Reference Rate:

- Relevant Screen Page:

- Interest Determination Date(s):

(viii) ISDA Determination:

- [ullet]
- Floating Rate Option:

Designated Maturity:Reset Date:

[●]

(ix) Margin(s):

(xii)

- [+/ −][•] per cent. per annum
- (x) Minimum Rate of Interest:
- [●] per cent. per annum
- (xi) Maximum Rate of Interest:

Day Count Fraction:

- [•] per cent. per annum
- xiii) Fall back provisions, rounding provisions, denominator and any other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Floating Rate Notes, if different from those
- [ullet]

set out in the Conditions:

#### PROVISIONS RELATING TO REDEMPTION

17. **Right to Extend Maturity Date:** [Applicable/Not Applicable] [The Extended Maturity Date is [●].]

18. **Call Option:** [Applicable/Not Applicable]

(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)

(i) Optional Redemption Date(s): [●]

of calculation of such amount(s):

(ii) Optional Redemption Amount(s) [●] per Calculation Amount of each Note and method, if any,

(iii) If redeemable in part:

(a) Minimum [●] per Calculation Amount Redemption Amount:

(b) Maximum [●] per Calculation Amount Redemption Amount:

(iv) Notice period [●]

19. Capital Disqualification Call: [Applicable/Not Applicable]

20. Final Redemption Amount of each Note: [●] per Calculation Amount

21. Capital Disqualification Redemption [●] per Calculation Amount Price:

22. **Unmatured Coupons to become void** [Yes/No/Not Applicable] **upon Early Redemption:** 

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTES

# 23. Form of Notes: Bearer Notes:

[Temporary Global Note exchangeable for a Permanent Global Note which is exchangeable for Definitive Notes in the limited circumstances specified in the Permanent Global Note]

[Temporary Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes on [●] days' notice]\*

[Permanent Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes in the limited circumstances specified in the Permanent Global Note]

[Registered Notes]

<sup>\*</sup> If the Temporary Global Note is exchangeable for Definitive Notes at the option of the holder, the Notes shall be tradeable only in amounts of at least the Specified Denomination (or if more than one Specified Denomination, the lowest Specified Denomination) provided in paragraph 6 and multiples thereof.

24. Additional Financial Centre(s) or other [Not Applicable/give details. Note that this item special provisions relating to Payment relates to the date and place of payment, and not Dates: interest period end dates, to which items 15(ii), *16(iv) and 18(ix) relates*] 25. Talons for future Coupons to be attached [Yes/No. If yes, give details] to Definitive Notes (and dates on which such Talons mature): Redenomination, renominalisation and [Not Applicable/The provisions [in Condition [●]] 26. reconventioning provisions: apply] 27. **Consolidation provisions:** [Not Applicable/The provisions [in Condition [●]] 28. Other final terms: [Not Applicable/give details] (When adding any other final terms consideration should be given as to whether such terms constitute a "significant new factor" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.) DISTRIBUTION 29. If syndicated, names of **(i)** [Not Applicable/give names] **Managers:** (ii) Stabilising Manager(s) (if any): [Not Applicable/give name] 30. If non-syndicated, name of Dealer: [Not Applicable/give name] 31. U.S. selling restrictions [Reg. S Compliance Category; TEFRA C/TEFRA D/TEFRA Not Applicable] 32. Additional selling restrictions: [Not Applicable/give details] PURPOSE OF FINAL TERMS These Final Terms comprise the final terms required to list and have admitted to trading the issue of Notes described herein pursuant to the £5,000,000,000 Euro Note Programme of Aviva plc.] RESPONSIBILITY [•]. The Issuer confirms that such information has been accurately reproduced and that, so far as it is aware, and is able to ascertain from information published by [•], no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced inaccurate or misleading]. Signed on behalf of the Issuer:

By: .....

Duly authorised

#### PART B - OTHER INFORMATION

#### 1. LISTING

(i) Listing: [London/other (specify)/None]

(ii) Admission to trading: [Application has been made for the Notes to be

admitted to trading on  $[\bullet]$  with effect from  $[\bullet]$ .]

[Not Applicable.]

(iii) Estimate of total expenses related

to admission to trading:

[ullet]

#### 2. RATINGS

Ratings: The Notes to be issued have been rated:

[S&P: [●]]

[Moody's: [●]]

(The above disclosure should reflect the rating allocated to Notes issued pursuant to these Final Terms as this issue has been specifically rated.)

