

**EXECUTION VERSION**

## **AMENDED AND RESTATED AGENCY AGREEMENT**

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### GLOBAL MEDIUM TERM COVERED NOTE PROGRAMME

THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT is dated 20 April 2021.

#### BETWEEN:

- (1) **SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS** (the **Issuer**);
- (2) **CITIBANK N.A., LONDON BRANCH** (the **Principal Paying Agent and the Paying Agent** (together the **Paying Agents**) which expression shall include any successor principal paying agent or paying agent appointed under clause 25);
- (3) **CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS EUROPE AG** (the **Registrar**, which expression shall include any successor registrar appointed under clause 25);
- (4) **CITIBANK N.A.** (together with the Registrar, the **Transfer Agents**, which expression shall include any additional or successor transfer agent appointed under clause 25 and **Transfer Agent** shall mean any of the Transfer Agents); and
- (5) **CITIBANK N.A.** (the **Exchange Agent**, which expression shall include any successor exchange agent appointed under clause 25).

#### IT IS AGREED:

##### 1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

###### 1.1 In this Agreement:

**Agent** means each of the Paying Agents, the Transfer Agents, the Calculation Agent (if appointed pursuant to a Calculation Agency Agreement) and the Exchange Agent;

**Applicable Law** means any law or regulation;

**Auditors** means the auditors for the time being of the Issuer or, in the event of their being unable or unwilling promptly to carry out any action requested of them pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement and/or the relevant Conditions, such other independent firm of accountants as may be selected by the Issuer;

**Authority** means any competent regulatory, prosecuting, Tax or governmental authority in any jurisdiction;

**Bearer Notes** means those of the Notes which are in bearer form;

**Calculation Agency Agreement** in relation to any Series of Notes which requires a calculation agent means an agreement in or substantially in the form of Schedule 1;

**Calculation Agent** means, in relation to the Notes of any Series which require a calculation agent, (i) the person appointed as calculation agent in relation to the Notes by the Issuer pursuant to the provisions of a Calculation Agency Agreement (or any other agreement) and shall include any successor calculation agent appointed in respect of the Notes, or (ii) the Principal Paying Agent if specified in the applicable Final Terms as such;

**CGN** means a Temporary Bearer Global Note in the form set out in Part 1 of Schedule 6 or a Permanent Bearer Global Note in the form set out in Part 2 of Schedule 6, in either case where the applicable Final Terms specify that the Notes are in CGN form;

**Clearstream, Luxembourg** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme;

**Code** means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

**Conditions** means, in relation to the Notes of any Series, the terms and conditions endorsed on or incorporated by reference into the Note or Notes constituting the Series, the terms and conditions being in or substantially in the form set out in Part 1 of Schedule 6, or in such other form, having regard to the terms of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent and the relevant Dealer as modified and supplemented by the applicable Final Terms;

**Coupon** means an interest coupon appertaining to a Definitive Bearer Note, the coupon being:

- (a) if appertaining to a Fixed Rate Note, in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 5A of Schedule 6 or in such other form, having regard to the terms of issue of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent and the relevant Dealer; or
- (b) if appertaining to a Floating Rate Note, in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 5B of Schedule 6 or in such other form, having regard to the terms of issue of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent and the relevant Dealer; or
- (c) if appertaining to a Definitive Bearer Note which is neither a Fixed Rate Note, a Floating Rate Note, in such form as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent and the relevant Dealer,

and includes, where applicable, the Talon(s) appertaining to the relevant Note and any replacements for Coupons and Talons issued pursuant to Condition 9 (*Replacement of Notes, Coupons and Talons*) of the Ordinary Note Conditions;

**Couponholders** means the several persons who are for the time being holders of the Coupons and shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include the holders of Talons;

**Deed Poll** means the deed poll dated 30 August 2007, substantially in the form set out in Schedule 7, executed as a deed by the Issuer in favour of the holders of the Rule 144A Notes or any beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Notes or any prospective purchasers of the Rule 144A Notes designated by any holder or beneficial owner of the Rule 144A Notes;

**Definitive Bearer Note** means a Bearer Note in definitive form issued or, as the case may require, to be issued by the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer in exchange for all or part of a Global Note in bearer form, the Definitive Bearer Note being in or substantially in the form set out in Part 4 of Schedule 6 with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Principal

Paying Agent and the relevant Dealer and having the relevant Conditions endorsed on it or, if permitted by the relevant authority or authorities and agreed by the Issuer and the relevant Dealer, incorporated in it by reference and having the applicable Final Terms (or the relevant provisions of the applicable Final Terms) either incorporated in it or endorsed on it and having Coupons and, where appropriate and/or Talons attached to it on issue;

**Definitive Notes** means Definitive Bearer Notes and/or, as the context may require, Definitive Registered Notes;

**Definitive Registered Note** means a Registered Note in definitive form issued or, as the case may require, to be issued by the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer either on issue or in exchange for all or part of a Registered Global Note, the Registered Note in definitive form being in or substantially in the form set out in Part 7 of Schedule 6 with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent and the relevant Dealer and having the relevant Conditions endorsed on it or attached to it or, if permitted by the relevant authority or authorities and agreed by the Issuer and the relevant Dealer, incorporated in it by reference and having the applicable Final Terms (or the relevant provisions of the applicable Final Terms) either incorporated in it or endorsed on it or attached to it;

**Distribution Compliance Period** has the meaning given to that term in Regulation S under the Securities Act;

**DTC** means The Depository Trust Company;

**Euroclear** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V.;

**Euronext VPS** means VPS ASA (*Verdipapirsentralen*), the Norwegian Central Securities Depository;

**Eurosystem – eligible NGN** means an NGN which is intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility, as stated in the applicable Final Terms;

**FATCA Withholding** means any withholding or deduction required pursuant to an agreement described in Section 1471(b) of the Code or otherwise imposed pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code (or any regulations thereunder or official interpretations thereof) or an intergovernmental agreement between the United States and another jurisdiction facilitating the implementation thereof (or any law implementing such an intergovernmental agreement);

**Final Terms** means, in respect of a Tranche of Notes, those terms set out in the applicable final terms document and which is attached to or endorsed on the relevant Notes.

**Fixed Rate Note** means a Note on which interest is calculated at a fixed rate payable in arrear on one or more Interest Payment Dates in each year as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer, as indicated in the applicable Final Terms;

**Floating Rate Note** means a Note on which interest is calculated at a floating rate, payable in arrear on one or more Interest Payment Dates in each year as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer, as indicated in the applicable Final Terms;

**Global Note** means a Temporary Bearer Global Note and/or a Permanent Bearer Global Note and/or a Regulation S Global Note and/or a Rule 144A Global Note, as the context may require;

**Interest Commencement Date** means, in the case of interest-bearing Notes, the date specified in the applicable Final Terms from and including which the Notes bear interest, which may or may not be the Issue Date;

**Issue Date** means, in respect of any Note, the date of issue and purchase of the Note under clause 2 of the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer being, in the case of any Definitive Note represented initially by a Global Note, the same date as the date of issue of the Global Note which initially represented the Note;

**Issue Price** means the price, generally expressed as a percentage of the nominal amount of the Notes, at which the Notes will be issued;

**NGN** means a Temporary Bearer Global Note in the form set out in Part 1 of Schedule 6 or a Permanent Bearer Global Note in the form set out in Part 2 of Schedule 6, in either case where the applicable Final Terms specify that the Notes are in NGN form;

**Note** means a note issued or to be issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Agreement, which Note may be represented by a global Note or be in definitive form and which may be in either bearer or registered form including, if in bearer form, any coupons or talons relating to it or may be a VPS Note;

**Noteholders** means the several persons who are for the time being the bearers of Bearer Notes and the registered holders of Registered Notes save that, in respect of the Notes of any Series, (i) for so long as the Notes or any part of them are represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg each person (other than Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or of Clearstream, Luxembourg as the holder of a particular nominal amount of the Notes of the Series (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as to the nominal amount of the Notes standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall be deemed to be the holder of that nominal amount of Notes (and the bearer or registered holder of the relevant Global Note shall be deemed not to be the holder) for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest on the Notes, for which purpose the bearer or registered holder of the relevant Global Note shall be treated by the Issuer and any Agent as the holder of the Notes in accordance with and subject to the terms of the relevant Global Note and (ii) so long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner or holder of a Registered Global Note, DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the Notes represented by such Registered Global Note for all purposes under the Agency Agreement and the Notes except to the extent that in accordance with DTC's published rules and procedures any ownership rights may be exercised by its participants or beneficial owners through participants and, in each case, the expressions **Noteholder**, **holder of Notes** and related expressions shall be construed accordingly;

**NSS** means the new safekeeping structure for registered global securities which are intended to constitute eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy operations;

**Ordinary Note Conditions** means the terms and conditions applicable to the Ordinary Notes, as set out in Schedule 2;

**Ordinary Notes** means the Global Notes and the Definitive Notes (and excludes, for the avoidance of doubt, the VPS Notes);

**outstanding** means, in relation to the Notes of any Series, all the Notes issued other than:

- (a) those Notes which have been redeemed and cancelled pursuant to the relevant Conditions;

- (b) those Notes in respect of which the date for redemption in accordance with the relevant Conditions has occurred and the redemption moneys (including all interest (if any) accrued to the date for redemption and any interest (if any) payable under the relevant Conditions after that date) have been duly paid to or to the order of the Principal Paying Agent in the manner provided in this Agreement (and where appropriate notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders in accordance with the relevant Conditions) and remain available for payment against presentation of the relevant Notes and/or Coupons;
- (c) those Notes which have been purchased and cancelled in accordance with the relevant Conditions;
- (d) those Notes in respect of which claims have become prescribed under the relevant Conditions;
- (e) those mutilated or defaced Notes which have been surrendered and cancelled and in respect of which replacements have been issued under the relevant Conditions;
- (f) (for the purpose only of ascertaining the nominal amount of the Notes outstanding and without prejudice to the status for any other purpose of the relevant Notes) those Notes which are alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed and in respect of which replacements have been issued under the relevant Conditions;
- (g) any Temporary Bearer Global Note to the extent that it has been exchanged for Definitive Bearer Notes or a Permanent Bearer Global Note and any Permanent Bearer Global Note to the extent that it has been exchanged for Definitive Bearer Notes in each case under its provisions;
- (h) those Rule 144A Notes which have been exchanged for Regulation S Notes and those Regulation S Notes which have been exchanged for Rule 144A Notes, in each case under the relevant Conditions and this Agreement; and
- (i) any Registered Global Note to the extent that it has been exchanged for Definitive Registered Notes and any Definitive Registered Note to the extent it has been exchanged for an interest in a Registered Global Note,

provided that for the purpose of:

- (i) attending and voting at any meeting of the Noteholders of the Series; and
- (ii) determining how many and which Notes of the Series are for the time being outstanding for the purposes of Condition 14 of the Ordinary Notes (*Meetings of Noteholders, Modification and Waiver*) and paragraphs 2, 5 and 6 of Schedule 5,

those Notes (if any) which are for the time being held by or for the benefit of the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer shall (unless and until ceasing to be so held) be deemed not to remain outstanding;

**Permanent Bearer Global Note** means a global note in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 2 of Schedule 6 together with the copy of the applicable Final Terms attached to it with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent and the relevant Dealer, comprising some or all of the Bearer Notes of the same Series issued by the Issuer under the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer;



**Programme Agreement** means the programme agreement dated 30 August 2007, as amended and restated from time to time, between the Issuer and the Dealers named in it;

**Put Notice** means a notice in the form set out in Schedule 4;

**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 Principal Paying Agent or as specified in the applicable Final Terms;

**Registered Global Note** means a Regulation S Global Note or a Rule 144A Global Note;

**Registered Notes** means those of the Notes which are in registered form;

**Regulation S** means Regulation S under the Securities Act;

**Regulation S Global Note** means a Registered Global Note in or substantially in the form set out in Part 3 of Schedule 6 together with the copy of the applicable Final Terms attached to it with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent and the relevant Dealer, comprising some or all of the Registered Notes of the same Series issued by the Issuer outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer;

**Rule 144A Global Note** means a Registered Global Note in or substantially in the form set out in Part 3 of Schedule 6 together with the copy of the applicable Final Terms attached to it with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent and the relevant Dealer, comprising some or all of the Registered Notes of the same series issued by the Issuer to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A under the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer;

**Series** means a Tranche of Notes together with any further Tranche or Tranches of Notes which are (i) expressed to be consolidated and form a single series and (ii) identical in all respects (including as to listing) except for their respective Issue Dates, Interest Commencement Dates and/or Issue Prices and the expressions **Notes of the relevant Series** and **holders of Notes of the relevant Series** and related expressions shall be construed accordingly;

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

**Subsidiary** means any entity which is a subsidiary within the meaning of Section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006;

**Talon** means a talon attached on issue to a Definitive Bearer Note which is exchangeable in accordance with its provisions for further Coupons appertaining to the Note, the talon being in or substantially in the form set out in Part 6 of Schedule 6 or in such other form as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent and the relevant Dealer and includes any replacements for Talons issued pursuant to Condition 9 of the Ordinary Notes Conditions;

**Tax** means any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by or on behalf of any Authority having power to tax;

**Temporary Bearer Global Note** means a global note in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 1 of Schedule 6 together with the copy of the applicable Final Terms attached to it with such

modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent and the relevant Dealer, comprising some or all of the Bearer Notes of the same Series issued by the Issuer under the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer;

**Tranche** means Notes which are identical in all respects (including as to listing);

**Transfer Certificate** means a certificate in the form set out in Schedule 8;

**VPS Notes** means the notes issued by the Issuer in uncertificated book entry form, registered by Euronext VPS pursuant to the VPS Agency Agreement dated 30 August 2007 (as the same may be amended or restated after the date hereof) and the procedures and regulations for the time being of Euronext VPS; and

- 1.2 (a) In this Agreement, unless the contrary intention appears, a reference to:
- (i) an **amendment** includes a supplement, restatement or novation and **amended** is to be construed accordingly;
  - (ii) a **person** includes any individual, company, unincorporated association, government, state agency, international organisation or other entity;
  - (iii) the **records** of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg shall be to the records that each of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg holds for its customers which reflect the amount of such customer's interest in the Notes;
  - (iv) a provision of a law is a reference to that provision as extended, amended or re-enacted;
  - (v) a Clause or Schedule is a reference to a clause of, or a schedule to, this Agreement;
  - (vi) a person includes its successors and assigns;
  - (vii) a document is a reference to that document as amended from time to time; and
  - (viii) a time of day is a reference to London time;
- (b) The headings in this Agreement do not affect its interpretation;
- (c) Terms defined in the Programme Agreement or the Notes or used in the applicable Final Terms shall have the same meanings in this Agreement, except where the context otherwise requires;
- (d) All references in this Agreement to costs or charges or expenses shall include any value added tax or similar tax charged or chargeable in respect thereof;
- (e) All references in this Agreement to Notes shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include any Global Note representing the Notes;
- (f) All references in this Agreement to principal and/or interest or both in respect of the Notes or to any moneys payable by the Issuer under this Agreement shall be construed in accordance with Condition 4 (*Payments*) of the relevant Conditions;

- (g) All references in this Agreement to the **relevant currency** shall be construed as references to the currency in which payments in respect of the relevant Notes and/or Coupons are to be made;
  - (h) All references in this Agreement to a Directive include any relevant implementing measure of each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented such Directive;
  - (i) All references in this Agreement to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or DTC shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system approved by the Issuer and the Principal Paying Agent or as specified in the applicable Final Terms.
- 1.3 For the purposes of this Agreement, the Notes of each Series shall form a separate series of Notes and the provisions of this Agreement shall apply *mutatis mutandis* separately and independently to the Notes of each Series and in this Agreement the expressions **Notes**, **Noteholders**, **Coupons**, **Couponholders**, **Talons** and related expressions shall be construed accordingly.
- 1.4 As used herein, in relation to any Notes which are to have a "listing" or be "listed" on the Irish Stock Exchange plc trading as Euronext Dublin (**Euronext Dublin**) , **listing** and **listed** shall be construed to mean (i) that such Notes have been admitted to the official list and trading on the regulated market of Euronext Dublin and (ii) on any other Stock Exchange within the European Economic Area, listing and listed shall be construed to mean that Notes have been admitted to trading on a market within that jurisdiction which is a regulated market for the purposes of the Market in Financial Instruments Directive (Directive 2014/65/EU) (as amended).
- 1.5 This Agreement shall not apply to any issue of VPS Notes by the Issuer.
- 1.6 This Agreement amends and restates the Agency Agreement dated 30 August 2007 as amended and restated on 14 August 2008, 23 April 2010, 18 October 2010, 16 April 2013, 19 February 2016, 10 June 2016, 6 June 2017, 10 April 2019 and 20 April 2020 between the parties hereto. This Agreement shall apply to the issue of any Notes under the Programme on or after the date hereof.

## 2. APPOINTMENT OF AGENTS

- 2.1 The Principal Paying Agent is appointed, and the Principal Paying Agent agrees to act, as agent of the Issuer, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set out below, for the following purposes:
- (a) completing, authenticating and delivering Temporary Bearer Global Notes and Permanent Bearer Global Notes and (if required) authenticating and delivering Definitive Bearer Notes;
  - (b) giving effectuation instructions in respect of each Global Note which is a Eurosystem-eligible NGN;
  - (c) giving effectuation instructions and electing a common safekeeper in respect of each Registered Global Note which is held under NSS;
  - (d) exchanging Temporary Bearer Global Notes for Permanent Bearer Global Notes or Definitive Bearer Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with the terms of Temporary Bearer Global Notes and, in respect of any such exchange (i) making all notations on Global Notes which are CGNs as required by their terms and (ii) instructing Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records in respect of all Global Notes which are NGNs;

- (e) exchanging Permanent Bearer Global Notes for Definitive Bearer Notes in accordance with the terms of Permanent Bearer Global Notes and, in respect of any such exchange, (i) making all notations on Permanent Bearer Global Notes which are CGNs required by their terms and (ii) instructing Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records in respect of all Permanent Bearer Global Notes which are NGNs;
- (f) paying sums due on Global Notes in bearer form, Definitive Bearer Notes and Coupons;
- (g) exchanging Talons for Coupons in accordance with the relevant Conditions;
- (h) determining the end of the Distribution Compliance Period applicable to each Tranche in accordance with clause 5;
- (i) unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, determining the interest and/or other amounts payable in respect of the Notes in accordance with the relevant Conditions;
- (j) arranging on behalf of and at the expense of the Issuer for notices to be communicated to the Noteholders in accordance with the relevant Conditions;
- (k) ensuring that, as directed by the Issuer, all necessary action is taken to comply with any reporting requirements of any relevant authority in respect of any relevant currency as may be in force from time to time with respect to the Notes to be issued under the Programme;
- (l) subject to the Procedures Memorandum, submitting to the relevant authority or authorities such number of copies of each Final Terms which relates to Notes which are to be listed as the relevant authority or authorities may require;
- (m) acting as Calculation Agent in respect of Notes where named as such in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (n) performing all other obligations and duties imposed upon it by the relevant Conditions, this Agreement and the Procedures Memorandum.

2.2 Each Paying Agent is appointed, and each Paying Agent agrees to act, as paying agent of the Issuer, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set out below, for the purposes of paying sums due on any Notes and Coupons and performing all other obligations and duties imposed upon it by the relevant Conditions and this Agreement.

2.3 In relation to (i) each issue of Eurosystem-eligible NGNs, and (ii) each issue of notes intended to be held under the NSS, the Issuer hereby authorises and instructs the Principal Paying Agent to elect either Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as common safekeeper, which election may vary from time to time, provided that each change shall have been agreed between the Issuer and the Principal Paying Agent. The Issuer acknowledges that any such election is subject to the right of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to jointly determine that the other shall act as common safekeeper in relation to any such issue and agrees that no liability shall attach to the Principal Paying Agent in respect of any such election made by it.

2.4 Each Transfer Agent is appointed, and each Transfer Agent agrees to act, as transfer agent of the Issuer, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set out below for the purposes of effecting transfers of Definitive Registered Notes and performing all the other obligations and duties imposed upon it by the relevant Conditions and this Agreement.

2.5 The Exchange Agent is appointed, and the Exchange Agent agrees to act, as exchange agent of the Issuer, upon and subject to the terms and conditions set out below for the purposes of effecting the

conversion of non-U.S. dollar payments into U.S. dollars and performing all other obligations in respect of the Notes held on behalf of DTC and duties imposed upon it by the relevant Conditions and this Agreement.

2.6 The Registrar is appointed, and the Registrar agrees to act, as registrar of the Issuer, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set out below, for the following purposes:

- (a) completing, authenticating and delivering Regulation S Global Notes and Rule 144A Global Notes and authenticating and delivering Definitive Registered Notes;
- (b) paying sums due on Registered Notes; and
- (c) performing all the other obligations and duties imposed upon it by the relevant Conditions, this Agreement and the Procedures Memorandum, including, without limitation, those set out in clause 10.

The Registrar may from time to time, subject to the prior written consent of the Issuer, delegate certain of its functions and duties set out in this Agreement to the Principal Paying Agent.

2.7 The obligations of the Agents under this Agreement are several and not joint.

### **3. ISSUE OF GLOBAL NOTES**

3.1 Subject to subclause 3.5, following receipt of a copy of the applicable Final Terms signed by the Issuer, the Issuer authorises the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar, and the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar agree, to take the steps required of the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar in the Procedures Memorandum.

3.2 For the purpose of subclause 3.1, the Principal Paying Agent will on behalf of the Issuer if specified in the applicable Final Terms that a Temporary Bearer Global Note will initially represent the Tranche of Notes:

- (a) prepare a Temporary Bearer Global Note by attaching a copy of the applicable Final Terms to a copy of the signed master Temporary Bearer Global Note;
- (b) authenticate the Temporary Bearer Global Note;
- (c) deliver the Temporary Bearer Global Note to the specified common depositary (if the Temporary Bearer Global Note is a CGN) or specified common safekeeper (if the Temporary Bearer Global Note is a NGN) for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and, in the case of a Temporary Bearer Global Note which is a Eurosystem-eligible NGN, to instruct the common safekeeper to effectuate the same;
- (d) ensure that the Notes of each Tranche are assigned, as applicable, security numbers (including, but not limited to, common codes and ISINs) which are different from the security numbers assigned to Notes of any other Tranche of the same Series until at least expiry of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche; and
- (e) if the Temporary Bearer Global Note is a NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make the appropriate entries in their records to reflect the initial outstanding aggregate principal amount of the relevant Tranche of Notes;

3.3 For the purpose of subclause 3.1, the Principal Paying Agent will on behalf of the Issuer if specified in the applicable Final Terms that a Permanent Bearer Global Note will represent the Notes on issue:

- (a) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, prepare a Permanent Bearer Global Note by attaching a copy of the applicable Final Terms to a copy of the master Permanent Bearer Global Note;
- (b) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, authenticate the Permanent Bearer Global Note;
- (c) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, deliver the Permanent Bearer Global Note to the specified common depositary (if the Permanent Bearer Global Note is a CGN) or specified common safekeeper (if the Permanent Bearer Global Note is a NGN) for Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and, in the case of a Permanent Bearer Global Note which is a Eurosystem-eligible NGN, to instruct the common safekeeper to effectuate the same;
- (d) if the Permanent Bearer Global Note is a NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make the appropriate entries in their records to reflect the initial outstanding aggregate principal amount of the relevant Tranche of Notes;
- (e) in the case of a subsequent Tranche of any Series of Notes deliver the applicable Final Terms to the specified common depositary or common safekeeper, as the case may be for attachment to the Permanent Bearer Global Note and, in the case where the Permanent Bearer Global Note is a CGN, make all appropriate entries on the relevant Schedule to the Permanent Bearer Global Note to reflect the increase in its nominal amount or, in the case where the Permanent Bearer Global Note is a NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make the appropriate entries in their records to reflect the increased outstanding aggregate principal amount of the relevant Series; and
- (f) ensure that the Notes of each Tranche are assigned, as applicable, security numbers (including, but not limited to, common codes and ISINs) which are different from the security numbers assigned to the Notes of any other Tranche of the same Series until at least the expiry of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche.

3.4 For the purpose of subclause 3.1, the Registrar will on behalf of the Issuer if specified in the applicable Final Terms that a Regulation S Global Note and/or a Rule 144A Global Note will initially represent the Tranche of Notes:

- (a) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, prepare a Registered Global Note by attaching a copy of the applicable Final Terms to a copy of the master Registered Global Note;
- (b) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, authenticate the Registered Global Note;
- (c) deliver in the case of a Registered Global Note registered in the name of a nominee for a common depositary or common safekeeper, as the case may be, for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, the Registered Global Note to the specified common depositary or common safekeeper for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg against receipt from the common depositary or common safekeeper of confirmation that it is holding the Registered Global Note in safe custody for the account of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and in the case of a Registered Global Note which is held under the NSS, to instruct the common safekeeper to effectuate the same and instruct Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or both of them (as the case may be) unless otherwise agreed in writing between the Registrar and the Issuer (i) in the case of Notes issued on a non-syndicated basis, to credit the Notes represented by the Registered Global Note to the Registrar's distribution account and (ii) in

the case of Notes issued on a syndicated basis, to hold the Notes represented by the Registered Global Note to the Issuer's order;

- (d) deliver in the case of a Registered Global Note registered in the name of a nominee for DTC, the Registered Global Note to a custodian for DTC against receipt from DTC of confirmation that (i) in the case of Registered Notes issued on a non-syndicated basis, that Notes represented by the Registered Global Note have been credited to the relevant Dealer's participant account (or the participant account of the DTC participant through which the relevant Dealer is acting) and (ii) in the case of Notes issued on a syndicated basis, that Notes represented by the Registered Global Note are held to the Issuer's order; and
- (e) ensure that the Notes of each Tranche are assigned, as applicable, security numbers (including, but not limited to, CUSIP numbers, CINS numbers, common codes and/or ISINs) which are different from the security numbers assigned to the Notes of any other Tranche of the same Series until at least the expiry of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche.

3.5 Each of the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar shall only be required to perform its obligations under subclauses 3.1 to 3.4 if it holds (as applicable):

- (a) a master Temporary Bearer Global Note and a master Permanent Bearer Global Note, each duly executed by a person or persons duly authorised to execute the same on behalf of the Issuer, which may be used by the Principal Paying Agent for the purpose of preparing Temporary Bearer Global Notes and Permanent Bearer Global Notes, respectively, in accordance with subclauses 3.2(a) and 3.3(a);
- (b) a master Regulation S Global Note and a master Rule 144A Global Note, each duly executed by a person or persons duly authorised to execute the same on behalf of the Issuer, which may be used by the Registrar for the purpose of preparing Regulation S Global Notes and Rule 144A Global Notes, respectively, in accordance with subclause 3.4(a); and
- (c) signed copies of the applicable Final Terms.

3.6 The Issuer undertakes to ensure that the Principal Paying Agent and/or the Registrar receives copies of each document specified in subclauses 3.2, 3.3, and 3.4 in a timely manner.

3.7 Where the Principal Paying Agent delivers any authenticated Bearer Global Note to a common safekeeper for effectuation using electronic means, it is authorised and instructed to destroy the Bearer Global Note retained by it following its receipt of confirmation from the common safekeeper that the relevant Bearer Global Note has been effectuated.

#### **4. EXCHANGE OF GLOBAL NOTES**

4.1 The Principal Paying Agent shall determine the Exchange Date for each Temporary Bearer Global Note in accordance with its terms. Immediately after determining any Exchange Date, the Principal Paying Agent shall notify its determination to the Issuer, the other Agents, the relevant Dealer, Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg. On and after the Exchange Date, the Principal Paying Agent shall deliver, upon notice from Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, a Permanent Bearer Global Note or Definitive Bearer Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with the terms of the Temporary Bearer Global Note.

4.2 Where a Temporary Bearer Global Note is to be exchanged for a Permanent Bearer Global Note, the Principal Paying Agent is authorised by the Issuer and instructed:

- (a) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Bearer Notes, to prepare and complete a Permanent Bearer Global Note in accordance with the terms of the Temporary Bearer Global Note applicable to the Tranche by attaching a copy of the applicable Final Terms to a copy of the master Permanent Bearer Global Note;
- (b) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Bearer Notes, to authenticate the Permanent Bearer Global Note;
- (c) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes if the Permanent Bearer Global Note is a CGN, to deliver the Permanent Bearer Global Note to the common depositary which is holding the Temporary Bearer Global Note representing the Tranche for the time being on behalf of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg to hold on behalf of the Issuer pending its exchange for the Temporary Bearer Global Note;
- (d) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes if the Permanent Bearer Global Note is a NGN, to deliver the Permanent Bearer Global Note to the common safekeeper which is holding the Temporary Bearer Global Note representing the Tranche for the time being on behalf of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg to effectuate (in the case of a Permanent Bearer Global Note which is a Eurosystem-eligible NGN) and to hold on behalf of the Issuer pending its exchange for the Temporary Bearer Global Note;
- (e) in the case of a subsequent Tranche of any Series of Notes if the Permanent Bearer Global Note is a CGN, to attach a copy of the applicable Final Terms to the Permanent Bearer Global Note applicable to the relevant Series and to enter details of any exchange in whole or part; and
- (f) in the case of a subsequent Tranche of any Series of Notes if the Permanent Bearer Global Note is a NGN, to deliver the applicable Final Terms to the specified common safekeeper for attachment to the Permanent Bearer Global Note applicable to the relevant Series.

4.3 Where a Global Note is to be exchanged for Definitive Notes in accordance with its terms, the Principal Paying Agent or, as the case may be, the Registrar is authorised by the Issuer and instructed:

- (a) to authenticate the Definitive Notes in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; and
- (b) to deliver the Definitive Notes (in the case of Definitive Bearer Notes) to or to the order of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and (in the case of Definitive Registered Notes) as the Registrar may be directed by the holder of the Definitive Registered Notes.

4.4 Upon any exchange of all or a part of an interest in a Temporary Bearer Global Note for an interest in a Permanent Bearer Global Note or upon any exchange of all or a part of an interest in a Temporary Bearer Global Note or a Permanent Bearer Global Note for Definitive Bearer Notes, the relevant Global Note shall, if it is a CGN be endorsed by or on behalf of the Principal Paying Agent to reflect the reduction of its nominal amount by the aggregate nominal amount so exchanged and, where applicable, the Permanent Bearer Global Note shall be endorsed by or on behalf of the Principal Paying Agent to reflect the increase in its nominal amount as a result of any exchange for an interest in the Temporary Bearer Global Note or (ii) in the case of any Bearer Global Note which is an NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such exchange. Until exchanged in full, the holder of an interest in any Bearer Global Note shall in all respects be entitled to the same benefits under this Agreement as the holder of Definitive Bearer Notes and Coupons authenticated and delivered under this Agreement, subject



as set out in the Ordinary Note Conditions. The Principal Paying Agent is authorised on behalf of the Issuer and instructed (a) in the case of any Bearer Global Note which is a CGN, to endorse or to arrange for the endorsement of the relevant Bearer Global Note to reflect the reduction in the nominal amount represented by it by the amount so exchanged and, if appropriate, to endorse the Permanent Bearer Global Note to reflect any increase in the nominal amount represented by it and, in either case, to sign in the relevant space on the relevant Bearer Global Note recording the exchange and reduction or increase and (b) in the case of any Bearer Global Note which is an NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such exchange and (c) in the case of a total exchange, to cancel or arrange for the cancellation of the relevant Bearer Global Note.

- 4.5 Upon any exchange of all or a part of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note for an interest in a Regulation S Global Note or *vice versa* or upon exchange of an interest in a Registered Global Note for Definitive Registered Notes or *vice versa*, the relevant Registered Global Note(s) shall be presented to the Registrar and endorsed to reflect the reduction or increase (as the case may be) in its/their nominal amount by the Registrar or on its behalf. The Registrar is authorised on behalf of the Issuer (a) to endorse or to arrange for the endorsement of the relevant Registered Global Note(s) to reflect the reduction or increase (as the case may be) in the nominal amount represented by it or them and, in either case, to sign in the relevant space on the relevant Registered Global Note(s) recording the exchange and reduction or increase, (b) to make all appropriate entries in the Register and (c) in the case of a total exchange, to cancel or arrange for the cancellation of the relevant Registered Global Note(s).
- 4.6 The Principal Paying Agent or, the Registrar, as the case may be, shall notify the Issuer immediately after it receives a request for the issue of Definitive Notes in accordance with the provisions of a Global Note and the aggregate nominal amount of the Global Note to be exchanged.
- 4.7 The Issuer undertakes to deliver to the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar sufficient numbers of executed Definitive Notes with, in the case of Definitive Bearer Notes if applicable, Coupons and Talons attached, to enable each of the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar to comply with its obligations under this Agreement.
- 4.8 Registered Notes will not be exchangeable for any other form of Note issued by the Issuer, and vice versa. Bearer Notes will not be exchangeable for any other form of Note issued by the Issuer, and vice versa.

## **5. DETERMINATION OF END OF DISTRIBUTION COMPLIANCE PERIOD**

- 5.1 In the case of a Tranche in respect of which there is only one Dealer, the Principal Paying Agent will determine the end of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche as being the fortieth day following the date certified by the relevant Dealer to the Principal Paying Agent as being the date on which distribution of the Notes of that Tranche was completed.
- 5.2 In the case of a Tranche in respect of which there is more than one Dealer but which is not issued on a syndicated basis, the Principal Paying Agent will determine the end of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche as being the fortieth day following the last of the dates certified by all the relevant Dealers to the Principal Paying Agent as being the respective dates on which distribution of the Notes of that Tranche purchased by each Dealer was completed.
- 5.3 In the case of a Tranche issued on a syndicated basis, the Principal Paying Agent will determine the end of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche as being the fortieth day following the date certified by the Lead Manager to the Principal Paying Agent as being the date on which distribution of the Notes of that Tranche was completed.

- 5.4 Immediately after it determines the end of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of any Tranche, the Principal Paying Agent shall notify the determination to the Issuer, Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg and the relevant Dealer or Lead Manager, as the case may be.

## 6. TERMS OF ISSUE

- 6.1 Each of the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar shall cause all Notes delivered to and held by it under this Agreement to be maintained in safe custody and shall ensure that Notes are issued only in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the relevant Conditions and, where applicable, the relevant Global Notes.
- 6.2 Subject to the procedures set out in the Procedures Memorandum, for the purposes of clause 3, each of the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar is entitled to treat a telephone, telex or facsimile communication from a person purporting to be (and whom the Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar, as the case may be, believes in good faith to be) the authorised representative of the Issuer named in the list referred to in, or notified pursuant to, clause 23.7, or any other list duly provided for the purpose by the Issuer to the Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar, as the case may be, as sufficient instructions and authority of the Issuer for the Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar to act in accordance with clause 3.
- 6.3 In the event that a person who has signed a master Global Note or master Definitive Registered Note held by the Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar, as the case may be, on behalf of the Issuer ceases to be authorised as described in clause 23.7, each of the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar shall (unless the Issuer gives notice to the Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar, as the case may be, that Notes signed by that person do not constitute valid and binding obligations of the Issuer or otherwise until replacements have been provided to the Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar, as the case may be) continue to have authority to issue Notes signed by that person, and the Issuer warrants to each of the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar that those Notes shall be valid and binding obligations of the Issuer. Promptly upon any person ceasing to be authorised, the Issuer shall provide the Principal Paying Agent with replacement master Temporary Bearer Global Notes and Permanent Bearer Global Notes and shall provide the Registrar with replacement master Registered Global Notes and Definitive Registered Notes and the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar, as the case may be, shall, upon receipt of such replacements, cancel and destroy the master Notes held by them which are signed by that person and shall provide the Issuer with a certificate of destruction, specifying the master Notes so cancelled and destroyed.
- 6.4 The Principal Paying Agent shall provide Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg with the notifications, instructions or information to be given by the Principal Paying Agent to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and the Registrar shall provide DTC with the notifications or information to be given by the Registrar to DTC.
- 6.5 If the Principal Paying Agent pays an amount (the **Advance**) to the Issuer on the basis that a payment (the **Payment**) has been or will be received from a Dealer and if the Payment is not received by the Principal Paying Agent on the date the Principal Paying Agent pays the Issuer, the Issuer shall repay to the Principal Paying Agent the Advance and shall pay interest on the Advance (or the unreimbursed portion thereof) from (and including) the date the Advance is made to (but excluding) the earlier of repayment of the Advance or receipt by the Principal Paying Agent of the Payment at a rate quoted at that time by the Principal Paying Agent as its cost of funding the Advance provided that evidence of the basis of such rate is given to the Issuer. For the avoidance of doubt, the Principal Paying Agent shall not be obliged to pay any amount to the Issuer if it has not received satisfactory confirmation that it is to receive the amount from a Dealer.