#### 3. ESTIMATED NET PROCEEDS:

[•]

#### 4. **[NOTIFICATION**

The [include name of competent authority in EEA home Member State] [has been requested to provide/has provided – include first alternative for an issue which is contemporaneous with the establishment or update of the Programme and the second alternative for subsequent issues] the [include names of competent authorities of host Member States] with a certificate of approval attesting that the Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the Prospectus Directive.]

# 5. [INTERESTS OF NATURAL AND LEGAL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE [ISSUE/OFFER]

Need to include a description of any interest, including conflicting ones, that is material to the issue/offer, detailing the persons involved and the nature of the interest. May be satisfied by the inclusion of the following statement:

"Save as discussed in ["Subscription and Sale"], so far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the offer of the Notes has an interest material to the offer."]

#### 6. [Fixed Rate Notes only – YIELD

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. ]

# 7. **OPERATIONAL INFORMATION**

ISIN Code: [●]

Common Code: [

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) [and address(es)]]

Delivery:

Delivery [against/free of] payment

Names and addresses of additional Paying Agent(s) (if any):

[ullet]

#### FORM OF FINAL TERMS FOR UNDATED TIER 2 NOTES

The form of Final Terms that will be issued in respect of each Tranche, subject only to the deletion of non-applicable provisions, is set out below:

Final Terms dated [●]

Aviva plc

Issue of [Aggregate Nominal Amount of Tranche] [Title of Notes]
under the £5,000,000,000
Euro Note Programme

#### PART A – CONTRACTUAL TERMS FOR UNDATED TIER 2 NOTES

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Terms and Conditions of the Undated Tier 2 Notes (the "Conditions") set forth in the Prospectus dated [●] [and the supplemental Prospectus 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 such Prospectus [as so supplemented]. Full information on the Issuer and the offer of the Notes is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Prospectus [as so supplemented]. [The Prospectus [and the supplemental Prospectus] [is] [are] available for viewing at [address] [and] [website] and copies may be obtained from [address].]

The following alternative language applies if the first tranche of an issue which is being increased was issued under a Prospectus with an earlier date.

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Terms and Conditions of the Undated Tier 2 Notes (the "Conditions") set forth in the Prospectus dated [original date] [as supplemented by the supplemental prospectus 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 Prospectus dated [date of current Prospectus] which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive, save in respect of the Conditions which are extracted from the [Prospectus] dated [original date] [as supplemented by the supplemental prospectus dated [●]] and are incorporated by reference into the Prospectus dated [date of current Prospectus]. 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, the Prospectus dated [date of current Prospectus] and the Prospectus dated [original date] [as so supplemented]. Copies of such Prospectuses are available for viewing at [address] [and] [website] and copies may be obtained from [address].

[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 sub-paragraphs. Italics denote guidance 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 Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.]

1.	Issue	r:	Aviva plc
2.	(i)	Series Number:	<b>[●</b> ]
	(ii)	Tranche Number:	[ullet]
	of the	ngible with an existing Series, details at Series, including the date on which total become fungible).	
3.	Speci	ified Currency or Currencies:	[•]

4.	Aggregate Nominal Amount of Notes admitted to trading:			
	(i)	Series:	[●]	
	(ii)	Tranche:	[●]	
5.	Issue	Price:	[•] per cent. of the Aggregate Nominal Amount [plus accrued interest from [insert date] (if applicable)]	
6.	(i)	Specified Denominations:	[●] [€50,000 and integral multiples of [€1,000] in excess thereof up to and including [€99,000]. No notes in definitive form will be issued with a denomination above [€99,000]].	
7	(ii)	Calculation Amount (definitive Notes only):	[•] (If there is only one Specified Denomination, insert the Specified Denomination of the relevant Notes or (ii) if there is more than one Specified Denomination insert the highest common factor of those Specified Denominations).	
7.	(i)	Issue Date:	[ <b>•</b> ]	
0	(ii)	Interest Commencement Date		
8.	Inter	est Basis:	[[●]% Fixed Rate]	
			[[specify reference rate] +/− [•]% Floating Rate]	
			[Other (specify)]	
			(further particulars specified below)	
9.	Chan	ge of Interest Basis:	[Specify details of any provision for convertibility of Notes into another interest or redemption/payment basis]	
10.	Put/Call Options:		[Investor Put]	
			[Issuer Call]	
			[(further particulars specified below)]	
11.	(i)	Status of the Notes	Undated Tier 2 [Option A/B]	
	(ii)	[Date [Board] approval for issuance of Notes obtained:	[●]	
			(N.B Only relevant where Board (or similar) authorisation is required for the particular tranche of Notes)]	
12.	Meth	od of distribution:	[Syndicated/Non-syndicated]	

# PROVISIONS RELATING TO INTEREST (IF ANY) PAYABLE

13.	Fixed	Rate Note Provisions:	[Applicable/Not Applicable]	
			(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)	
	(i)	Rate[(s)] of Interest:	[•] per cent. per annum [payable [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear]	
	(ii)	Interest Payment Date(s):	[•] in each year [adjusted in accordance with [specify Business Day Convention and any applicable Business Centre(s) for the definition of "Business Day"]/not adjusted]	
	(iii)	Fixed Coupon Amount[(s)]:	[●] per Calculation Amount	
	(iv)	Broken Amount(s):	[●] per Calculation Amount payable on the Interest Payment Date falling [in/on] [●]	
	(v)	Day Count Fraction:	[30/360 / Actual/Actual (ICMA/ISDA)/other]	
	(vi)	Determination Dates:	[•] in each year (insert regular interest payment dates, ignoring issue date or maturity date in the case of a long or short first or last coupon. N.B. only relevant where Day Count Fraction is Actual/Actual (ICMA))	
	(vii)	Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest for Fixed Rate Notes:	[Not Applicable/give details]	
14.	Floating Rate Note Provisions:		[Applicable/Not Applicable]	
			(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)	
	(i)	Interest Period(s)	[●]	
	(ii)	Interest Payment Dates:	[ <b>●</b> ]	
	(iii)	Business Day Convention:	[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention/Modified Following Business Day Convention/Preceding Business Day Convention/other (give details)]	
	(iv)	Additional Business Centre(s):	[●]	
	(v)	Manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined:	[Screen Rate Determination/ISDA Determination/other (give details)]	
		interest is/are to be determined.	73	
	(vi)	Party responsible for calculating the Rate(s) of Interest and Interest Amount(s) (if not the [Agent]):	[•]	
	(vi)	Party responsible for calculating the Rate(s) of Interest and Interest		
		Party responsible for calculating the Rate(s) of Interest and Interest Amount(s) (if not the [Agent]):	[●] [Offered quotation/Arithmetic mean of offered	
		Party responsible for calculating the Rate(s) of Interest and Interest Amount(s) (if not the [Agent]):  Screen Rate Determination:	[•] [Offered quotation/Arithmetic mean of offered quotations]	

(viii) ISDA Determination: - Floating Rate Option: Designated Maturity: – Reset Date: (ix) Margin(s): [+/-][●] per cent. per annum (x) Minimum Rate of Interest: [ per cent. per annum (xi) Maximum Rate of Interest: [ per cent. per annum (xii) Day Count Fraction: Fall back provisions, rounding (xiii) 

provisions, denominator and any other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Floating Rate Notes, if different from those set out in the Conditions:

#### PROVISIONS RELATING TO REDEMPTION

#### 15. Call Option:

[Applicable/Not Applicable]
(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)

(i) Optional Redemption Date(s):

**[** 

- (ii) Optional Redemption Amount(s) of each Note and method, if any, of calculation of such amount(s):
- [•] per Calculation Amount

- (iii) If redeemable in part:
  - (a) Minimum Redemption Amount:
  - (b) Maximum Redemption Amount:
- (iv) Notice period

- [•] per Calculation Amount
- [•] per Calculation Amount

- 16. Capital Disqualification Call:
- 17. Capital Disqualification Redemption Price:

[Applicable/Not Applicable]

[ ] per Calculation Amount

### GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTES

### 18. Form of Notes:

### **Bearer Notes:**

[Temporary Global Note exchangeable for a Permanent Global Note which is exchangeable for Definitive Notes in the limited circumstances specified in the Permanent Global Note]

[Temporary Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes on [●] days' notice]\*

[Permanent Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes in the limited circumstances specified in the Permanent Global Note]

[Registered Notes]

<sup>\*</sup> If the Temporary Global Note is exchangeable for Definitive Notes at the option of the holder, the Notes shall be tradeable only in amounts of at least the Specified Denomination (or if more than one Specified Denomination, the lowest Specified Denomination) provided in paragraph 6 and multiples thereof.