- 6.6 Except in the case of issues where the Principal Paying Agent does not act as receiving bank for the Issuer in respect of the purchase price of the Notes being issued, if on the Issue Date a Dealer does not pay the full purchase price due from it in respect of any Note (the **Defaulted Note**) and, as a result, the Defaulted Note remains in the Principal Paying Agent's distribution account with Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg after the Issue Date, the Principal Paying Agent will continue to hold the Defaulted Note to the order of the Issuer. The Principal Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer immediately of the failure of the Dealer to pay the full purchase price due from it in respect of any Defaulted Note and, subsequently, shall (a) notify the Issuer immediately on receipt from the Dealer of the full purchase price in respect of any Defaulted Note and (b) pay to the Issuer the amount so received.

## 7. PAYMENTS

- 7.1 The Issuer will, before 10.00 a.m. (local time in the relevant financial centre of the payment or, in the case of a payment in euro, London time), on each date on which any payment in respect of any Note becomes due under the relevant Conditions, transfer to an account specified by the Principal Paying Agent an amount in the relevant currency sufficient for the purposes of the payment in funds settled through such payment system as the Principal Paying Agent and the Issuer may agree. If the Principal Paying Agent determines in its absolute discretion that payment in accordance with this Clause 7 is required to be made earlier, it will provide the Issuer with no less than 21 days' prior notice in writing of such requirement.
- 7.2 Any funds paid by or by arrangement with the Issuer to the Principal Paying Agent under subclause 7.1 shall be held in the relevant account referred to in subclause 7.1 for payment to the Noteholders or Couponholders, as the case may be, until any Notes or matured Coupons become void under Condition 7 (*Prescription*) of the relevant Conditions. In that event the Principal Paying Agent shall repay to the Issuer sums equivalent to the amounts which would otherwise have been repayable on the relevant Notes or Coupons.
- 7.3 The Issuer will ensure that no later than 10.00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day (as defined below) immediately preceding the date on which any payment is to be made to the Principal Paying Agent under subclause 7.1, the Principal Paying Agent shall receive a payment confirmation by SWIFT from the paying bank of the Issuer. For the purposes of this subclause, **Business Day** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business in Norway and London.
- 7.4 The Principal Paying Agent shall notify each of the other Paying Agents and the Registrar immediately:
- (a) if it has not by the relevant date set out in clause 7.1 received unconditionally the full amount in the Specified Currency required for the payment; and
  - (b) if it receives unconditionally the full amount of any sum payable in respect of the Notes or Coupons after that date.

The Principal Paying Agent shall, at the expense of the Issuer, immediately on receiving any amount as described in subparagraph (b), cause notice of that receipt to be published under Condition 13 (*Notices*) of the Ordinary Notes.

- 7.5 The Principal Paying Agent shall ensure that payments of both principal and interest in respect of a Temporary Bearer Global Note will only be made if certification of non-U.S. beneficial ownership as required by U.S. Treasury regulations (in the form set out in the Temporary Bearer Global Note)

has been received from Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg in accordance with the terms of the Temporary Bearer Global Note.

- 7.6 Unless it has received notice under subclause 7.4(a), each Paying Agent shall pay or cause to be paid all amounts due in respect of the Notes on behalf of the Issuer in the manner provided in the applicable Conditions. If any payment provided for in subclause 7.1 is made late but otherwise in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the relevant Paying Agent shall nevertheless make payments in respect of the Notes as stated above following receipt by it of such payment.
- 7.7 If for any reason the Principal Paying Agent considers in its sole discretion that the amounts to be received by it under subclause 7.1 will be, or the amounts actually received by it are, insufficient to satisfy all claims in respect of all payments then falling due in respect of the Notes, no Paying Agent shall be obliged to pay any such claims until the Principal Paying Agent has received the full amount of all such payments.
- 7.8 Without prejudice to subclauses 7.5 and 7.6, if the Principal Paying Agent pays any amounts to the holders of Notes or Coupons or to any other Paying Agent at a time when it has not received payment in full in respect of the relevant Notes in accordance with subclause 7.1 (the excess of the amounts so paid over the amounts so received being the **Shortfall**), the Issuer will, in addition to paying amounts due under subclause 7.1, pay to the Principal Paying Agent on demand interest (at a rate which represents the Principal Paying Agent's cost of funding the Shortfall) on the Shortfall (or the unreimbursed portion thereof) until the receipt in full by the Principal Paying Agent of the Shortfall.
- 7.9 The Principal Paying Agent shall on demand promptly reimburse each other Paying Agent for payments in respect of Notes properly made by each Paying Agent in accordance with this Agreement and the relevant Conditions unless the Principal Paying Agent has notified the relevant Paying Agent, prior to its opening of business on the due date of a payment in respect of the Notes, that the Principal Paying Agent does not expect to receive sufficient funds to make payment of all amounts falling due in respect of the Notes.
- 7.10 Whilst any Notes are represented by Global Notes, all payments due in respect of the Notes shall be made to, or to the order of, the holder of the Global Notes, subject as provided in subclause 7.10 and subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Global Notes. On the occasion of each payment, (i) in the case of a Bearer Global Note which is a CGN, the Paying Agent to which any Bearer Global Note was presented for the purpose of making the payment shall cause the appropriate Schedule to the relevant Bearer Global Note to be annotated so as to evidence the amounts and dates of the payments of principal and/or interest as applicable or (ii) in the case of any Bearer Global Note which is a NGN or any Registered Global Note which is held under the NSS, the Principal Paying Agent shall instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such payment.
- 7.11 The Registrar shall pay to the Exchange Agent, and the Exchange Agent shall receive, all payments made under any Registered Global Note registered in the name of DTC or its nominee (a **DTC Note**) which is denominated in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars. The Exchange Agent shall, in accordance with normal DTC practice, be advised in writing, on or before the relevant Record Date, by DTC or its nominee:
- (a) if any beneficial holder (a **Beneficial Holder**) of the DTC Note in respect of which payment is due has elected to receive the payment in U.S. dollars and, if so, the amount of the payment (expressed in the Specified Currency in which the relevant DTC Note is denominated) which the Beneficial Holder wishes to receive in U.S. dollars; and

(b) of the payment details for each Beneficial Holder.

7.12 The Exchange Agent shall enter into a contract on behalf of the Issuer at or before 11:00 a.m. (New York City time) on the second New York Business Day (as defined below) preceding the applicable payment date and will solicit bid quotations from three recognised foreign exchange dealers (which may include the Exchange Agent) for the purchase of U.S. dollars with an amount of the relevant Specified Currency equal to the aggregate amount which DTC has notified the Exchange Agent that Beneficial Holders wish to receive in U.S. dollars. In the event that no notification is received from DTC before the Record Date, the Exchange Agent shall enter into a contract for the purchase of U.S. dollars in respect of the full amount of the payment due in respect of the relevant DTC Note. The settlement date for each purchase shall be the applicable payment date and the Exchange Agent shall enter into a contract for the purchase of the relevant amount of U.S. dollars on the basis of the most favourable bid submitted. The Exchange Agent shall, on the relevant payment day:

(a) pay all amounts converted into U.S. dollars as stated above to DTC or its nominee for distribution to the relevant Beneficial Holders;

(b) pay all the other amounts due which are denominated otherwise than in U.S. dollars direct to the relevant Beneficial Holders in accordance with the payment instructions received from DTC or its nominee.

For the purposes of this subclause, **New York Business Day** means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which foreign exchange markets are open for business in New York City that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which banking institutions are authorised or required by law or regulation to close in the city of New York and (i) with respect to Notes payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, in the principal financial centre of the relevant Specified Currency (if other than New York City and which, if the Specified Currency is Australian or New Zealand dollars, shall be Sydney or Auckland, respectively) and (ii) with respect to Notes payable in euro, a day on which the TARGET System is open.

7.13 In the event that the Exchange Agent is unable to convert the relevant Specified Currency into U.S. dollars, the entire payment will be made in the relevant Specified Currency in accordance with the payment instructions received from DTC following notification by the Exchange Agent to DTC of that fact.

7.14 If the amount of principal and/or interest then due for payment is not paid in full (otherwise than by reason of a deduction required by law to be made or a certification required by the terms of a Note not being received), (i) the Paying Agent to which a Note or Coupon (as the case may be) is presented for the purpose of making the payment shall (unless the Note is a NGN) make a record of the shortfall on the relevant Note or Coupon or, in the case of payments of interest on Registered Notes, the Registrar shall make a record in the Register and each record shall, in the absence of manifest error, be *prima facie* evidence that the payment in question has not to that extent been made or (ii) in the case of any Bearer Global Note which is a NGN, the Principal Paying Agent shall instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such shortfall in payment. In addition, in the case of any Registered Global Note which is held under the NSS, the Registrar or the Principal Paying Agent shall also instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such shortfall in payment.

## **8. DETERMINATIONS AND NOTIFICATIONS IN RESPECT OF NOTES AND INTEREST DETERMINATION**

### **8.1 Determinations and notifications**

- (a) The Principal Paying Agent shall, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, make all the determinations and calculations which it is required to make under the relevant Conditions, all subject to and in accordance with the relevant Conditions.
- (b) The Principal Paying Agent shall not be responsible to the Issuer or to any third party as a result of the Principal Paying Agent having acted on any quotation given by any Reference Bank which subsequently may be found to be incorrect.
- (c) The Principal Paying Agent shall promptly notify (and confirm in writing to) the Issuer, the other Paying Agents and (in respect of a Series of Notes listed on a Stock Exchange) the relevant Stock Exchange of each Rate of Interest, Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date and all other amounts, rates and dates which it is obliged to determine or calculate under the relevant Conditions as soon as practicable after their determination and of any subsequent amendments to them under the relevant Conditions.
- (d) The Principal Paying Agent shall use its reasonable efforts to cause each Rate of Interest, Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date and all other amounts, rates and dates which it is obliged to determine or calculate under the relevant Conditions to be published as required in accordance with the relevant Conditions as soon as possible after their determination or calculation.
- (e) If the Principal Paying Agent does not at any time for any reason determine and/or calculate and/or publish the Rate of Interest, Interest Amount and/or Interest Payment Date in respect of any Interest Period or any other amount, rate or date as provided in this clause, it shall immediately notify the Issuer and the other Paying Agents of that fact.
- (f) Determinations with regard to Notes required to be made by a Calculation Agent specified in the applicable Final Terms shall be made in the manner so specified. Unless otherwise agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer or the Lead Manager, as the case may be, or unless the Principal Paying Agent is the Calculation Agent (in which case the provisions of this Agreement shall apply), those determinations shall be made on the basis of a Calculation Agency Agreement substantially in the form of Schedule 1. Notes of any Series may specify additional duties and obligations of any Agent, the performance of which will be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Agent prior to the relevant Issue Date.

### **8.2 Interest determination**

- (a) Where Screen Rate Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, and unless the Reference Rate in respect of the relevant Series of Floating Rate Notes is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Compounded Daily SONIA”, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be either:
  - (i) the offered quotation; or
  - (ii) the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations,

(expressed as a percentage rate per annum), for the Reference Rate which appears or appear, as the case may be, on the Relevant Screen Page as at the Specified Time on the Interest Determination

Date in question plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Principal Paying Agent. If five or more offered quotations are available on the Relevant Screen Page, the highest (or, if there is more than one highest quotation, one only of those quotations) and the lowest (or, if there is more than one lowest quotation, one only of those quotations) shall be disregarded by the Principal Paying Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of the offered quotations.

- (b) If the Relevant Screen Page is not available or if, in the case of clause 8.2(a)(i), no offered quotation appears or, in the case of clause 8.2(a)(ii), fewer than three offered quotations appear, in each case as at the Specified Time, the Principal Paying Agent shall request each of the Reference Banks to provide the Principal Paying Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate at approximately the Specified Time on the Interest Determination Date in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the Principal Paying Agent with offered quotations, the Rate of Interest for the Interest Period shall be the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Principal Paying Agent.
- (c) If on any Interest Determination Date one only or none of the Reference Banks provides the Principal Paying Agent with an offered quotation as provided in the preceding paragraph, the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period shall be the rate per annum which the Principal Paying Agent determines as being the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the rates, as communicated to (and at the request of) the Principal Paying Agent by the Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, at approximately the Specified Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date, deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate by leading banks in the London inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is LIBOR) or the Euro-zone inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR) plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any) or, if fewer than two of the Reference Banks provide the Principal Paying Agent with offered rates, the offered rate for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate, or the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of the offered rates for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate, at which, at approximately the Specified Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date, any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the Issuer suitable for the purpose) informs the Principal Paying Agent it is quoting to leading banks in the London inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is LIBOR) or the Euro-zone inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR) plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), provided that, if the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the Rate of Interest shall be determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period in place of the Margin relating to that last preceding Interest Period).
- (d) 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 the Notes will be determined as provided in the applicable Final Terms.

## **9. NOTICE OF ANY WITHHOLDING OR DEDUCTION**

- 9.1 If the Issuer is, in respect of any payment, compelled to withhold or deduct any amount for or on account of taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges as specifically contemplated under the relevant Conditions, it shall give notice of that fact to the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar as soon as it becomes aware of the requirement to make the withholding or deduction and shall give

to the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar such information as either of them shall require to enable it to comply with the requirement.

- 9.2 If any Agent is, in respect of any payment of principal or interest in respect of the Notes, compelled to withhold or deduct any amount for or on account of any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges as specifically contemplated under the relevant Conditions, other than arising under subclause 9.1 or by virtue of the relevant holder failing to satisfy any certification or other requirement in respect of its Notes, it shall give notice of that fact to the Issuer and the Principal Paying Agent as soon as it becomes aware of the compulsion to withhold or deduct.

## **10. OTHER DUTIES OF THE REGISTRAR**

- 10.1 The Registrar shall perform the duties set out in this Agreement and the Ordinary Note Conditions and, in performing those duties, shall act in accordance with the Ordinary Note Conditions and this Agreement.

- 10.2 The Registrar shall so long as any Registered Note is outstanding:

- (a) maintain at its specified office a register (the **Register**) of the holders of the Registered Notes which shall show (i) the nominal amount of Notes represented by each Registered Global Note, (ii) the nominal amounts and the serial numbers of the Definitive Registered Notes, (iii) the dates of issue of all Registered Notes, (iv) all subsequent transfers and changes of ownership of Registered Notes, (v) the names and addresses of the holders of the Registered Notes, (vi) all cancellations of Registered Notes, whether because of their purchase by the Issuer, replacement or otherwise and (vii) all replacements of Registered Notes (subject, where appropriate, in the case of (vi), to the Registrar having been notified as provided in this Agreement);
- (b) effect exchanges of interests between different Registered Global Notes of the same Series, and interests in Registered Global Notes for Definitive Registered Notes and *vice versa*, in accordance with the Ordinary Note Conditions and this Agreement, keep a record of all exchanges and ensure that the Principal Paying Agent is notified immediately after any exchange;
- (c) register all transfers of Definitive Registered Notes;
- (d) make any necessary notations on Registered Global Notes following transfer or exchange of interests in them;
- (e) receive any document in relation to or affecting the title to any of the Registered Notes including all forms of transfer, forms of exchange, probates, letters of administration and powers of attorney;
- (f) immediately, and in any event within three Business Days (being days when banks are open for business in the city in which the specified office of the Registrar is located) of the relevant request (or such longer period as may be required to comply with any applicable fiscal or other laws or regulations), (i) upon receipt by it of Definitive Registered Notes for transfer (together with any certifications required by it including, but not limited to, a Transfer Certificate) or (ii) following the endorsement of a reduction in nominal amount of a Registered Global Note for exchange into Definitive Registered Notes, authenticate and deliver at its specified office to the transferee or (at the risk of the transferee) send to the address requested by the transferee duly dated and completed Definitive Registered Notes of a like aggregate nominal amount to the Definitive Registered Notes transferred and, in the case of the transfer of part only of a Definitive Registered Note, authenticate and deliver at



its specified office to the transferor or (at the risk of the transferor) send to the address requested by the transferor a duly dated and completed Definitive Registered Note in respect of the balance of the Definitive Registered Notes not so transferred;

- (g) if appropriate, charge to the holder of a Registered Note presented for exchange or transfer
  - (i) the costs or expenses (if any) of delivering Registered Notes issued on exchange or transfer other than by regular uninsured mail and (ii) a sum sufficient to cover any stamp duty, tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation to the registration;
- (h) maintain proper records of the details of all documents and certifications (including, but not limited to, certifications in the form of Schedule 8) received by itself or any other Transfer Agent (subject to receipt of all necessary information from the other Transfer Agents);
- (i) prepare any lists of holders of the Registered Notes required by the Issuer or the Principal Paying Agent or any person authorised by either of them;
- (j) subject to applicable laws and regulations at all reasonable times during office hours make the Register available to the Issuer or any person authorised by it or the holder of any Registered Note for inspection and for the taking of copies or extracts;
- (k) comply with the reasonable requests of the Issuer with respect to the maintenance of the Register and give to the other Agents any information reasonably required by them for the proper performance of their duties; and
- (l) comply with the terms of any Transfer Notices.

10.3 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in the event of a partial redemption of Notes under Condition 5 (*Redemption and Purchase*) of the Ordinary Note Conditions, the Registrar shall not be required, unless so directed by the Issuer, (a) to register the transfer of Definitive Registered Notes (or parts of Definitive Registered Notes) or to effect exchanges of interests in Registered Global Notes for Definitive Registered Notes or *vice versa* during the period beginning on the sixty-fifth day before the date of the partial redemption and ending on the day on which notice is given specifying the serial numbers of Notes called (in whole or in part) for redemption (both inclusive) or (b) to register the transfer of any Registered Note (or part of a Registered Note) called for partial redemption.

10.4 Registered Notes shall be dated:

- (a) in the case of a Registered Note issued on the Issue Date, the Issue Date; or
- (b) in the case of a Definitive Registered Note issued in exchange for an interest in a Registered Global Note, or upon transfer, with the date of registration in the Register of the exchange or transfer; or
- (c) in the case of a Definitive Registered Note issued to the transferor upon transfer in part of a Registered Note, with the same date as the date of the Registered Note transferred; or
- (d) in the case of a Definitive Registered Note issued under Condition 9 (*Replacement of Notes, Coupons and Talons*) of the Ordinary Note Conditions, with the same date as the date of the lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed Registered Note in replacement of which it is issued.