19. Additional Financial Centre(s) or other special provisions relating to Payment Dates:

[Not Applicable/give details. Note that this item relates to the date and place of payment, and not interest period end dates, to which items 15(ii), 16(iv) and 18(ix) relates]

20. Talons for future Coupons to be attached to Definitive Notes (and dates on which such Talons mature):

[Yes/No. If yes, give details]

21. Redenomination, renominalisation and reconventioning provisions:

[Not Applicable/The provisions [in Condition [●]] apply]

22. Consolidation provisions:

[Not Applicable/The provisions [in Condition [●]] apply]

23. Other final terms:

[Not Applicable/give details]

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

#### DISTRIBUTION

24. (i) If syndicated, names of Managers:

[Not Applicable/give names]

(ii) Stabilising Manager(s) (if any):

[Not Applicable/give name]

25. If non-syndicated, name of Dealer:

[Not Applicable/give name]

26. U.S. selling restrictions

[Reg. S Compliance Category; TEFRA C/TEFRA

D/TEFRA Not Applicable]

27. Additional selling restrictions:

[Not Applicable/give details]

# PURPOSE OF FINAL TERMS

These Final Terms comprise the final terms required to list and have admitted to trading the issue of Notes described herein pursuant to the £5,000,000,000 Euro Note Programme of Aviva plc.]

#### RESPONSIBILITY

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in these Final Terms. [ $\bullet$ ] has been extracted from [ $\bullet$ ]. The Issuer confirms that such information has been accurately reproduced and that, so far as it is aware, and is able to ascertain from information published by [ $\bullet$ ], no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced inaccurate or misleading].

Ву:	
	Duly authorised

Signed on behalf of the Issuer:

#### PART B - OTHER INFORMATION

#### 1. LISTING

(i) Listing: [London/other (specify)/None]

(ii) Admission to trading: [Application has been made for the Notes to be

admitted to trading on [●] with effect from [●].]

[Not Applicable.]

(iii) Estimate of total expenses related

to admission to trading:

[ullet]

2. RATINGS

Ratings: The Notes to be issued have been rated:

[S&P: [●]] [Moody's: [●]]

(The above disclosure should reflect the rating allocated to Notes issued pursaunt to these Final Terms as this issue has been specifically rated.)

3. ESTIMATED NET PROCEEDS: [•]

#### 4. [NOTIFICATION

The [include name of competent authority in EEA home Member State] [has been requested to provide/has provided – include first alternative for an issue which is contemporaneous with the establishment or update of the Programme and the second alternative for subsequent issues] the [include names of competent authorities of host Member States] with a certificate of approval attesting that the Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the Prospectus Directive.]

### 5. [INTERESTS OF NATURAL AND LEGAL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE [ISSUE/OFFER]

Need to include a description of any interest, including conflicting ones, that is material to the issue/offer, detailing the persons involved and the nature of the interest. May be satisfied by the inclusion of the following statement:

"Save as discussed in ["Subscription and Sale"], so far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the offer of the Notes has an interest material to the offer."]

#### 6. [Fixed Rate Notes only – YIELD

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.]

7. OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

ISIN Code: [●]

Common Code: [●]

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) [and address(es)]]

Delivery: Delivery [against/free of] payment

Names and addresses of additional Paying [●]
Agent(s) (if any):

#### FORM OF FINAL TERMS FOR TIER 1 NOTES

The form of Final Terms that will be issued in respect of each Tranche, subject only to the deletion of non-applicable provisions, is set out below:

Final Terms dated [●]

Aviva plc

Issue of [Aggregate Nominal Amount of Tranche] [Title of Notes] under the £5,000,000,000

Euro Note Programme

#### PART A – CONTRACTUAL TERMS FOR DATED TIER 1 NOTES

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes (the "Conditions") set forth in the Prospectus dated [●] [and the supplemental Prospectus 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 such Prospectus [as so supplemented]. Full information on the Issuer and the offer of the Notes is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Prospectus [as so supplemented]. [The Prospectus [and the supplemental Prospectus] [is] [are] available for viewing at [address] [and] [website] and copies may be obtained from [address].

The following alternative language applies if the first tranche of an issue which is being increased was issued under a Prospectus with an earlier date.

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Terms and Conditions of the Tier 1 Notes (the "Conditions") set forth in the Prospectus dated [original date] [as supplemented by the supplemental prospectus 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 Prospectus dated [date of current Prospectus] which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive, save in respect of the Conditions which are extracted from the [Prospectus] dated [original date] [as supplemented by the supplemental prospectus dated [●]] and are incorporated by reference into the Prospectus dated [date of current Prospectus]. 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, the Prospectus dated [date of current Prospectus] and the Prospectus dated [original date] [as so supplemented]. Copies of such Prospectuses are available for viewing at [address] [and] [website] and copies may be obtained from [address].

[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 sub-paragraphs. Italics denote guidance 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 Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.]

1.	Issuer:	Aviva pic
2.	(i) Series Number:	[•
	(ii) Tranche Number:	<b>[●</b> ]
	(If fungible with an existing Series, details of that Series, including the date on which the Notes become fungible).	
3.	Specified Currency or Currencies and Specified Currency Unit:	[•]
4.	Aggregate Nominal Amount of Notes admitted to trading:	[•]
	(i) Series	[•]

(ii) Tranche: 5. **Issue Price:** [ ] per cent. of the Aggregate Nominal Amount [plus accrued interest from [insert date] ( if applicable)]  $[\bullet]$  [€50,000 and integral multiples of [€1,000] in 6. (i) Specified Denominations: excess thereof up to and including [€99,000]. No notes in definitive form will be issued with a denomination above [€99,000]]. (ii) Calculation Amount (definitive [•] (If there is only one Specified Denomination, Notes only): insert the Specified Denomination of the relevant Notes or (ii) if there is more than one Specified Denomination insert the highest common factor of those Specified Denominations). 7. (i) Issue Date: Interest Commencement Date (ii) 8. **Interest Basis:** [[•]% Fixed Rate] [[specify reference rate] +/− [•]% Floating Rate] [Other (specify)] (further particulars specified below) 9. **Change of Interest Basis:** [Specify details of any provision for convertibility of Notes into another interest or redemption/ payment basis] 10. **Put/Call Options:** [Investor Put] [Issuer Call] [(further particulars specified below)] 11. Status of the Notes: (i) Tier 1 [Option A/B] (ii) [Date [Board] approval for issuance of Notes obtained: (N.B Only relevant where Board (or similar) authorisation is required for the particular tranche of Notes)] 12. Method of distribution: [Syndicated/Non-syndicated] PROVISIONS RELATING TO INTEREST (IF ANY) PAYABLE [Applicable/Not Applicable] 13. **Fixed Rate Note Provisions:** (If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph) (i) Rate[(s)] of Interest: [•] per cent. per annum [payable [annually/semiannually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear] (ii) Interest Payment Date(s): [ ] in each year [adjusted in accordance with [specify Business Day Convention and any applicable Business Centre(s) for the definition of "Business Day"]/not adjusted (iii) Fixed Coupon Amount[(s)]: [•] per Calculation Amount

(iv)	Broken Amount(s):	[●] per Calculation Amount payable on the Interest Payment Date falling [in/on] [●]
(v)	Day Count Fraction:	[30/360 / Actual/Actual (ICMA/ISDA)/other]
(vi)	Determination Dates:	[•] in each year (insert regular interest payment dates, ignoring issue date or maturity date in the case of a long or short first or last coupon. N.B. only relevant where Day Count Fraction is Actual/Actual (ICMA))
(vii)	Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest for Fixed Rate Notes:	[Not Applicable/give details]
Floati	ng Rate Note Provisions:	[Applicable/Not Applicable]
		(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)
(i)	Interest Period(s)	[●]
(ii)	Interest Payment Dates:	[●]
(iii)	Business Day Convention:	[Floating Rate Convention/ Following Business Day Convention/ Modified Following Business Day Convention/ Preceding Business Day Convention/ other ( <i>give details</i> )]
(iv)	Additional Business Centre(s):	[●]
(v)	Manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined:	[Screen Rate Determination/ISDA Determination/other (give details)]
(vi)	Party responsible for calculating the Rate(s) of Interest and Interest Amount(s) (if not the [Agent]):	[●]
(vii)	Screen Rate Determination:	[Offered quotation/Arithmetic mean of offered quotations]
	- Reference Rate:	[●]
	- Interest Determination Date(s):	[●]
	- Relevant Screen Page:	[●]
(viii)	ISDA Determination:	
	- Floating Rate Option:	[●]
	- Designated Maturity:	[●]
	– Reset Date:	[●]
(ix)	Margin(s):	[+/−][●] per cent per annum
(x)	Minimum Rate of Interest:	[●] per cent per annum
(xi)	Maximum Rate of Interest:	[●] per cent per annum
(xii)	Day Count Fraction:	[ <b>●</b> ]