## **11. DUTIES OF THE TRANSFER AGENTS**

- 11.1 The Transfer Agents shall perform the duties set out in this Agreement and the Ordinary Note Conditions and, in performing those duties, shall act in accordance with the Ordinary Note Conditions and this Agreement.
- 11.2 Each Transfer Agent shall:
- (a) accept Registered Notes delivered to it, with the form of transfer on them duly executed, together with, as applicable, any Transfer Certificate for the transfer or exchange of all or part of the Registered Note in accordance with the Ordinary Note Conditions, and shall, in each case, give to the Registrar all relevant details required by it;
  - (b) keep a stock of the forms of Transfer Certificates and make such forms available on demand to holders of the Notes;
  - (c) immediately, and in any event within three Business Days (being days when banks are open for business in the city in which the specified office of the Registrar is located) of the relevant request (or such longer period as may be required to comply with any applicable fiscal or other laws or regulations), (i) upon receipt by it of Definitive Registered Notes for transfer (together with any certifications required by it including, but not limited to, a Transfer Certificate) or (ii) following the endorsement of a reduction in nominal amount of a Registered Global Note for exchange into Definitive Registered Notes, authenticate and deliver at its specified office to the transferee or (at the risk of the transferee) send to the address requested by transferee duly dated and completed Definitive Registered Notes of a like aggregate nominal amount to the Definitive Registered Notes transferred and, in the case of the transfer of part only of a Definitive Registered Note, authenticate and deliver at its specified office to the transferor or (at the risk of the transferor) send to the address requested by the transferor a duly dated and completed Definitive Registered Note in respect of the balance of the Definitive Registered Notes not so transferred;
  - (d) if appropriate, charge to the holder of a Registered Note presented for exchange or transfer (i) the costs or expenses (if any) of delivering Registered Notes issued on exchange or transfer other than by regular uninsured mail and (ii) a sum sufficient to cover any stamp duty, tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation to the registration and, in each case, account to the Registrar for those charges; and
  - (e) at the request of any Paying Agent deliver new Registered Notes to be issued on partial redemptions of a Registered Note.

## **12. EXTENDABLE OBLIGATIONS**

- 12.1 The applicable Final Terms may provide that the obligations to pay the Final Redemption Amount of the applicable Series of Notes on their Maturity Date may be deferred until the Extended Final Maturity Date, provided that any amount representing the amount due on the Maturity Date as set out in the applicable Final Terms due and remaining unpaid on the Maturity Date may be paid on any Interest Payment Date thereafter up to (and including) the relevant Extended Final Maturity Date. Such deferral will occur automatically if the Issuer fails to pay the Final Redemption Amount of the relevant Series of Notes on their Maturity Date (subject to applicable grace periods). Interest will continue to accrue on any unpaid amount and will be payable on each Interest Payment Date falling after the Maturity Date up to (and including) the Extended Final Maturity Date.
- 12.2 The Issuer undertakes to give the Principal Paying Agent not less than four Business Days notice prior to the Maturity Date whether (a) payment will be made of the Final Redemption Amount of the

applicable Series of Notes in full on their Maturity Date or (b) the obligation to pay the Final Redemption Amount of the applicable Series of Notes on their Maturity Date shall be deferred until the Extended Final Maturity Date (the **Extension Notice**).

- 12.3 Forthwith upon the receipt by the Principal Paying Agent of the Extension Notice, the Principal Paying Agent shall notify Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear and/or DTC not less than three Business Days prior to the Maturity Date whether (a) payment will be made of the Final Redemption Amount of the applicable Series of Notes in full on their Final Maturity Date or (b) the obligation to pay the Final Redemption Amount of the applicable Series of Notes on their Maturity Date shall be deferred until the Extended Final Maturity Date.
- 12.4 For the avoidance of doubt, a failure by the Issuer to make a notification under this Clause 12 shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of any extension of a Series of Notes under Condition 5(a) of the Ordinary Note Conditions.

### **13. REGULATIONS FOR TRANSFERS OF REGISTERED NOTES**

Subject as provided below, the Issuer may from time to time agree with the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar reasonable regulations to govern the transfer and registration of Registered Notes. The initial regulations, which shall apply until amended under this clause, are set out in Schedule 9. The Transfer Agents agree to comply with the regulations as amended from time to time.

### **14. DUTIES OF THE AGENTS IN CONNECTION WITH EARLY REDEMPTION**

- 14.1 If the Issuer decides to redeem any Notes for the time being outstanding before their Maturity Date (if any) in accordance with the relevant Conditions, the Issuer shall give notice of the decision to the Principal Paying Agent and, in the case of redemption of Registered Notes, the Registrar, stating the date on which the Notes are to be redeemed and the nominal amount of Notes to be redeemed not less than 15 days before the date on which the Issuer will give notice to the Noteholders in accordance with the relevant Conditions of the redemption in order to enable the Principal Paying Agent and, if applicable, the Registrar to carry out its duties in this Agreement and in the relevant Conditions.
- 14.2 If some only of the Notes are to be redeemed, the Principal Paying Agent shall, in the case of Definitive Notes, make the required drawing in accordance with the relevant Conditions but shall give the Issuer reasonable notice of the time and place proposed for the drawing and the Issuer shall be entitled to send representatives to attend the drawing and shall, in the case of Notes in global form, co-ordinate the selection of Notes to be redeemed with Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or DTC, all in accordance with the relevant Conditions.
- 14.3 The Principal Paying Agent shall publish the notice required in connection with any redemption and shall, if applicable, at the same time also publish a separate list of the serial numbers of any Notes in definitive form previously drawn and not presented for redemption. The redemption notice shall specify the date fixed for redemption, the redemption amount, the manner in which redemption will be effected and, in the case of a partial redemption of Definitive Notes, the serial numbers of the Notes to be redeemed. The notice will be published in accordance with the relevant Conditions. The Principal Paying Agent will also notify the other Paying Agents of any date fixed for redemption of any Notes.
- 14.4 The Registrar and each Paying Agent will keep a stock of Put Notices and will make them available on demand to holders of Definitive Notes, the relevant Conditions of which provide for redemption at the option of Noteholders. Upon receipt of any Note deposited in the exercise of a put option in accordance with the relevant Conditions, the Registrar or, as the case may be, the Paying Agent with

which the Note is deposited shall hold the Note (together with any Coupons and Talons relating to it deposited with it) on behalf of the depositing Noteholder (but shall not, save as provided below, release it) until the due date for redemption of the relevant Note consequent upon the exercise of the option, when, subject as provided below, it shall present the Note (and any such unmatured Coupons and Talons) to itself for payment of the amount due together with any interest due on the date of redemption in accordance with the relevant Conditions and shall pay those moneys in accordance with the directions of the Noteholder contained in the relevant Put Notice. If, prior to the due date for its redemption, the Note becomes immediately due and repayable or if upon due presentation payment of the redemption moneys is improperly withheld or refused, the Registrar or, as the case may be, the Paying Agent concerned shall post the Note (together with any such Coupons and Talons) by uninsured post to, and at the risk of, the relevant Noteholder (unless the Noteholder has otherwise requested and paid the costs of insurance to the Registrar or, as the case may be, the relevant Paying Agent at the time of depositing the Notes) at the address given by the Noteholder in the relevant Put Notice. In the case of a partial redemption of Registered Notes, the Registrar shall, in accordance with the relevant Conditions, post a new Registered Note in respect of the balance of the Registered Notes not redeemed to the registered holder. At the end of each period for the exercise of any put option, the Registrar and each Paying Agent shall promptly notify the Principal Paying Agent of the principal amount of the Notes in respect of which the option has been exercised with it together with their serial numbers and the Principal Paying Agent shall promptly notify those details to the Issuer.

## **15. RECEIPT AND PUBLICATION OF NOTICES**

- 15.1 Immediately after it receives a demand or notice from any Noteholder in accordance with the relevant Conditions, the Principal Paying Agent shall forward a copy to the Issuer
- 15.2 On behalf of and at the request and expense of the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent shall cause to be published all notices required to be given by the Issuer to the Noteholders in accordance with the applicable Conditions.

## **16. CANCELLATION OF NOTES, COUPONS AND TALONS**

- 16.1 All Notes which are redeemed, all Global Notes which are exchanged in full, all Registered Notes which have transferred, all Coupons which are paid and all Talons which are exchanged shall be cancelled by the Agent by which they are redeemed, exchanged, transferred or paid. In addition, all Notes which are purchased on behalf of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries and are surrendered to a Paying Agent for cancellation, together (in the case of Definitive Bearer Notes) with all unmatured Coupons or Talons (if any) attached to them or surrendered with them, shall be cancelled by the Agent to which they are surrendered. Each of the Agents shall give to the Principal Paying Agent details of all payments made by it and shall deliver all cancelled Notes, Coupons and Talons to the Principal Paying Agent or as the Principal Paying Agent may specify.
- 16.2 The Principal Paying Agent shall deliver to the Issuer as soon as reasonably practicable upon written request a certificate stating:
  - (a) the aggregate nominal amount of Notes which have been redeemed and the aggregate amount paid in respect of them;
  - (b) the number of Notes cancelled together (in the case of Bearer Notes in definitive form) with details of all unmatured Coupons or Talons attached to them or delivered with them;
  - (c) the aggregate amount paid in respect of interest on the Notes;
  - (d) the total number by maturity date of Coupons and Talons cancelled; and

(e) (in the case of Definitive Notes) the serial numbers of the Notes.

- 16.3 The Principal Paying Agent shall destroy all cancelled Notes, Coupons and Talons and, immediately following their destruction, send to the Issuer a certificate stating the serial numbers of the Notes (in the case of Notes in definitive form) and the number by maturity date of Coupons and Talons destroyed.
- 16.4 Without prejudice to the obligations of the Principal Paying Agent under subclause 16.2, the Principal Paying Agent shall keep a full and complete record of all Notes, Coupons and Talons (other than serial numbers of Coupons) and of their redemption, purchase on behalf of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries and cancellation, payment or replacement (as the case may be) and of all replacement Notes, Coupons or Talons issued in substitution for mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes, Coupons or Talons. The Principal Paying Agent shall in respect of the Coupons of each maturity retain (in the case of Coupons other than Talons) until the expiry of ten years from the Relevant Date in respect of such Coupons and (in the case of Talons) indefinitely either all paid or exchanged Coupons of that maturity or a list of the serial numbers of Coupons of that maturity still remaining unpaid or unexchanged. The Principal Paying Agent shall at all reasonable times make the record available to the Issuer and any persons authorised by it for inspection and for the taking of copies of it or extracts from it.

## **17. ISSUE OF REPLACEMENT NOTES, COUPONS AND TALONS**

- 17.1 The Issuer will cause a sufficient quantity of additional forms of (a) Bearer Notes, Coupons and Talons to be available, upon request, to the Principal Paying Agent at its specified office for the purpose of issuing replacement Bearer Notes, Coupons and Talons as provided below and (b) Registered Notes, to be available, upon request, to the Registrar at its specified office for the purpose of issuing replacement Registered Notes as provided below.
- 17.2 The Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar will, subject to and in accordance with the relevant Conditions and this clause, cause to be delivered any replacement Notes, Coupons and Talons which the Issuer may determine to issue in place of Notes, Coupons and Talons which have been lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed.
- 17.3 In the case of a mutilated or defaced Bearer Note, the Principal Paying Agent shall ensure that (unless otherwise covered by such indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require) any replacement Bearer Note will only have attached to it Coupons and Talons corresponding to those (if any) attached to the mutilated or defaced Note which is presented for replacement.
- 17.4 The Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar as the case may be, shall obtain verification in the case of an allegedly lost, stolen or destroyed Note, Coupon or Talon in respect of which the serial number is known, that the Note, Coupon or Talon has not previously been redeemed, paid or exchanged, as the case may be. Neither the Principal Paying Agent nor, as the case may be, the Registrar shall issue any replacement Note, Coupon or Talon unless and until the claimant shall have:
- (a) paid the costs and expenses incurred in connection with the issue;
  - (b) provided it with such evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require; and
  - (c) in the case of any mutilated or defaced Note, Coupon or Talon, surrendered it to the Principal Paying Agent or, as the case may be, the Registrar.
- 17.5 The Principal Paying Agent or, as the case may be, the Registrar shall cancel any mutilated or defaced Notes, Coupons and Talons in respect of which replacement Notes, Coupons and Talons have been issued under this clause and shall furnish the Issuer with a certificate stating the serial

numbers of the Notes, Coupons and Talons cancelled and, unless otherwise instructed by the Issuer in writing, shall destroy the cancelled Notes, Coupons and Talons and give to the Issuer upon written request a destruction certificate containing the information specified in clause 16.3.

- 17.6 The Principal Paying Agent or, as the case may be, the Registrar shall, on issuing any replacement Note, Coupon or Talon, immediately inform the Issuer and the other Agents of the serial number of the replacement Note, Coupon or Talon issued and (if known) of the serial number of the Note, Coupon or Talon in place of which the replacement Note, Coupon or Talon has been issued. Whenever replacement Coupons or Talons are issued, the Principal Paying Agent or, as the case may be, the Registrar shall also notify the other Agents of the maturity dates of the lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed Coupons or Talons and of the replacement Coupons or Talons issued.
- 17.7 The Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar shall keep a full and complete record of all replacement Notes, Coupons and Talons issued and shall make the record available at all reasonable times to the Issuer and any persons authorised by it for inspection and for the taking of copies of it or extracts from it.
- 17.8 Whenever any Bearer Note, Coupon or Talon for which a replacement Bearer Note, Coupon or Talon has been issued and in respect of which the serial number is known is presented to a Paying Agent for payment, the relevant Paying Agent shall immediately send notice of that fact to the Issuer and the other Paying Agents.
- 17.9 The Paying Agents shall issue further Coupon sheets against surrender of Talons. A Talon so surrendered shall be cancelled by the relevant Paying Agent who (except where the Paying Agent is the Principal Paying Agent) shall inform the Principal Paying Agent of its serial number. Further Coupon sheets issued on surrender of Talons shall carry the same serial number as the surrendered Talon.

## **18. COPIES OF DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION**

- 18.1 The executed Deed Poll shall be deposited with the Principal Paying Agent and shall be held in safe custody by it on behalf of the Noteholders and the Couponholders at its specified office for the time being.
- 18.2 Each Paying Agent shall hold available for inspection at its specified office during normal business hours copies of all documents required to be so available by the relevant Conditions of any Notes or the rules of any relevant Stock Exchange (or any other relevant authority). For these purposes, the Issuer shall provide the Paying Agents with sufficient copies of each of the relevant documents.

## **19. MEETINGS OF ORDINARY NOTEHOLDERS**

- 19.1 The provisions of Schedule 5 shall apply to meetings of the Ordinary Noteholders and shall have effect in the same manner as if set out in this Agreement.
- 19.2 Without prejudice to subclause 19.1, each of the Paying Agents on the request of any holder of Bearer Notes shall issue voting certificates and block voting instructions in accordance with Schedule 5 and shall immediately give notice to the Issuer in writing of any revocation or amendment of a block voting instruction. Each of the Paying Agents will keep a full and complete record of all voting certificates and block voting instructions issued by it and will, not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for holding a meeting or adjourned meeting, deposit at such place as the Principal Paying Agent shall approve, full particulars of all voting certificates and block voting instructions issued by it in respect of the meeting or adjourned meeting.

## **20. COMMISSIONS AND EXPENSES**

- 20.1 The Issuer agrees to pay to the Principal Paying Agent such fees and commissions as the Issuer and the Principal Paying Agent shall separately agree in respect of the services of the Agents under this Agreement together with any out of pocket expenses (including legal, printing, postage, fax, cable and advertising expenses) incurred by the Agents in connection with their services.
- 20.2 The Principal Paying Agent will make payment of the fees and commissions due under this Agreement to the other Agents and will reimburse their expenses promptly after the receipt of the relevant moneys from the Issuer. The Issuer shall not be responsible for any payment or reimbursement by the Principal Paying Agent to the other Agents.

## **21. INDEMNITY**

- 21.1 The Issuer shall indemnify each of the Agents, against any losses, liabilities, costs, claims, actions, demands or expenses (together, **Losses**) (including, but not limited to, all reasonable costs, legal fees, charges and expenses (together, **Expenses**) paid or incurred in disputing or defending any Losses) which it may incur or which may be made against it as a result of or in connection with its appointment or the exercise of its powers and duties under this Agreement except for any Losses or Expenses resulting from its own default, negligence or bad faith or that of its officers, directors or employees.
- 21.2 Each of the Agent and the Registrar shall severally indemnify the Issuer against any Losses, (including, but not limited to, all reasonable Expenses paid or incurred in disputing or defending any Losses) which the Issuer may incur or which may be made against the Issuer as a result of that Agent's default, negligence or bad faith or that of its officers, directors or employees.
- 21.3 In no circumstances will an Agent be liable to the Issuer or to any other party to this Agreement for losses which are not a reasonably foreseeable consequence of an act or omission of the relevant Agent. For the avoidance of doubt, loss of business, goodwill, opportunity or profit shall not be a reasonably foreseeable consequence for the purposes of this clause, even if an Agent is advised of the possibility of such loss.
- 21.4 The indemnities set out above shall survive any termination of this Agreement.

## **22. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE AGENTS**

- 22.1 No Agent shall be responsible to anyone with respect to the validity of this Agreement or the Notes or Coupons or for any act or omission by it in connection with this Agreement or any Note or Coupon except for its own negligence, default or bad faith, including that of its officers and employees.
- 22.2 No Agent shall have any duty or responsibility in the case of any default by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations under the relevant Conditions or, in the case of receipt of a written demand from a Noteholder or Couponholder, with respect to such default, provided however that immediately on receiving any notice given by a Noteholder in accordance with Condition 8 of the applicable Conditions (*Events of Default*), the Principal Paying Agent notifies the Issuer of the fact and furnishes it with a copy of the notice.
- 22.3 Whenever in the performance of its duties under this Agreement an Agent shall deem it desirable that any matter be established by the Issuer prior to taking or suffering any action under this Agreement, the matter may be deemed to be conclusively established by a certificate signed by the Issuer and delivered to the Agent and the certificate shall be a full authorisation to the Agent for any

action taken or suffered in good faith by it under the provisions of this Agreement in reliance upon the certificate.

- 22.4 Notwithstanding anything else herein contained, the Agents may refrain without liability from doing anything that would or might in its opinion be contrary to any law of any state or jurisdiction (including but not limited to the laws of Norway, the United States of America or any jurisdiction forming a part of it and England & Wales) or any directive or regulation of any agency of any such state or jurisdiction and may without liability do anything which is, in its opinion, necessary to comply with any such law, directive or regulation.