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(xiii) Fall back provisions, rounding provisions, denominator and any other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Floating Rate Notes, if different from those set out in the Conditions:

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#### PROVISIONS RELATING TO REDEMPTION

# 15. Call Option:

[Applicable/Not Applicable]

(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)

- (i) Optional Redemption Date(s):
- (ii) Optional Redemption Amount(s) of each Note and method, if any, of calculation of such amount(s):
- [•] per Calculation Amount

- (iii) If redeemable in part:
  - (a) Minimum Redemption Amount:
  - (b) Maximum Redemption Amount
- [•] per Calculation Amount
- [•] per Calculation Amount

(iv) Notice period:

[ullet]

- 16. Capital Disqualification Call:
- 17. Capital Disqualification Redemption Price:

- [Applicable/Not Applicable]
- on [●] per Calculation Amount
- 18. Suspension Redemption Price:

- [•] per Calculation Amount
- 19. **Substitution Preference Share Early Redemption Date:**
- [ullet]
- 20. Substitution Preference Shares dividend Step-up:
- [Yes/No]
- 21 Replacement Capital Covenant:

[Yes/No]

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTES

# 22. Form of Notes:

# **Bearer Notes:**

[Temporary Global Note exchangeable for a Permanent Global Note which is exchangeable for Definitive Notes in the limited circumstances specified in the Permanent Global Note]
[Temporary Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes on [●] days' notice]\*

[Permanent Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes in the limited circumstances specified in the Permanent Global Note]

[Registered Notes]

<sup>\*</sup> If the Temporary Global Note is exchangeable for Definitive Notes at the option of the holder, the Notes shall be tradeable only in amounts of at least the Specified Denomination (or if more than one Specified Denomination, the lowest Specified Denomination) provided in paragraph 6 and multiples thereof.

23. Additional Financial Centre(s) or other [Not Applicable/give details. Note that this item special provisions relating to Payment relates to the date and place of payment, and not Dates: interest period end dates, to which items 15(ii), *16(iv) and 18(ix) relates*] 24. Talons for future Coupons to be attached [Yes/No. If yes, give details] to Definitive Notes (and dates on which such Talons mature): 25. [Not Applicable/The provisions [in Condition [●]] Redenomination, renominalisation and reconventioning provisions: apply] 26. **Consolidation provisions:** [Not Applicable/The provisions [in Condition [●]] 27. Other final terms: [Not Applicable/give details] (When adding any other final terms consideration should be given as to whether such terms constitute a "significant new factor" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.) 28. AISM Calculation Agent (if any) appointed [Not Applicable/give details] on date of issue: DISTRIBUTION 29. (i) If syndicated, names of [Not Applicable/give names] **Managers:** (ii) **Stabilising Manager(s) (if any):** [Not Applicable/give name] 30. If non-syndicated, name of Dealer: [Not Applicable/give name] 31. **U.S. Selling Restrictions:** [Reg. S Compliance Category; TEFRA C/TEFRA D/TEFRA Not Applicable] 32. Additional selling restrictions: [Not Applicable/give details] PURPOSE OF FINAL TERMS These Final Terms comprise the final terms required to list and have admitted to trading the issue of Notes described herein pursuant to the £5,000,000,000 Euro Note Programme of Aviva plc.] RESPONSIBILITY [•]. The Issuer confirms that such information has been accurately reproduced and that, so far as it is aware, and is able to ascertain from information published by [•], no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced inaccurate or misleading]. Signed on behalf of the Issuer: By: .....

Duly authorised

#### PART B - OTHER INFORMATION

#### 1. LISTING

[London/other (specify)/None] (i) Listing:

[Application has been made for the Notes to be (ii) Admission to trading:

admitted to trading on [●] with effect from [●].]

[Not applicable.]

(iii) Estimate of total expenses related

to admission to trading:

#### RATINGS 2.

Ratings: The Notes to be issued have been rated:

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[Moody's: [●]]

(The above disclosure should reflect the rating allocated to Notes issued pursuant to these Final Terms as this issue has been specifically rated.)