### **23. CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT**

- 23.1 Each Agent shall be entitled to deal with money paid to it by the Issuer for the purpose of this Agreement in the same manner as other money paid to a banker by its customers except:
- (a) that it shall not exercise any right of set-off, lien or similar claim in respect of the money; and
  - (b) that it shall not be liable to account to the Issuer for any interest on the money.
- 23.2 In acting under this Agreement and in connection with the Notes, each Agent shall act solely as an agent of the Issuer and will not assume any obligations towards or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or holders of the Notes, Coupons or Talons.
- 23.3 Each Agent undertakes to the Issuer to perform its duties, and shall be obliged to perform the duties and only the duties, specifically stated in this Agreement (including Schedule 11 in the case of the Principal Paying Agent), the applicable Conditions and the Procedures Memorandum, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into any of those documents against any Agent, other than the duty to act honestly and in good faith and to exercise the diligence of a reasonably prudent agent in comparable circumstances. Each of the Paying Agents (other than the Agent) agrees that if any information that is required by the Agent to perform the duties set out in Schedule 11 becomes known to it, it will promptly provide such information to the Agent.
- 23.4 The Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar may consult with legal and other professional advisers and the opinion of the advisers shall be full and complete protection in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered under this Agreement in good faith and in accordance with the opinion of the advisers.
- 23.5 Each Agent shall be protected and shall incur no liability in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered in reliance on any instruction from the Issuer or any document which it reasonably believes to be genuine and to have been delivered by the proper party or on written instructions from the Issuer.
- 23.6 Any Agent, and its officers, directors and employees may become the owner of, and/or acquire any interest in, any Notes, Coupons or Talons with the same rights that it or he would have had if the Agent concerned were not appointed under this Agreement, and may engage or be interested in any financial or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depositary, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of holders of Notes or Coupons or in connection with any other obligations of the Issuer as freely as if the Agent were not appointed under this Agreement.
- 23.7 The Issuer shall provide the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar with a certified copy of the list of persons authorised to execute documents and take action on its behalf in connection with this Agreement and shall notify the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar immediately in writing if any of those persons ceases to be authorised or if any additional person becomes authorised together,



in the case of an additional authorised person, with evidence satisfactory to the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar that the person has been authorised.

23.8 Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law or applicable regulations, the Issuer and each of the Agents shall be entitled to treat the bearer of any Bearer Note or Coupon and the registered holder of any Registered Note as the absolute owner of it (whether or not it is overdue and notwithstanding any notice of ownership or writing on it or notice of any previous loss or theft of it).

23.9 The amount of the Programme may be increased by the Issuer in accordance with the procedure set out in the Programme Agreement. Upon any increase being effected, all references in this Agreement to the amount of the Programme shall be deemed to be references to the increased amount.

## **24. COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE PARTIES**

A copy of all communications relating to the subject matter of this Agreement between the Issuer, any Agent (other than the Principal Paying Agent) and the Registrar shall be sent to the Principal Paying Agent.

## **25. CHANGES IN AGENTS**

25.1 The Issuer agrees that, for so long as any Note is outstanding, or until moneys for the payment of all amounts in respect of all outstanding Notes have been made available to the Principal Paying Agent and have been returned to the Issuer as provided in this Agreement:

- (a) so long as any Notes are listed on any Stock Exchange, there will at all times be a Paying Agent, which may be the Principal Paying Agent, and a Transfer Agent, which may be the Registrar, with a specified office in the place required by the rules and regulations of the relevant Stock Exchange or any other relevant authority;
- (b) there will at all times be a Principal Paying Agent and a Registrar;
- (c) so long as any Registered Global Notes are registered in the name of a nominee for DTC, there will at all times be an Exchange Agent;
- (d) there will at all times be a Paying Agent in a Member State of the European Union that will not be obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to European Directive 2003/48/EC on any law implementing or complying with or introduced in order to conform to such Directives; and
- (e) there will at all times be a Paying Agent in a jurisdiction within Europe, other than the jurisdiction in which the Issuer is incorporated.

In addition, the Issuer shall immediately appoint a Paying Agent having a specified office in New York City in the circumstances described in Condition 4(e) (*Payments - General provisions applicable to payments*). Any variation, termination, appointment or change shall only take effect (other than in the case of insolvency (as provided in subclause 25.1, when it shall be of immediate effect) after not less than 30 nor more than 45 days' prior notice shall have been given to the Noteholders in accordance with the relevant Conditions.

25.2 Each of the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar may (subject as provided in subclause 25.3) at any time resign by giving at least 90 days' written notice to the Issuer specifying the date on which its resignation shall become effective.

- 25.3 Each of the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar may (subject as provided in subclause 25.3) be removed at any time by the Issuer on at least 45 days' notice in writing from the Issuer specifying the date when the removal shall become effective.
- 25.4 Any resignation under subclause 25.2 or removal of the Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar under subclause 25.3 shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Principal Paying Agent or Registrar, as the case may be, and (other than in cases of insolvency of the Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar, as the case may be) on the expiry of the notice to be given under clause 27. The Issuer agrees with the Principal Paying Agent and the Registrar that if, by the day falling 10 days before the expiry of any notice under subclause 25.2, the Issuer has not appointed a successor Principal Paying Agent or Registrar, as the case may be, then the Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar, as the case may be, shall be entitled, on behalf of the Issuer, to appoint as a successor Principal Paying Agent or Registrar, as the case may be, in its place a reputable financial institution of good standing which the Issuer shall approve (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- 25.5 In case at any time any Agent resigns, or is removed, or becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy or makes an assignment for the benefit of its creditors or consents to the appointment of an administrator, liquidator or administrative or other receiver of all or a substantial part of its property, or admits in writing its inability to pay or meet its debts as they mature or suspends payment of its debts, or if any order of any court is entered approving any petition filed by or against it under the provisions of any applicable bankruptcy or insolvency law or if a receiver of it or of all or a substantial part of its property is appointed or if any officer takes charge or control of it or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation, a successor Agent which shall be a reputable financial institution of good standing may be appointed by the Issuer. Upon the appointment of a successor Agent and acceptance by it of its appointment and (other than in case of insolvency of the Agent when it shall be of immediate effect) upon expiry of the notice to be given under clause 27, the Agent so superseded shall cease to be an Agent under this Agreement.
- 25.6 Subject to subclause 25.1, the Issuer may, after prior consultation with the Principal Paying Agent, terminate the appointment of any of the other Agents at any time and/or appoint one or more further or other Agents by giving to the Principal Paying Agent and to the relevant other Agent at least 45 days' notice in writing to that effect (other than in the case of insolvency).
- 25.7 Subject to subclause 25.1, all or any of the Agents (other than the Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar) may resign their respective appointments under this Agreement at any time by giving the Issuer and the Principal Paying Agent at least 45 days' written notice to that effect.
- 25.8 Upon its resignation or removal becoming effective, an Agent shall:
- (a) in the case of the Principal Paying Agent, the Registrar and the Exchange Agent, immediately transfer all moneys and records held by it under this Agreement to the successor Agent; and
  - (b) be entitled to the payment by the Issuer of the commissions, fees and expenses payable in respect of its services under this Agreement before termination in accordance with the terms of clause 20.
- 25.9 Upon its appointment becoming effective, a successor or new Agent shall, without any further action, become vested with all the authority, rights, powers, duties and obligations of its predecessor or, as the case may be, an Agent with the same effect as if originally named as an Agent under this Agreement.

## **26. MERGER AND CONSOLIDATION**

Any corporation into which any Agent may be merged or converted, or any corporation with which an Agent may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which an Agent shall be a party, or any corporation to which an Agent shall sell or otherwise transfer all or substantially all of its assets shall, on the date when the merger, conversion, consolidation or transfer becomes effective and to the extent permitted by any applicable laws, become the successor Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of the parties to this Agreement, unless otherwise required by the Issuer (Calling Agent) and after the said effective date all references in this Agreement to the relevant Agent shall be deemed to be references to such successor corporation. Written notice of any such merger, conversion, consolidation or transfer shall immediately be given to the Issuer by the relevant Agent.

## **27. NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES TO AGENTS**

Following receipt of notice of resignation from an Agent and immediately after appointing a successor or new Agent or on giving notice to terminate the appointment of any Agent, the Principal Paying Agent (on behalf of and at the expense of the Issuer) shall give or cause to be given not more than 45 days' nor less than 30 days' notice of the fact to the Noteholders in accordance with the applicable Conditions.

## **28. CHANGE OF SPECIFIED OFFICE**

If any Agent determines to change its specified office it shall give to the Issuer and the Principal Paying Agent written notice of that fact giving the address of the new specified office which shall be in the same city and stating the date on which the change is to take effect, which shall not be less than 45 days after the notice. The Principal Paying Agent (on behalf and at the expense of the Issuer) shall within 15 days of receipt of the notice (unless the appointment of the relevant Agent is to terminate pursuant to clause 25 on or prior to the date of the change) give or cause to be given not more than 45 days' nor less than 30 days' notice of the change to the Noteholders in accordance with the relevant Conditions.

## **29. COMMUNICATIONS**

- 29.1 All communications shall be by fax or letter delivered by hand or (but only where specifically provided in the Procedures Memorandum) by telephone. Each communication shall be made to the relevant party at the fax number or address or telephone number and, in the case of a communication by fax or letter, marked for the attention of, or (in the case of a communication by telephone) made to, the person or department from time to time specified in writing by that party to the others for the purpose. The initial telephone number, fax number and person or department so specified by each party are set out in the Procedures Memorandum.
- 29.2 A communication shall be deemed received (if by fax) when an acknowledgement of receipt is received, (if by telephone) when made or (if by letter) when delivered, in each case in the manner required by this clause. However, if a communication is received after business hours on any business day or on a day which is not a business day in the place of receipt it shall be deemed to be received and become effective at the opening of business on the next business day in the place of receipt. Every communication shall be irrevocable save in respect of any manifest error in it.
- 29.3 Any notice given under or in connection with this Agreement shall be in English. All other documents provided under or in connection with this Agreement shall be:
- (a) in English; or

- (b) if not in English, accompanied by a certified English translation and, in this case, the English translation shall prevail unless the document is a statutory or other official document.

### 30. TAXES AND STAMP DUTIES

The Issuer agrees to pay any and all stamp and other documentary taxes or duties which may be payable in connection with the execution, delivery, performance and enforcement of this Agreement.

### 31. CURRENCY INDEMNITY

If, under any applicable law and whether pursuant to a judgment being made or registered against the Issuer or in the liquidation, insolvency or any similar process of the Issuer or for any other reason, any payment under or in connection with this Agreement is made or falls to be satisfied in a currency (the **other currency**) other than that in which the relevant payment is expressed to be due (the **required currency**) under this Agreement, then, to the extent that the payment (when converted into the required currency at the rate of exchange on the date of payment or, if it is not practicable for the relevant Agent to purchase the required currency with the other currency on the date of payment, at the rate of exchange as soon thereafter as it is practicable for it to do so or, in the case of a liquidation, insolvency or analogous process, at the rate of exchange on the latest date permitted by applicable law for the determination of liabilities in such liquidation, insolvency or analogous process) actually received by the relevant Agent falls short of the amount due under the terms of this Agreement, the Issuer undertakes that it shall, as a separate and independent obligation, indemnify and hold harmless the Agent against the amount of the shortfall. For the purpose of this clause, **rate of exchange** means the rate at which the relevant Agent is able on the London foreign exchange market on the relevant date to purchase the required currency with the other currency and shall take into account any premium and other reasonable costs of exchange.

### 32. AMENDMENTS

The Principal Paying Agent and the Issuer may agree, without the consent of the Noteholders, to:

- (a) any modification of this Agreement which, in the opinion of the Issuer, is not prejudicial to the interests of any Noteholder; or
- (b) any modification of this Agreement which is:
  - (i) of a formal, minor or technical nature; or
  - (ii) is made to correct a manifest or proven error; or
  - (iii) is made to comply with mandatory provisions of the law.

Any such modification or agreement shall be binding on the Noteholders, and any such modification shall be notified to the Noteholders in accordance with the relevant Conditions as soon as practicable thereafter.

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

A person who is not a party to this Agreement has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Agreement, but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from that Act.

#### **34. GOVERNING LAW AND SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION**

- 34.1 This Agreement and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English law.
- 34.2 The Issuer irrevocably agrees for the benefit of the Agents that the courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) and that accordingly any suit, action or proceedings (together referred to as **Proceedings**) arising out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) may be brought in such courts.
- 34.3 The Issuer irrevocably waives any objection which it may have to the laying of the venue of any Proceedings in any such courts and any claim that any such Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and further irrevocably agrees that a judgment in any Proceedings brought in the English courts shall be conclusive and binding upon it and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction.
- 34.4 Nothing contained in this clause shall limit any right to take Proceedings against the Issuer in any other court of competent jurisdiction, nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction, whether concurrently or not.
- 34.5 The Issuer appoints DNB ASA, London Branch at its registered office at 8th Floor, The Walbrook Building, 25 Walbrook, London, EC4N 8AF, England as its agent for service of process in England, and undertakes that, in the event of DNB NOR Bank ASA, London Branch ceasing so to act or ceasing to be registered in England, it will appoint another person as agent for service of process in England in respect of any Proceedings. Nothing herein shall affect the right to serve proceedings in any other manner permitted by law.
- 34.6 The Issuer irrevocably and unconditionally waives with respect to this Agreement any right to claim sovereign or other immunity from jurisdiction or execution and any similar defence and irrevocably and unconditionally consents to the giving of any relief or the issue of any process, including without limitation, the making, enforcement or execution against any property whatsoever (irrespective of its use or intended use) of any order or judgement made or given in connection with any Proceedings.

#### **35. COUNTERPARTS**

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and this has the same effect as if the signatures on the counterparts were on a single copy of this Agreement.

#### **36. FATCA**

- 36.1 Each party to this Agreement shall, within ten business days of a written request by another party to this Agreement, supply to that other party such forms, documentation and other information relating to it, its operations, or the Ordinary Notes as that other party reasonably requests for the purposes of that other party's compliance with Applicable Law and shall notify the relevant other party reasonably promptly in the event that it becomes aware that any of the forms, documentation or other information provided by such party is (or becomes) inaccurate in any material respect; provided, however, that no party to this Agreement shall be required to provide any forms, documentation or other information pursuant to this Clause 36 to the extent that: (i) any such form, documentation or other information (or the information required to be provided on such form or documentation) is not reasonably available to such party and cannot be obtained by such party using reasonable efforts; or (ii) doing so would or might in the reasonable opinion of such party constitute a breach of any: (a)

Applicable Law; (b) fiduciary duty; or (c) duty of confidentiality. For purposes of this Clause 36, “Applicable Law” shall be deemed to include (i) any rule or practice of any Authority by which any Party is bound or with which it is accustomed to comply; (ii) any agreement between any Authorities; and (iii) any agreement between any Authority and any party that is customarily entered into by institutions of a similar nature.

- 36.2 The Issuer shall notify each Agent in the event that it determines that any payment to be made by an Agent under the Ordinary Notes is a payment which could be subject to FATCA Withholding if such payment were made to a recipient that is generally unable to receive payments free from FATCA Withholding, and the extent to which the relevant payment is so treated, provided, however, that the Issuer’s obligation under this Clause 36 shall apply only to the extent that such payments are so treated by virtue of characteristics of the Issuer, the Ordinary Notes, or both.
- 36.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, each Agent shall be entitled to make a deduction or withholding from any payment which it makes under the Ordinary Notes for or on account of any Tax, if and only to the extent so required by Applicable Law, in which event the Agent shall make such payment after such deduction or withholding has been made and shall account to the relevant Authority within the time allowed for the amount so deducted or withheld or, at its option, shall reasonably promptly after making such payment return to the Issuer the amount so deducted or withheld, in which case, the Issuer shall so account to the relevant Authority for such amount. For the avoidance of doubt, FATCA Withholding is a deduction or withholding which is deemed to be required by Applicable Law for the purposes of this Clause 36.
- 36.4 In the event that the Issuer determines in its sole discretion that any deduction or withholding for or on account of any Tax will be required by Applicable Law in connection with any payment due to any of the Agents on any Ordinary Notes, then the Issuer will be entitled to redirect or reorganise any such payment in any way that it sees fit in order that the payment may be made without such deduction or withholding provided that, any such redirected or reorganised payment is made through a recognised institution of international standing and otherwise made in accordance with this Agreement. The Issuer will promptly notify the Agents of any such redirection or reorganisation. For the avoidance of doubt, FATCA Withholding is a deduction or withholding which is deemed to be required by Applicable Law for the purposes of this Clause 36.

**SCHEDULE 1**

**FORM OF CALCULATION AGENCY AGREEMENT**

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**DATE [            ]**

**SPAREBANK I BOLIGKREDITT AS**

**€35,000,000,000**

**GLOBAL MEDIUM TERM COVERED NOTE PROGRAMME**

## CALCULATION AGENCY AGREEMENT

**in respect of a**

**€35,000,000,000**

**GLOBAL MEDIUM TERM COVERED NOTE PROGRAMME**

**THIS AGREEMENT** is dated [ ]

BETWEEN:

- (1) SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS (the **Issuer**); and
- (2) CITIBANK N.A. (the **Calculation Agent**, which expression shall include any successor calculation agent appointed under this Agreement).

**IT IS AGREED:**

## 1. APPOINTMENT OF THE CALCULATION AGENT

The Calculation Agent is appointed, and the Calculation Agent agrees to act, as Calculation Agent in respect of each Series of Notes described in the Schedule (the **Relevant Notes**) for the purposes set out in clause 2 and on the terms of this Agreement. The agreement of the parties that this Agreement is to apply to each Series of Relevant Notes shall be evidenced by the manuscript annotation and signature in counterpart of the Schedule.

## 2. DUTIES OF CALCULATION AGENT

The Calculation Agent shall in relation to each series of Relevant Notes (each a **Series**) perform all the functions and duties imposed on the Calculation Agent by the terms and conditions of the Relevant Notes (the **Conditions**) including endorsing the Schedule appropriately in relation to each Series of Relevant Notes.

### 3. EXPENSES

The arrangements in relation to expenses will be separately agreed in relation to each issue of Relevant Notes.

#### 4. INDEMNITY

- 4.1 The Issuer shall indemnify the Calculation Agent against any losses, liabilities, costs, claims, actions, demands or expenses (together, Losses) (including, but not limited to, all reasonable costs, legal fees, charges and expenses (together, Expenses) paid or incurred in disputing or defending any Losses) which it may incur or which may be made against it as a result of or in connection with its appointment or the exercise of its powers and duties under this Agreement except for any Losses or Expenses resulting from its own default, negligence or bad faith or that of its officers, directors or employees.
- 4.2 The Calculation Agent shall indemnify the Issuer against any Losses (including, but not limited to, all reasonable Expenses paid or incurred in disputing or defending any Losses) which the Issuer may incur or which may be made against the Issuer as a result of the Calculation Agent's default, negligence or bad faith or that of its officers, directors or employees.



## **5. CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT**

- 5.1 In acting under this Agreement and in connection with the Relevant Notes, the Calculation Agent shall act solely as an agent of the Issuer and will not assume any obligations towards or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or holders of the Relevant Notes or the coupons (if any) appertaining to the Relevant Notes (the **Coupons**).
- 5.2 In relation to each issue of Relevant Notes, the Calculation Agent shall be obliged to perform the duties and only the duties specifically stated in this Agreement and the Conditions and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Conditions against the Calculation Agent, other than the duty to act honestly and in good faith and to exercise the diligence of a reasonably prudent expert in comparable circumstances.
- 5.3 The Calculation Agent may consult with legal and other professional advisers and the opinion of the advisers shall be full and complete protection in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered under this Agreement in good faith and in accordance with the opinion of the advisers.
- 5.4 The Calculation Agent shall be protected and shall incur no liability in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered in reliance on any instruction from the Issuer or any document which it reasonably believes to be genuine and to have been delivered by the proper party or on written instructions from the Issuer.
- 5.5 The Calculation Agent and any of its officers, directors and employees may become the owner of, or acquire any interest in, any Notes or Coupons (if any) with the same rights that it or he would have had if the Calculation Agent were not appointed under this Agreement, and may engage or be interested in any financial or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depositary, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of holders of Notes or Coupons or in connection with any other obligations of the Issuer as freely as if the Calculation Agent were not appointed under this Agreement.

## **6. TERMINATION OF APPOINTMENT**

- 6.1 The Issuer may terminate the appointment of the Calculation Agent at any time by giving to the Calculation Agent at least 45 days' prior written notice to that effect, provided that, so long as any of the Relevant Notes is outstanding:
- (a) the notice shall not expire less than 45 days before any date on which any calculation is due to be made in respect of any Relevant Notes; and
  - (b) notice shall be given in accordance with the Conditions to the holders of the Relevant Notes at least 30 days before any removal of the Calculation Agent.
- 6.2 Notwithstanding the provisions of subclause 6.1, if at any time:
- (a) the Calculation Agent becomes incapable of acting, or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy or makes an assignment for the benefit of its creditors or consents to the appointment of an administrator, liquidator or administrative or other receiver of all or any substantial part of its property, or admits in writing its inability to pay or meet its debts as they may mature or suspends payment of its debts, or if any order of any court is entered approving any petition filed by or against it under the provisions of any applicable bankruptcy or insolvency law or if a receiver of it or of all or a substantial part of its property is appointed or if any officer takes charge or control of the Calculation Agent or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation; or

- (b) the Calculation Agent fails duly to perform any function or duty imposed on it by the Conditions and this Agreement,

the Issuer may immediately without notice terminate the appointment of the Calculation Agent, in which event notice of the termination shall be given to the holders of the Relevant Notes in accordance with the Conditions as soon as practicable.

- 6.3 The termination of the appointment of the Calculation Agent under subclause 6.1 or 6.2 shall not entitle the Calculation Agent to any amount by way of compensation but shall be without prejudice to any amount then accrued due.
- 6.4 The Calculation Agent may resign its appointment under this Agreement at any time by giving to the Issuer at least 90 days' prior written notice to that effect. Following receipt of a notice of resignation from the Calculation Agent, the Issuer shall promptly give notice of the resignation to the holders of the Relevant Notes in accordance with the Conditions.
- 6.5 Notwithstanding the provisions of subclauses 6.1, 6.2 and 6.4, so long as any of the Relevant Notes is outstanding, the termination of the appointment of the Calculation Agent (whether by the Issuer or by the resignation of the Calculation Agent) shall not be effective unless upon the expiry of the relevant notice a successor Calculation Agent has been appointed. The Issuer agrees with the Calculation Agent that if, by the day falling 10 days before the expiry of any notice under subclause 6.4, the Issuer has not appointed a replacement Calculation Agent, the Calculation Agent shall be entitled, on behalf of the Issuer, to appoint as a successor Calculation Agent in its place a reputable financial institution of good standing which the Issuer shall approve (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- 6.6 Upon its appointment becoming effective, a successor Calculation Agent shall without further action, become vested with all the authority, rights, powers, duties and obligations of its predecessor with the same effect as if originally named as the Calculation Agent under this Agreement.
- 6.7 If the appointment of the Calculation Agent under this Agreement is terminated (whether by the Issuer or by the resignation of the Calculation Agent), the Calculation Agent shall on the date on which the termination takes effect deliver to the successor Calculation Agent any records concerning the Relevant Notes maintained by it (except those documents and records which it is obliged by law or regulation to retain or not to release), but shall have no other duties or responsibilities under this Agreement.
- 6.8 Any corporation into which the Calculation Agent may be merged or converted, or any corporation with which the Calculation Agent may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Calculation Agent shall be a party, or any corporation to which the Calculation Agent shall sell or otherwise transfer all or substantially all of its assets shall, on the date when the merger, consolidation or transfer becomes effective and to the extent permitted by any applicable laws, become the successor Calculation Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties to this Agreement, unless otherwise required by the Issuer, and after the said effective date all references in this Agreement to the Calculation Agent shall be deemed to be references to such successor corporation. Written notice of any such merger, conversion, consolidation or transfer shall immediately be given to the Issuer and the Principal Paying Agent by the Calculation Agent.

## **7. COMMUNICATIONS**

- 7.1 All communications shall be by fax or letter delivered by hand. Each communication shall be made to the relevant party at the fax number or address and marked for the attention of the person or

department from time to time specified in writing by that party to the others for the purpose. The initial fax number and person or department so specified by each party are set out in the Procedures Memorandum or, in the case of the Calculation Agent, on the signature page of this Agreement.

7.2 A communication shall be deemed received (if by fax) when an acknowledgement of receipt is received or (if by letter) when delivered, in each case in the manner required by this clause. However, if a communication is received after business hours on any business day or on a day which is not a business day in the place of receipt it shall be deemed to be received and become effective at the opening of business on the next business day in the place of receipt. Every communication shall be irrevocable save in respect of any manifest error in it.

7.3 Any notice given under or in connection with this Agreement shall be in English. All other documents provided under or in connection with this Agreement shall be:

(a) in English; or

(b) if not in English, accompanied by a certified English translation and, in this case, the English translation shall prevail unless the document is a statutory or other official document.

7.4 A copy of any communication given to the Issuer in accordance with subclause 7.1 shall be given at:

SpareBank 1 Boligkreditt AS  
Børehaugen 1  
N-4003 Stavanger  
NORWAY  
E-mail: boligkreditt@sparebank1.no  
Phone +47 905 47 432  
Att: ALM

## **8. DESCRIPTIVE HEADINGS AND COUNTERPARTS**

8.1 The descriptive headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not define or limit the provisions hereof.

8.2 This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and this has the same effect as if the signatures on the counterparts were on a single copy of this Agreement.

## **9. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999**

A person who is not a party to this Agreement has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Agreement, but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from that Act.

## **10. GOVERNING LAW AND SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION**

10.1 This Agreement and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be and construed in accordance with, the laws of England.

10.2 The Issuer irrevocably agrees for the benefit of the Calculation Agent that the courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) and that accordingly any suit, action or proceedings (together referred to as **Proceedings**) arising out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any

Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) may be brought in such courts.

- 10.3 The Issuer irrevocably waives any objection which it may have to the laying of the venue of any Proceedings in any such courts and any claim that any Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and further irrevocably agrees that a judgment in any Proceedings brought in the English courts shall be conclusive and binding upon it and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction.
- 10.4 Nothing contained in this clause shall limit any right to take Proceedings against the Issuer in any other court of competent jurisdiction, nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction, whether concurrently or not.
- 10.5 The Issuer appoints DNB Bank ASA at its registered office for the time being at 8th Floor, The Walbrook Building, 25 Walbrook, London, EC4N 8AF, England as its agent for service of process, and undertakes that, in the event of DNB Bank ASA ceasing so to act or ceasing to be registered in England, it will appoint another person, as the Calculation Agent may approve, as its agent for the service of process in England in respect of any Proceedings. Nothing in this clause shall affect the right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.
- 10.6 The Issuer irrevocably and unconditionally waives with respect to this Agreement any right to claim sovereign or other immunity from jurisdiction or execution and any similar defence and irrevocably and unconditionally consents to the giving of any relief or the issue of any process, including without limitation, the making, enforcement or execution against any property whatsoever (irrespective of its use or intended use) of any order or judgment made or given in connection with any Proceedings.

This Agreement has been entered into on the date stated at the beginning of this Agreement.

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By:

**CITIBANK N.A.**

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Without prejudice to the foregoing execution of this Agreement by the parties to it, [ ] expressly and specifically confirms its agreement with the provisions of clause 8 of this Agreement for the purposes of Article 1 of the Protocol annexed to the Convention on jurisdiction and the enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters signed at Lugano on 16th September, 1988.

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## **SCHEDULE TO THE CALCULATION AGENCY AGREEMENT**

| Series number | Issue Date | Maturity Date<br>[(if any)] | Title and Nominal<br>Amount | Annotation by<br>Calculation<br>Agent/Issuer |
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## SCHEDULE 2

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE ORDINARY NOTES

*The following are the Terms and Conditions of the Ordinary Notes (the **Ordinary Note Conditions**) which will be incorporated by reference into each Global Note (as defined below) and each Definitive Note, in the latter case only if permitted by the relevant stock exchange (if any) and agreed by the Issuer and the relevant Dealer at the time of issue but, if not so permitted and agreed, such definitive Note will have endorsed thereon or attached thereto such Ordinary Note Conditions.*

*The applicable Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) will be endorsed upon, or attached to, each Global Note and Definitive Note. Reference should be made to "Form of the Notes" for a description of the content of the Final Terms which will specify which of such terms are to apply in relation to the relevant Notes.*

The Notes are covered bonds (*obligasjoner med fortrinnsrett*) issued by SpareBank 1 Boligkreditt AS (with the parallel trade name SpareBank 1 Covered Bonds Company) (the **Issuer**) in accordance with Chapter 11, Subsection II of the Norwegian Act on Financial Undertakings and Financial Groups of 10 April 2015 No 17 (*lov 10. april 2015 nr. 17 om finansforetak og finanskonsern (finansforetaksloven)*) (the **Act**) and Chapter 11 Subsection I of the Regulations of 9 December 2016 no. 1502 on Financial Undertakings and Financial Groups (*forskrift 9. desember 2016 nr.1502 om finansforetak og finanskonsern (finansforetaksforskriften)*) (the **Regulations**). This Ordinary Note is one of a Series (as defined below) of Notes issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Agency Agreement (as defined below).

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

- (i) in relation to any Ordinary Notes represented by a global Note (a **Global Note**), units of the lowest denomination specified in the relevant Final Terms (**Specified Denomination**) in the currency specified in the relevant Final Terms (**Specified Currency**);
- (ii) any Global Note;
- (iii) any definitive Notes in bearer form (**Bearer Definitive Notes**) issued in exchange for a Global Note in bearer form; and
- (iv) any definitive Notes in registered form (**Registered Definitive Notes**) (whether or not issued in exchange for a Global Note in registered form).

The Ordinary Notes and the Coupons (as defined below) have the benefit of an Agency Agreement (such Agency Agreement, as amended and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the **Agency Agreement**) dated 30 August 2007 and made between, among others, the Issuer, Citibank, N.A., London Branch as principal paying agent (the **Principal Paying Agent**, which expression shall include any successor agent) and the other paying agents named therein (together with the Principal Paying Agent, the **Paying Agents**, which expression shall include any additional or successor paying agents), Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG as registrar (the **Registrar**, which expression shall include any additional or successor registrar), Citibank, N.A. as exchange agent (the **Exchange Agent**, which expression shall include any additional or successor exchange agent) and as transfer agent (the **Transfer Agent**, which expression shall include any additional or successor transfer agent and together with the Exchange Agent, the **Transfer Agents**).

Interest bearing Bearer Definitive Notes have interest coupons (**Coupons**) and, in the case of Notes which when issued in definitive form have more than 27 interest payments remaining, talons for further Coupons

(**Talons**) attached on issue. Any reference herein to Coupons or coupons shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be deemed to include a reference to Talons or talons. Registered Notes and Bearer Global Notes do not have Coupons or Talons attached on issue.

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

The expression **Prospectus Regulation** means Regulation (EU) 2017/1129.

Any reference to **Noteholders** or **holders** in relation to any Ordinary Notes shall mean (in the case of Bearer Notes) the holders of the Ordinary Notes and (in the case of Registered Notes) the persons in whose name the Ordinary Notes are registered and shall, in relation to any Ordinary Notes represented by a Global Note, be construed as provided below. Any reference herein to **Couponholders** shall mean the holders of the Coupons and shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include the holders of the Talons.

As used herein, **Tranche** means Ordinary Notes which are identical in all respects (including as to listing and admission to trading) and **Series** means a Tranche of Notes together with any further Tranche or Tranches of Notes which (i) are expressed to be consolidated and form a single series and (ii) have the same terms and conditions or terms and conditions which are the same in all respects save for the amount and date of the first payment of interest thereon and the date from which interest starts to accrue.

The Ordinary Noteholders and the Couponholders are entitled to the benefit of the Deed of Covenant (such Deed of Covenant, as amended and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the **Deed of Covenant**) dated 30 August 2007 and made by the Issuer. The original of the Deed of Covenant is held by the common depositary for Euroclear (as defined below) and Clearstream, Luxembourg (as defined below).

Copies of the Agency Agreement and the Deed of Covenant are available during normal business hours at the specified office of each of the Principal Paying Agent, the Registrar, the other Paying Agents and the Transfer Agents (together referred to as the **Agents**). Copies of the applicable Final Terms are available for viewing at the specified registered office of each of the Issuer and of the Principal Paying Agent. If the Ordinary Notes are to be admitted to trading on a regulated market of the Irish Stock Exchange plc trading as Euronext Dublin (**Euronext Dublin**) the applicable Final Terms will be published on the website of Euronext Dublin ([www.ise.ie](http://www.ise.ie)). If this Ordinary Note is neither admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area nor offered in the European Economic Area in circumstances where a prospectus is required to be published under the Prospectus Regulation, the applicable Final Terms will only be obtainable by an Ordinary Noteholder holding one or more such Ordinary Notes and such Ordinary Noteholder must produce evidence satisfactory to the Issuer and the relevant Paying Agent as to its holding of such Ordinary Notes and identity. The Ordinary Noteholders and the Couponholders are deemed to have notice of, and are entitled to the benefit of, all the provisions of the Agency Agreement, the Deed of Covenant and the applicable Final Terms which are applicable to them. The statements in these Ordinary Note Conditions include summaries of, and are subject to, the detailed provisions of the Agency Agreement.

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



## 1. FORM, DENOMINATION AND TITLE

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

Bearer Notes may not be exchanged for Registered Notes or any other form of note issued by the Issuer, and vice versa.

This Ordinary Note may be a Fixed Rate Note or a Floating Rate Note, depending upon the Interest Basis shown in the applicable Final Terms.

This Ordinary Note may be a combination of any of the foregoing, depending on the Redemption/Payment Basis shown in the applicable Final Terms.

The applicable Final Terms will specify that a Bearer Global Note will be exchangeable (free of charge), in whole but not in part, for Bearer Definitive Notes with, where applicable interest coupons and talons attached only upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event. A Registered Global Note will be exchangeable (free of charge), in whole but not in part, for Registered Definitive Notes without interest coupons or talons attached only upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event.

**Exchange Event** means that (i) in the case of Bearer Global Notes and Registered Global Notes registered in the name of a nominee for a common depositary or in the name of a common safekeeper for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, the Issuer has been notified that both Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg have been closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or have announced an intention permanently to cease business or have in fact done so and no successor clearing system is available, or (ii) in the case of Registered Global Notes registered in the name of a nominee for DTC, either DTC has notified the Issuer that it is unwilling or unable to act as depositary for the Notes and no alternative clearing system is available or DTC has ceased to constitute a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act, and no alternative clearing system is available, or (iii) in the case of both Bearer Global Notes and Registered Global Notes, the Issuer has or will become subject to adverse tax consequences which would not be suffered were the Notes represented by the Global Note in definitive form. The Issuer will promptly give notice to Noteholders of each Series of Bearer Global Notes in accordance with Condition 12 below if an Exchange Event occurs. In the event of the occurrence of an Exchange Event, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg (acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in such Permanent Global Note) or the Issuer may give notice to the Principal Paying Agent requesting exchange and, in the event of the occurrence of an Exchange Event as described in (ii) above, the Issuer may also give notice to the Principal Paying Agent or Registrar requesting exchange. Any such exchange shall occur not later than 45 days after the date of receipt of the first relevant notice by the Principal Paying Agent.

Bearer Definitive Notes are issued with Coupons attached. Bearer Definitive Notes will also be issued with Talons attached, if applicable and specified in the Final Terms.

Subject as set out below, title to the Bearer Notes and Coupons will pass by delivery and title to the Registered Notes upon registration of transfers in accordance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement. The Issuer, the Registrar, any Transfer Agent and any Paying Agent will (except as otherwise required by law) deem and treat the bearer of any Bearer Note or Coupon and the registered holder of any Registered Note as the absolute owner thereof (whether or not overdue and notwithstanding any notice of ownership or writing thereon or notice of any previous loss or theft

thereof) for all purposes but, in the case of any Global Note, without prejudice to the provisions set out in the next succeeding paragraph.

For so long as any of the Ordinary Notes is represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. (**Euroclear**) and/or Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme* (**Clearstream, Luxembourg**), each person (other than Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or of Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the holder of a particular nominal amount of such Ordinary Notes (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as to the nominal amount of such Notes standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer, Principal Paying Agent, and any other Paying Agents as the holder of such nominal amount of such Ordinary Notes for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest on such nominal amount of such Ordinary Notes, for which purpose, in the case of Notes represented by a Bearer Global Note, the bearer of the relevant Bearer Global Note or, in the case of a Registered Global Note, the registered holder of the relevant Registered Global Note shall be treated by the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent and any other Paying Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes in accordance with and subject to the terms of the relevant Bearer Global Note or Registered Global Note, as the case may be, and the expressions **Noteholders** and **holder of Notes** and related expressions shall be construed accordingly. Notes which are represented by a Bearer Global Note or a Registered Global Note will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, and/or DTC, as the case may be.

For so long as the DTC or its nominee is the registered owner or holder of a Registered Global Note, DTC or such nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the Notes represented by such Registered Global Note for all purposes under the Agency Agreement and the Notes except to the extent that in accordance with DTC's published rules and procedures any ownership rights may be exercised by its participants or beneficial owners through participants.