#### 3. **ESTIMATED NET PROCEEDS:**

#### 4. **INOTIFICATION**

The [include name of competent authority in EEA home Member State] [has been requested to provide/has provided - include first alternative for an issue which is contemporaneous with the establishment or update of the Programme and the second alternative for subsequent issues] the [include names of competent authorities of host Member States with a certificate of approval attesting that the Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the Prospectus Directive.]

#### [INTERESTS OF NATURAL AND LEGAL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE [ISSUE/OFFER] 5.

Need to include a description of any interest, including conflicting ones, that is material to the issue/offer, detailing the persons involved and the nature of the interest. May be satisfied by the inclusion of the following statement:

"Save as discussed in ["Subscription and Sale"], so far as the issuer is aware, no person involved in the offer of the notes has an interest material to the offer."]

#### 6. [Fixed Rate Notes only - YIELD

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. ]

#### 7. **OPERATIONAL INFORMATION**

ISIN Code: 

Common Code:

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) [ and address(es)]]

Delivery:

Delivery [against/free of] payment

Names and addresses of additional Paying

Agent(s) (if any):

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- (1) The listing of the Notes on the Official List will be expressed as a percentage of their nominal amount (exclusive of accrued interest). It is expected that each Tranche of Notes which is to be admitted to listing on the Official List and to trading on the Market will be admitted separately as and when issued, subject only to the issue of a Global Note or Notes initially representing the Notes of such Tranche. The acceptance of the Programme on the Official List in respect of Notes issued under the Programme for a period of 12 months from the date of this Prospectus is expected to be granted on or around 17 September 2008. Prior to official listing and admission to trading, however, dealings will be permitted by the London Stock Exchange in accordance with its rules. Transactions on the London Stock Exchange will normally be effected for delivery on the third working day after the day of the transaction. However, unlisted Notes may be issued pursuant to the Programme.
- (2) Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor has obtained all necessary consents, approvals and authorisations in the United Kingdom in connection with the establishment of the Programme. The establishment of the Programme was authorised by a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Issuer passed on 9 November 2005 and the update of the Programme was authorised by a resolution of a committee of the Board of Directors of the Issuer passed on 9 September 2008, such committee of the Board of Directors, having been constituted in accordance with a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Issuer held on 7 November 2007. The giving of the Guarantee was authorised by a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Guarantor passed on 15 September 2008.
- (3) There has been no significant change in the financial or trading position of the Issuer or of the Group since 30 June 2008, being the end of the last financial period for which interim financial information has been published, and no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of the Issuer or of the Group since 31 December 2007, being the date to which the last published audited financial statements of the Issuer were made up.
- (4) There has been no significant change in the financial or trading position of the Guarantor since 31 December 2007, being the date to which the last published audited financial statements of the Guarantor were made up, and no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of the Guarantor since 31 December 2007.
- (5) None of the Issuer, the Guarantor nor any member of the Group is or has been involved in any governmental, legal or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Issuer or the Guarantor is aware) during the 12 months preceding the date of this Prospectus which may have or have had in the recent past significant effects on the financial position or profitability of the Issuer, the Guarantor, or the Group.
- (6) Each Bearer Note having a maturity of more than one year, Coupon and Talon will bear the following legend: "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".
- (7) Notes have been accepted for clearance through the Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg systems. The Common Code, the International Securities Identification Number (ISIN) and (where applicable) the identification number for any other relevant clearing system for each Series of Notes will be set out in the applicable Final Terms. The address of Euroclear is 1 Boulevard du Roi Albert II, B-1210 Brussels, Belgium and the address of Clearstream, Luxembourg is 42 Avenue JF Kennedy L-1855 Luxembourg. The address of any alternative clearing system will be specified in the applicable Final Terms.
- (8) The issue price and the amount of the relevant Notes will be determined, before filing of the relevant Final Terms of each Tranche, based on then prevailing market conditions. The Issuers do not intend to provide any post-issuance information in relation to any issues of Notes.
- (9) For so long as Notes may be issued pursuant to this Prospectus, the following documents will be available, during usual business hours on any weekday (Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays excepted), for inspection at the specified office of each of the Paying Agents:
  - (i) the Trust Deed (which includes the form of the Global Notes, the definitive Bearer Notes, the Certificates, the Coupons and the Talons);
  - (ii) the Dealer Agreement;
  - (iii) the Agency Agreement;