References to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or DTC shall, whenever the context so permits, except in relation to Notes in NGN form, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## **2. STATUS OF THE ORDINARY NOTES AND OVERCOLLATERALISATION**

### *(a) Status of the Ordinary Notes*

The Ordinary Notes of each Tranche constitute unconditional and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* with all other outstanding unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer that have been provided equivalent priority of claim to the Cover Pool in accordance with the terms of the Act and the Regulations.

### *(b) Overcollateralisation*

For so long as the Notes are outstanding, the value (as calculated in accordance with the Act and the Regulations) of the Cover Pool (as defined below) entered into the Register (as defined below) with respect to the Notes as well as any other covered bonds issued by the Issuer and derivative contracts having recourse to such Cover Pool shall at all times be a minimum of 102 per cent. of the outstanding principal amount of the Notes and any other covered bonds issued by the Issuer having recourse to such Cover Pool (taking into account the effect of the relevant derivative contracts) (**Overcollateralisation**).

To the extent a higher level of minimum overcollateralisation is stipulated to apply by any applicable Norwegian legislation from time to time, such a level of overcollateralisation shall be the minimum level of Overcollateralisation required to be maintained by the Issuer pursuant to this Condition 2(b).

There is no obligation for the Issuer to maintain any particular rating in respect of the Ordinary Notes throughout the term of the Notes or select a higher Overcollateralisation percentage in order to maintain a rating. In particular, if any of the credit ratings assigned to the Notes are reduced, removed, suspended or placed on credit watch, the Issuer shall not be obliged to select a higher Overcollateralisation percentage. For the avoidance of doubt, recourse to the Cover Pool, and any additional overcollateralisation in the Cover Pool, is available for *inter alios* all Noteholders (including holders of existing Notes and new Notes) and counterparties to any relevant derivative contracts.

### 3. INTEREST

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

Each Fixed Rate Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date at the rate(s) per annum equal to the Rate(s) of Interest. Interest will be payable in arrear on the Interest Payment Date(s) in each year up to (and including) the Maturity Date.

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

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

If interest is required to be calculated for a period other than a Fixed Interest Period, such interest shall be calculated by applying the Rate of Interest to each Specified Denomination, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention.

In these Ordinary Note Conditions:

**Day Count Fraction** means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest in accordance with this Condition 3(a):

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

- (B) in the case of Ordinary Notes where the Accrual Period is longer than the Determination Period during which the Accrual Period ends, the sum of:
- (1) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the Determination Period in which the Accrual Period begins divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Dates (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) that would occur in one calendar year; and
  - (2) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the next Determination Period divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Dates that would occur in one calendar year; and
- (ii) if "30/360" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the period from (and including) the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the relevant payment date (such number of days being calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months) divided by 360;

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

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

(b) *Interest on Floating Rate Notes*

(i) *Interest Payment Dates*

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

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

Such interest will be payable in respect of each Interest Period (which expression shall, in these Ordinary Note Conditions, mean the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date).

If a Business Day Convention is specified in the applicable Final Terms and (x) if there is no numerically corresponding day on the calendar month in which an Interest Payment Date

should occur or (y) if any Interest Payment Date would otherwise fall on a day which is not a Business Day, then, if the Business Day Convention specified is:

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

In these Ordinary Note Conditions, **Business Day** means a day which is both:

- (A) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in each Business Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (B) either (1) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (if other than the place of presentation, any Business Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms) or (2) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System (the **TARGET2 System**) is open.

(ii) *Rate of Interest*

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

(A) *ISDA Determination for Floating Rate Notes*

Where ISDA Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will be the relevant ISDA Rate plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any). For the purposes of this subparagraph (A), **ISDA Rate** for an Interest Period means a rate equal to the Floating Rate that would be determined by the Principal Paying Agent under an interest rate

swap transaction if the Principal Paying Agent were acting as Calculation Agent for that swap transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the 2006 ISDA Definitions, as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. and as amended and updated as at the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes (the **ISDA Definitions**) and under which:

- (1) the Floating Rate Option is as specified in the applicable Final Terms;
- (2) the Designated Maturity is a period specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (3) the relevant Reset Date is as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

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

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

(B) *Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Notes not referencing Compounded Daily SONIA*

Where Screen Rate Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, and unless the Reference Rate in respect of the relevant Series of Floating Rate Notes is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Compounded Daily SONIA”, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject to Condition 3(d) and as provided below, be either:

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

(expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate which appears or appear, as the case may be, on the Relevant Screen Page (or such replacement page on that service which displays the information) as at 11.00 a.m. (local time in the relevant financial centre specified in the applicable Final Terms) on the Interest Determination Date in question plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Principal Paying 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 Principal Paying Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of such offered quotations.

The Agency Agreement contains provisions for determining the Rate of Interest in the event that the Relevant Screen Page is not available or if, in the case of (1) above, no such offered quotation appears or, in the case of (2) above, fewer than three such offered quotations appear, in each case as at the time specified in the preceding paragraph.

(C) *Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Notes referencing Compounded Daily SONIA*

Where Screen Rate Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, and the Reference Rate in respect of the relevant Series of Floating Rate Notes is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Compounded Daily SONIA”, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Accrual Period will, subject as provided below, be Compounded Daily SONIA with respect to such Interest Accrual Period plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the applicable Margin.

**Compounded Daily SONIA** means, with respect to an Interest Period, the rate of return of a daily compound interest investment during the Interest Period (with the daily Sterling overnight reference rate as the reference rate for the calculation of interest) as calculated by the Principal Paying Agent as at the relevant Interest Determination Date in accordance with the following formula (and the resulting percentage will be rounded, if necessary, to the nearest fourth decimal place, with 0.00005% being rounded upwards):

$$\left[ \prod_{i=1}^{d_0} \left( 1 + \frac{\text{SONIA}_{i-\text{PLED}} \times n_i}{365} \right) - 1 \right] \times \frac{365}{d}$$

**d** is (i) where in the applicable Final Terms "Lag" or "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method, the number of calendar days in the relevant Interest Accrual Period or (ii) where in the applicable Final Terms "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method, the number of calendar days in the relevant Observation Period;;

**d<sub>0</sub>** is (i) where in the applicable Final Terms "Lag" or "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method, the number of London Banking Days in the relevant Interest Accrual Period or (ii) where in the applicable Final Terms "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method, for any Observation Period, the number of London Banking Days in the relevant Observation Period;;

**i** is a series of whole numbers from one to d<sub>0</sub>, each representing the relevant London Banking Day in chronological order from, and including, the first London Banking Day (i) where in the applicable Final Terms "Lag" or "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method, the relevant Interest Accrual Period or (ii) where in the applicable Final Terms "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method, the relevant Observation Period;

**London Banking Day** or **LBD** means any day on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in London;

**n<sub>i</sub>**, for any London Banking Day means the number of calendar days from (and including) such London Banking Day "i" up to (but excluding) the following London Banking Day;

**Observation Period** means the period from (and including) the date falling “p” London Banking Days prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Accrual Period to

(but excluding) the date falling “*p*” London Banking Days prior to (A) (in the case of an Interest Period) the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period or (B) (in the case of any other Interest Accrual Period) the date on which the relevant payment of interest falls due;

*p* is the number of London Banking Days by which an Observation Period precedes the corresponding Interest Accrual Period, being the number of London Banking Days specified as the “SONIA Lag Period (*p*)” in the applicable Final Terms (or, if no such number is so specified, five London Banking Days);

the **SONIA reference rate**, in respect of any London Banking Day (**LBD<sub>x</sub>**), is a reference rate equal to the daily Sterling Overnight Index Average (**SONIA**) rate for such LBD<sub>x</sub> as provided by the administrator of SONIA to authorised distributors and as then published on the Relevant Screen Page (or, if the Relevant Screen Page is unavailable, as otherwise published by such authorised distributors) on the London Banking Day immediately following LBD<sub>x</sub>; and

**SONIA<sub>i-pLBD</sub>** means (i) where in the applicable Final Terms “Lag” is specified as the Observation Method, in respect of any London Banking Day falling in the relevant Interest Accrual Period, the SONIA reference rate for the London Business Day falling “*p*” London Business Days prior to such day or (ii) where in the applicable Final Terms “Shift” or “Lock-out” is specified as the Observation Method, SONIA<sub>i</sub>, where SONIA<sub>i</sub> is, in respect of any London Banking Day “*i*” falling in the relevant Observation Period, the SONIA reference rate for such day.

If, in respect of any London Banking Day in the relevant Observation Period, the applicable SONIA reference rate is not made available on the Relevant Screen Page or has not otherwise been published by the relevant authorised distributors, then (unless the Principal Paying Agent (or other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms) has been notified of any Successor Rate or Alternative Rate (and any related Adjustment Spread and/or Benchmark Amendments) pursuant to Condition 3(d), if applicable) the SONIA reference rate in respect of such London Banking Day shall be: (i) the Bank of England’s Bank Rate (the **Bank Rate**) prevailing at close of business on the relevant London Banking Day; plus (ii) the mean of the spread of the SONIA reference rate to the Bank Rate over the previous five London Banking Days on which a SONIA reference rate has been published, excluding the highest spread (or, if there is more than one highest spread, one only of those highest spreads) and lowest spread (or, if there is more than one lowest spread, one only of those lowest spreads).

Notwithstanding the paragraph above, in the event of the Bank of England publishing guidance on (i) how the SONIA rate is to be determined or (ii) any rate that is to replace the SONIA rate, the Principal Paying Agent shall, in consultation with the Issuer, follow such guidance in order to determine the SONIA rate, for the purposes of the Notes, for so long as the SONIA rate is not available or has not been published by the authorised distributors.

In the event that the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions, the Rate of Interest shall be:

- (1) that determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin, Maximum Rate of Interest and/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, Maximum Rate of Interest and/or Minimum Rate of Interest (as the case may be) relating to the relevant Interest Accrual Period, in place of the Margin, Maximum Rate of Interest and/or Minimum Rate of Interest (as applicable) relating to that last preceding Interest Accrual Period); or

- (2) if there is no such preceding Interest Determination Date, the initial Rate of Interest which would have been applicable to such Series of Notes for the first scheduled Interest Period had the Notes been in issue for a period equal in duration to the first scheduled Interest Period but ending on (and excluding) the Interest Commencement Date (applying the Margin and, if applicable, any Maximum Rate of Interest and/or Minimum Rate of Interest, applicable to the first scheduled Interest Period).

As used herein, an **Interest Accrual Period** means (i) each Interest Period and (ii) any other period (if any) in respect of which interest is to be calculated, being the period from (and including) the first day of such period to (but excluding) the day on which the relevant payment of interest falls due

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

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

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

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

The Principal Paying Agent will, at or as soon as practicable after each time at which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, determine the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period.

The Principal Paying Agent will calculate the amount of interest (the **Interest Amount**) payable on the Floating Rate in Notes respect of each Specified Denomination for the relevant Interest Period. Each Interest Amount shall be calculated by applying the Rate of Interest to each Specified Denomination, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention.

**Day Count Fraction** means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest for any Interest Period:

- (A) if "Actual/Actual (ISDA)" or "Actual/Actual" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of that Interest Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (I) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a leap year divided by

366, and (II) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);

- (B) if "Actual/365 (Fixed)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365;
- (C) if "Actual/365 (Sterling)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365 or, in the case of an Interest Payment Date falling in a leap year, 366;
- (D) if "Actual/360" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360;
- (E) if "30/360", "360/360" or "Bond Basis" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

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

where:

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

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

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

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

"D<sub>1</sub>" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless such number is 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 Interest Period, unless such number would be 31 and D<sub>1</sub> is greater than 29, in which case D<sub>2</sub> will be 30;

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

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

where:

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

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

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

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

"D<sub>1</sub>" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless 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 Interest Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>2</sub> will be 30; or

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

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

where:

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

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

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

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

"D<sub>1</sub>" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February, or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D<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 Interest Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February but not the Maturity Date, or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>2</sub> will be 30.

(v) *Linear Interpolation*

Where Linear Interpolation is specified as applicable in respect of an Interest Period in the applicable Final Terms, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be calculated by the Agent by straight line linear interpolation by reference to two rates based on the relevant Reference Rate (where Screen Rate Determination is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) or the relevant Floating Rate Option (where ISDA Determination is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms), one of which shall be determined as if the Designated Maturity were the period of time for which rates are available next shorter

than the length of the relevant Interest Period and the other of which shall be determined as if the Designated Maturity were the period of time for which rates are available next longer than the length of the relevant Interest Period provided however that if there is no rate available for a period of time next shorter or, as the case may be, next longer, then the Agent shall determine such rate at such time and by reference to such sources as it determines appropriate.

**Designated Maturity** means, in relation to Screen Rate Determination, the period of time designated in the Reference Rate.

(vi) *Certificates to be final*

All certificates, communications, opinions, determinations, calculations, quotations and decisions given, expressed, made or obtained for the purposes of the provisions of this Condition 3, whether by the Principal Paying Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent, shall (in the absence of wilful default, bad faith or manifest error) be binding on the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent, the Calculation Agent (if applicable), the other Paying Agents and all Ordinary Noteholders and Couponholders and (in the absence as aforesaid) no liability to the Issuer, the Ordinary Noteholders or the Couponholders shall attach to the Principal Paying Agent or the Calculation Agent (if applicable) in connection with the exercise or non-exercise by it of its powers, duties and discretions pursuant to such provisions.

(c) *Accrual of interest*

Each Ordinary Note (or in the case of the redemption of part only of an Ordinary Note, that part only of such Ordinary Note) will cease to bear interest (if any) from the date for its redemption unless, upon due presentation thereof, payment of principal is improperly withheld or refused. In such event, interest will continue to accrue until whichever is the earlier of:

- (i) the date on which all amounts due in respect of such Ordinary Note have been paid; and
- (ii) five days after the date on which the full amount of the monies payable in respect of such Ordinary Note has been received by the Principal Paying Agent and notice to that effect has been given to the Ordinary Noteholders in accordance with Condition 12 below.

(d) *Benchmark Discontinuation*

This Condition 3(d) applies only if “*Benchmark Replacement*” is specified to be “Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms.

If a Benchmark Event occurs in relation to an Original Reference Rate at any time when the Terms and Conditions of any Notes provide for any remaining Rate of Interest (or any component part thereof) to be determined by reference to such Original Reference Rate, then the following provisions apply:

(i) *Independent Adviser*

The Issuer shall use reasonable endeavours to appoint and consult with an Independent Adviser, as soon as reasonably practicable, with a view to the Issuer determining a Successor Rate, failing that an Alternative Rate (in accordance with Condition 3(d)(ii)(B)) and, in either case, an Adjustment Spread, if any (in accordance with Condition 3(d)(iii) and any Benchmark Amendments (in accordance with Condition 3(d)(iv)).

An Independent Adviser appointed pursuant to this Condition 3(d) shall act in good faith as an expert and (in the absence of bad faith or fraud) shall have no liability whatsoever to the Principal Paying Agent, any other party responsible for determining the Rate of Interest specified in the applicable Final Terms, or the Noteholders or Couponholders for any determination made by it or for any advice given to the Issuer in connection with any determination made by the Issuer pursuant to this Condition 3(d).

(ii) *Successor or Alternative Rate*

If the Issuer, following consultation with such Independent Adviser, determines in good faith that:

- (A) there is a Successor Rate, then such Successor Rate, as adjusted by the applicable Adjustment Spread determined pursuant to Condition 3(d)(iii), shall subsequently be used in place of the Original Reference Rate to determine the relevant Rate(s) of Interest (or the relevant component part(s) thereof) for all relevant future payments of interest on the Notes (subject to the further operation of this Condition 3(d)); or
- (B) there is no Successor Rate but that there is an Alternative Rate, then such Alternative Rate, as adjusted by the applicable Adjustment Spread determined pursuant to Condition 3(d)(iii), shall subsequently be used in place of the Original Reference Rate to determine the relevant Rate(s) of Interest (or the relevant component part(s) thereof) for all relevant future payments of interest on the Notes (subject to the further operation of this Condition 3(d)).

(iii) *Adjustment Spread*

If a Successor Rate or Alternative Rate is determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions and if the Issuer, following consultation with the Independent Adviser, determines in good faith (i) that an Adjustment Spread is required to be applied to the Successor Rate or the Alternative Rate (as the case may be) and (ii) the quantum of, or a formula or methodology for determining, such Adjustment Spread, then such Adjustment Spread shall be applied to the Successor Rate or the Alternative Rate (as the case may be) for each subsequent determination of a relevant Rate of Interest (or a relevant component part thereof) by reference to such Successor Rate or Alternative Rate (as applicable).

(iv) *Benchmark Amendments*

If any Successor Rate or Alternative Rate and (in either case) the applicable Adjustment Spread is determined in accordance with this Condition 3(d) and the Issuer, following consultation with the Independent Adviser determines in good faith (A) that amendments to the Terms and Conditions of the Notes and/or the Agency Agreement (including, without limitation, amendments to the definitions of Day Count Fraction, Business Days, Reset Determination Date, or Relevant Screen Page) are necessary to ensure the proper operation of such Successor Rate or Alternative Rate and (in either case) the applicable Adjustment Spread (such amendments, the **Benchmark Amendments**) and (B) the terms of the Benchmark Amendments, then the Issuer shall, subject to giving notice thereof in accordance with Condition 3(d)(v), without any requirement for the consent or approval of Noteholders or Couponholders, vary the Terms and Conditions of the Notes and/or the Agency Agreement to give effect to such Benchmark Amendments with effect from the date specified in such notice, provided that the Principal Paying Agent shall not be obliged to give effect to such Benchmark Amendments if in the sole opinion of the Principal Paying Agent doing so would impose more onerous obligations upon it or expose it to any

additional duties, responsibilities or liabilities or reduce or amend rights and/or the protective provisions afforded to the Principal Paying Agent in the Terms and Conditions of the Notes or the Agency Agreement (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any supplemental deed or agreement) in any way.

In connection with any such variation in accordance with this Condition 3(d), the Issuer shall comply with the rules of any stock exchange on which the Notes are for the time being listed or admitted to trading.

(v) *Notices, etc.*

The Issuer shall notify the Principal Paying Agent, the party responsible for determining the Rate of Interest (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) the Paying Agents and, in accordance with Condition 12, the Noteholders, promptly of any Successor Rate, Alternative Rate, Adjustment Spread and the specific terms of any Benchmark Amendments, determined under this Condition 3(d). Such notice shall be irrevocable and shall specify the effective date of the Benchmark Amendments, if any.

(vi) *Survival of Original Reference Rate*

Without prejudice to the Issuer's obligations under the provisions of this Condition 3(d), the Original Reference Rate and the fallback provisions provided for in Conditions 3(b) will continue to apply unless and until the party responsible for determining the Rate of Interest (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) has been notified of the Successor Rate or the Alternative Rate (as the case may be), and of any Adjustment Spread and/or Benchmark Amendments.