- (iv) the Issuer/ICSD Agreement dated 27 November 2007 in respect of the Programme;
- (v) any AISM Calculation Agency Agreement;
- (vi) the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer and the Guarantor;
- (vii) the published Annual Report and Accounts of the Issuer in respect of each of the financial years ended 31 December 2006 and 31 December 2007 and the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of the Issuer in respect of the six months ended 30 June 2008;
- (viii) the published Annual Report and Accounts of the Guarantor in respect of each of the financial years ended 31 December 2006 and 31 December 2007;
- (ix) each set of Final Terms for Notes that are listed on the Official List and admitted to trading on the Market or any other stock exchange;
- (x) a copy of this Prospectus together with any Supplement to this Prospectus or further Prospectus and any documents incorporated by reference into this Prospectus or any Supplement to this Prospectus;
- (xi) a copy of any subscription agreement relating to Notes issued on a syndicated basis that are listed on the Official List and admitted to trading on the Market; and
- (xii) all reports, letters, and other documents, historical financial information, valuations and statements prepared by any expert at the Issuer's or the Guarantor's request and any part of which is included or referred to in this Prospectus.
- (10) The annual accounts of the Issuer for the last two financial years have been audited. The consolidated accounts of the Issuer for the years ended 31 December 2006 and 31 December 2007 were audited by Ernst & Young LLP, Registered Auditor (authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority for designated investment business), in accordance with auditing standards and have been reported on without qualification. The reports of the Issuer's auditors for the years ended 31 December 2006 and 2007 contained a statement that to the fullest extent permitted by law, The Issuer's auditors do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Issuer and the Issuer's members as a body for their audit work, for their report, or for the opinions they have formed. The address of Ernst & Young LLP is 1 More London Place, London SE1 2AF, United Kingdom.
- (11) The consolidated accounts of the Issuer for the years ended 31 December 2006 and 31 December 2007 which are incorporated into this document by reference do not constitute statutory accounts within the meaning of Section 434 of the Companies Act 2006 (the "Act"). Statutory accounts for such years have been delivered to the Registrar of Companies in England and Wales. the Issuer's auditors have made a report under Section 495 of the Act on the last statutory accounts that was not qualified within the meaning of Section 539 of the Act and did not contain a statement made under Section 498(2) or Section 498(3) of the Act.
- (12) The annual accounts of the Guarantor for the last two financial years have been audited. The non-consolidated accounts of the Guarantor for the year ended 31 December 2006 and the non-consolidated accounts of the Guarantor for the year ended 31 December 2007 were audited by Ernst & Young LLP, Registered Auditor (authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority for designated investment business), in accordance with auditing standards and have been reported on without qualification. The reports of the Guarantor's auditors for the years ended 31 December 2006 and 2007 contained a statement that, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Issuer's auditors do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Guarantor and the Guarantor's members as a body for their audit work, for their report, or for the opinions they have formed. The address of Ernst & Young LLP is 1 More London Place, London SE1 2AF, United Kingdom.
- (13) The non-consolidated accounts of the Guarantor for the year ended 31 December 2006 and the non-consolidated accounts of the Guarantor for the year ended 31 December 2007 which are incorporated into this document by reference do not constitute statutory accounts within the meaning of Section 434 of the Companies Act 2006 (the "Act"). Statutory accounts for such years have been delivered to the Registrar of Companies in England and Wales. The Guarantor's auditors have made a report under Section 495 of the Act on the last statutory accounts that was not qualified within the meaning of Section 539 of the Act and did not contain a statement made under Section 498(2) or Section 498(3) of the Act.

- (14) The relevant Final Terms issued in respect of each issue of Tier 1 Notes will state whether the Issuer intends to enter into a replacement capital covenant with respect to such Series. It is anticipated that the terms of such replacement capital covenant will provide that the Issuer will not redeem or repurchase any Notes of the relevant Series of Tier 1 Notes, and will not permit any subsidiary to purchase any Notes of the relevant Series of Tier 1 Notes, unless and to the extent the aggregate redemption, repurchase or purchase price is equal to or less than the net proceeds (or in certain circumstances a specified percentage of such net proceeds) received by the Issuer or its subsidiaries, during the six months prior to such redemption, repurchase or purchase date, from new issuances of qualifying securities and that the covenant will terminate on the redemption of the relevant Tier 1 Notes if not terminated earlier in accordance with its terms. The replacement capital covenant will continue to be effective following any substitution or variation of the relevant Tier 1 Notes in accordance with their terms.
- (15) The Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information in relation to any Notes.

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