(vii) *Fallbacks*

If, following the occurrence of a Benchmark Event and in relation to the determination of the Rate of Interest on the immediately following Interest Determination Date, no Successor Rate or Alternative Rate (as applicable) or (in either case) applicable Adjustment Spread is determined and notified to the Principal Paying Agent or any other party specified in the applicable Final Terms as being responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest (as applicable), in each case pursuant to this Condition 3(d), prior to such Interest Determination Date, the original benchmark or screen rate (as applicable) will continue to apply for the purposes of determining such Rate of Interest on such Interest Determination Date, with the effect that the fallback provisions provided elsewhere in these Terms and Conditions will continue to apply to such determination.

In such circumstances, the Issuer will be entitled (but not obliged), at any time thereafter, to elect to re-apply the provisions of this Condition 3(d), *mutatis mutandis*, on one or more occasions until a Successor Rate or Alternative Rate (and, if applicable, any associated Adjustment Spread and/or Benchmark Amendments) has been determined and notified in accordance with this Condition 3(d) (and, until such determination and notification (if any), the fallback provisions provided elsewhere in these Terms and Conditions will continue to apply).

(viii) *Definitions*

In this Condition 3(d):

**Adjustment Spread** means either (i) a spread (which may be positive or negative), or (ii) a formula or methodology for calculating a spread, in either case which is to be applied to the

relevant Successor Rate or Alternative Rate (as applicable) and is the spread, formula or methodology which:

- (A) in the case of a Successor Rate, is formally recommended, or formally provided as an option for parties to adopt, in relation to the replacement of the Original Reference Rate with the Successor Rate by any Relevant Nominating Body;
- (B) in the case of an Alternative Rate (or in the case of a Successor Rate where (A) above does not apply), the Issuer following consultation with the Independent Adviser and acting in good faith determines is recognised or acknowledged as being in customary market usage in the international debt capital market for transactions which reference the Original Reference Rate, where such rate has been replaced by the Alternative Rate (or, as the case may be, the Successor Rate); or
- (C) if no such recommendation or option has been made (or made available), or the Issuer determines there is no such spread, formula or methodology in customary market usage, the Issuer, in its discretion, following consultation with the Independent Adviser and acting in good faith, determines to be appropriate having regard to the objective, so far as is reasonably practicable in the circumstances, of reducing or eliminating any economic prejudice or benefit (as the case may be) to Noteholders or Couponholders as a result of the replacement of the Original Reference Rate with the Successor Rate or the Alternative Rate (as the case may be);

**Alternative Rate** means an alternative benchmark or screen rate which the Issuer, following consultation with the Independent Adviser determines in accordance with this Condition 3(d) has replaced the Original Reference Rate in customary market usage in the international debt capital markets for the purposes of determining rates of interest (or the relevant component part thereof) for a commensurate interest period and in the same Specified Currency as the Notes;

**Benchmark Event** means, with respect to an Original Reference Rate:

- (A) the Original Reference Rate ceasing to be published for at least five Business Days or ceasing to exist or administered;
- (B) the later of (i) the making of a public statement by the administrator of the Original Reference Rate that it will, on or before a specified date, cease publishing the Original Reference Rate permanently or indefinitely (in circumstances where no successor administrator has been appointed that will continue publication of the Original Reference Rate) and (ii) the date falling six months prior to the date specified in (B)(i);
- (C) the making of a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the Original Reference Rate that the Original Reference Rate has been permanently or indefinitely discontinued;
- (D) the later of (i) the making of a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the Original Reference Rate that the Original Reference Rate will, on or before a specified date, be permanently or indefinitely discontinued and (ii) the date falling six months prior to the date specified in (D)(i);
- (E) the later of (i) the making of a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the Original Reference Rate that means the Original Reference Rate will be prohibited from being used or that its use will be subject to restrictions or

adverse consequences, in each case on or before a specified date and (ii) the date falling six months prior to the date referred to in (E)(i);

- (F) it is or will prior to the next Interest Determination Date become unlawful for the Issuer, the party responsible for determining the Rate of Interest (as specified in the applicable Final Terms), or any Paying Agent to calculate any payments due to be made to any Noteholder or Couponholder using the Original Reference Rate (including, without limitation, under the Benchmarks Regulation (EU) 2016/1011, if applicable); or
- (G) the making of a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of such Original Reference Rate announcing that such Original Reference Rate is no longer representative or may no longer be used;

**Independent Adviser** means an independent financial institution of international repute or an independent adviser of recognised standing with appropriate expertise appointed by the Issuer at its own expense under Condition 3(d)(i).

**Original Reference Rate** means the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable) originally specified for the purpose of determining the relevant Rate of Interest (or any relevant component part(s) thereof) on the Notes (provided that if, following one or more Benchmark Events, such originally specified Reference Rate (or any Successor Rate or Alternative Rate which has replaced it) has been replaced by a (or a further) Successor Rate or Alternative Rate and a Benchmark Event subsequently occurs in respect of such Successor Rate or Alternative Rate, the term “Original Reference Rate” shall be deemed to include any such Successor Rate or Alternative Rate);

**Relevant Nominating Body** means, in respect of a benchmark or screen rate (as applicable):

- (A) the central bank for the currency to which the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable) relates, or any central bank or other supervisory authority which is responsible for supervising the administrator of the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable); or
- (B) any working group or committee sponsored by, chaired or co-chaired by or constituted at the request of (i) the central bank for the currency to which the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable) relates, (ii) any central bank or other supervisory authority which is responsible for supervising the administrator of the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable), (iii) a group of the aforementioned central banks or other supervisory authorities or (iv) the Financial Stability Board or any part thereof; and

**Successor Rate** means a successor to or replacement of the Original Reference Rate which is formally recommended by any Relevant Nominating Body.

#### 4. PAYMENTS

##### (a) *Method of payment*

Subject as provided below:

- (i) payments in a Specified Currency other than euro will be made by credit or transfer to an account in the relevant Specified Currency maintained by the payee with, or, at the option of



the payee, by a cheque in such Specified Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Specified Currency; and

- (ii) payments in euro will be made by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque.

In the case of Bearer Notes, payments in U.S. dollars will be made by transfer to a U.S. dollar account maintained by the payee with a bank outside of the United States (which expression, as used in this Condition 4, means the United States of America, including the States and the District of Columbia, its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction), or by cheque drawn on a United States bank. All payments in respect of Bearer Notes will be made to accounts located outside the United States, or by cheque mailed to an address outside of the United States, except as may be permitted by United States tax law in effect at the time of such payment without detriment to the Issuer.

Payments will be subject in all cases to any fiscal or other laws and regulations applicable thereto in the place of payment or other laws to which the Issuer agrees to be subject and the Issuer will not be liable for any taxes or duties of whatever nature imposed or levied by such laws, regulations, directives or agreements, but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 6 below. Reference to specified currency will include any successor currency under applicable law.

*(b) Presentation of Bearer Definitive Notes and Coupons*

Payments of principal and interest (if any) in respect of Bearer Definitive Notes will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner provided in paragraph (a) above only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of Bearer Definitive Notes, and payments of interest in respect of Bearer Definitive Notes will (subject as provided below) be made as aforesaid only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of Coupons, in each case at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States (which expression, as used herein, means the United States of America, (including the States and the District of Columbia, its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction)).

Fixed Rate Notes in definitive bearer form (other than Long Maturity Notes (as defined below)) should be presented for payment together with all unmatured Coupons appertaining thereto (which expression shall for this purpose include Coupons falling to be issued on exchange of matured Talons), failing which the amount of any missing unmatured Coupon (or, in the case of payment not being made in full, the same proportion of the amount of such missing unmatured Coupon as the sum so paid bears to the sum due) will be deducted from the sum due for payment. Each amount of principal so deducted will be paid in the manner mentioned above against surrender of the relative missing Coupon at any time before the expiry of ten years after the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 17 below) in respect of such principal (whether or not such Coupon would otherwise have become void under Condition 7 below) or, if later, five years from the date on which such Coupon would otherwise have become due, but in no event thereafter.

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

Upon the date on which any Floating Rate Note or Long Maturity Note in definitive bearer form becomes due and repayable, unmatured Coupons and Talons (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment or, as the case may be, exchange for further Coupons

shall be made in respect thereof. A **Long Maturity Note** is a Fixed Rate Note (other than a Fixed Rate Note which on issue had a Talon attached) whose nominal amount on issue is less than the aggregate interest payable thereon provided that such Note shall cease to be a Long Maturity Note on the Interest Payment Date on which the aggregate amount of interest remaining to be paid after that date is less than the nominal amount of such Note.

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

(c) *Payments in respect of Bearer Global Notes*

Payments of principal and interest (if any) in respect of Ordinary Notes represented by any Bearer Global Note will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner specified above in relation to Bearer Definitive Notes and otherwise in the manner specified in the relevant Bearer Global Note against presentation or surrender, as the case may be, of such Global Note at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States. On the occasion of each payment, (i) in the case of any Global Note which is not issued in new global note (NGN) form, a record of such payment made on such Global Note, distinguishing between any payment of principal and any payment of interest, will be made on such Global Note by the Principal Paying Agent, and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made, and (ii) in the case of any Global Note which is a NGN, the Principal Paying Agent shall instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such payment.

(d) *Payments in respect of Registered Notes*

Payments of principal in respect of each Registered Note (whether or not in global form) will be made against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of the Registered Note at the specified office of the Registrar or any of the Paying Agents. Such payments will be made by transfer to the Designated Account (as defined below) of the holder (or the first named of joint holders) of the Registered Note appearing in the register of holders of the Registered Notes maintained by the Registrar (the **Register**) at the close of business on the third business day (being for this purpose a day on which banks are open for business in the city where the specified office of the Registrar is located) before the relevant due date. Notwithstanding the previous sentence, if (i) a holder does not have a Designated Account, or (ii) the principal amount of the Registered Notes held by a holder is less than U.S.\$250,000 (or its approximate equivalent in any other Specified Currency), payment will instead be made by a cheque in the Specified Currency drawn on a Designated Bank (as defined below). For these purposes, **Designated Account** means the account (which, in the case of a payment in Japanese yen to a non-resident of Japan, shall be a non-resident account) maintained by a holder with a Designated Bank and identified as such in the Register and **Designated Bank** means (in the case of payment in a Specified Currency other than euro) a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Specified Currency and (in the case of a payment in euro) any bank which processes payments in euro.

Payments of interest and of principal in respect of each Registered Note (whether or not in global form) will be made by a cheque in the Specified Currency drawn on a Designated Bank and mailed by uninsured mail on the business day in the city where the specified office of the Registrar is located immediately preceding the relevant due date to the holder (or the first named of joint holders) of the Registered Note appearing in the Register at the close of the business day (in the ICSDs) prior to the Payment Date (the **Record Date**) at his address shown in the Register on the Record Date and at his risk. Upon application of the holder to the specified office of the Registrar

not less than three business days in the city where the specified office of the Registrar is located before the due date for any payment of interest in respect of a Registered Note, the payment may be made by transfer on the due date in the manner provided in the preceding paragraph. Any such application for transfer shall be deemed to relate to all future payments of interest (other than interest due on redemption) and of principal in respect of the Registered Notes which become payable to the holder who has made the initial application until such time as the Registrar is notified in writing to the contrary by such holder. Payment of the interest and principal due in respect of each Registered Note on redemption will be made in the same manner as payment of the principal amount of such Registered Note.

Holders of Registered Notes will not be entitled to any interest or other payment for any delay in receiving any amount due in respect of any Registered Note as a result of a cheque posted in accordance with this Condition 4 arriving after the due date for payment or being lost in the post. No commissions or expenses shall be charged to such holders by the Registrar in respect of any payments of principal or interest in respect of the Registered Notes.

All amounts payable to DTC or its nominee as registered holder of a Registered Global Note in respect of Notes denominated in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars shall be paid by transfer by the Registrar to an account in the relevant Specified Currency of the Exchange Agent on behalf of DTC or its nominee for conversion into and payment in U.S. dollars in accordance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement.

None of the Issuer or the Agents will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to, or payments made on account of, beneficial ownership interests in the Registered Global Notes or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests.

*(e) General provisions applicable to payments*

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

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

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

(f) *Payment Day*

If the date for payment of any amount in respect of any Ordinary Note or Coupon is not a Payment Day, the holder thereof shall not be entitled to payment of the relevant payment due until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of any such delay. For these purposes, **Payment Day** means any day which (subject to Condition 7 below) is:

- (i) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in any Additional Financial Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms;
- (ii) either (1) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (if other than the place of presentation, London and any Additional Financial Centre), or (2) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which the TARGET2 System is open;
- (iii) a day on which such payment is then permitted under United States law without involving adverse tax consequences to the Issuer; and
- (iv) in the case of any payment in respect of a Registered Global Note denominated in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars and registered in the name of DTC or its nominee and in respect of which an accountholder of DTC (with an interest in such Registered Global Note) has elected to receive any part of such payment in U.S. dollars, a day on which commercial banks are not authorised or required by law or regulation to be closed in New York City.

(g) *Interpretation of principal and interest*

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

- (i) the Final Redemption Amount of the Ordinary Notes;
- (ii) the Early Redemption Amount of the Ordinary Notes;
- (iii) the Optional Redemption Amount(s) (if any) of the Ordinary Notes; and
- (iv) any premium and any other amounts (other than interest) which may be payable by the Issuer under or in respect of the Ordinary Notes.

(h) *Partial Payment*

If on the Maturity Date of a Series of Notes where an Extended Final Maturity Date is specified in the applicable Final Terms the Issuer has insufficient monies to pay the Final Redemption Amount on that Series of Ordinary Notes and any other amounts due and payable by the Issuer in respect of Notes on such date, then the Issuer shall apply available monies, after having made payment of all other amounts due and payable by the Issuer in respect of Notes on such date, to redeem the relevant Series of Ordinary Notes in part at par together with accrued interest pro rata and *pari passu* with any other Series of Ordinary Notes by which an Extended Final Maturity Date is specified in the Final Terms. If more than one Series of Ordinary Notes has the same Maturity Date and the relevant Series each has an Extended Final Maturity Date specified in the applicable Final Terms then

available monies will be applied by the Issuer to partially redeem each such Series of Ordinary Notes on a pro rata basis.

(i) *Redenomination*

Where redenomination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being applicable, the Issuer may, without the consent of the Ordinary Noteholders and the Couponholders on giving prior notice to the Principal Paying Agent, Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, and/or the DTC, and at least 30 days' prior notice to the Ordinary Noteholders in accordance with Condition 12 below, elect that, with effect from the Redenomination Date specified in the notice, the Ordinary Notes shall be redenominated in euro.

The election will have effect as follows:

- (i) the Ordinary Notes shall be deemed to be redenominated in euro in the denomination of euro 0.01 with a nominal amount for each Note equal to the nominal amount of that Note in the Specified Currency, converted into euro at the Established Rate, provided that, if the Issuer determines, with the agreement of the Principal Paying Agent, that the then market practice in respect of the redenomination in euro of internationally offered securities is different from the provisions specified above, such provisions shall be deemed to be amended so as to comply with such market practice and the Issuer shall promptly notify the Ordinary Noteholders, the stock exchange (if any) on which the Ordinary Notes may be listed and the Paying Agents of such deemed amendments;
- (ii) save to the extent that an Exchange Notice has been given in accordance with paragraph (iv) below, the amount of interest due in respect of the Ordinary Notes will be calculated by reference to the aggregate nominal amount of Ordinary Notes presented (or, as the case may be, in respect of which Coupons are presented) for payment by the relevant holder and the amount of such payment shall be rounded down to the nearest euro 0.01;
- (iii) if Definitive Notes are required to be issued after the Redenomination Date, they shall be issued at the expense of the Issuer (A) in the case of Relevant Notes in the denomination of euro 100,000 and/or such higher amounts as the Principal Paying Agent may determine and notify to the Ordinary Noteholders and any remaining amounts less than euro 100,000 shall be redeemed by the Issuer and paid to the Ordinary Noteholders in euro in accordance with this Condition 4, and (B) in the case of Ordinary Notes which are not Relevant Notes, in the denominations of euro 1,000, euro 10,000, euro 50,000 and (but only to the extent of any remaining amounts less than euro 1,000 or such smaller denominations as the Principal Paying Agent may approve) euro 0.01 and such other denominations as the Principal Paying Agent shall determine and notify to the Ordinary Noteholders;
- (iv) if issued prior to the Redenomination Date, all unmatured Coupons denominated in the Specified Currency (whether or not attached to the Ordinary Notes) will become void with effect from the date on which the Issuer gives notice (the **Exchange Notice**) that replacement euro-denominated Ordinary Notes and Coupons are available for exchange (provided that such securities are so available) and no payments will be made in respect of them. The payment obligations contained in any Ordinary Notes so issued will also become void on that date although those Ordinary Notes will continue to constitute valid exchange obligations of the Issuer. New euro-denominated Ordinary Notes and Coupons will be issued in exchange for Ordinary Notes and Coupons denominated in the Specified Currency in such manner as the Principal Paying Agent may specify and as shall be notified to the Ordinary Noteholders in the Exchange Notice. No Exchange Notice may be given less than 15 days prior to any date for payment of principal or interest on the Ordinary Notes;

- (v) after the Redenomination Date, all payments in respect of the Ordinary Notes and the Coupons, other than payments of interest in respect of periods commencing before the Redenomination Date, will be made solely in euro as though references in the Notes to the Specified Currency were to euro. Payments will be made in euro by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque;
- (vi) if the Notes are Fixed Rate Notes and interest for any period ending on or after the Redenomination Date is required to be calculated for a period ending other than on an Interest Payment Date, it will be calculated:
  - (A) in the case of the Ordinary Notes represented by a Global Note, by applying the Rate of Interest to the aggregate outstanding nominal amount of the Notes; and
  - (B) in the case of Definitive Notes, by applying the Rate of Interest to the Calculation Amount,

and, in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Fixed Rate Note in definitive form comprises more than one Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Fixed Rate Note shall be the aggregate of the amounts (determined in the manner provided above) for each Calculation Amount comprising the Specified Denomination without any further rounding; and
- (vii) if the Ordinary Notes are Floating Rate Notes, the applicable Final Terms will specify any relevant changes to the provisions relating to interest.

## 5. REDEMPTION AND PURCHASE

### (a) *Redemption at maturity*

Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled as specified below, each Ordinary Note will be redeemed by the Issuer at its Final Redemption Amount (which shall be at least equal to the Nominal Amount of each Note) specified in the applicable Final Terms in the relevant Specified Currency on the Maturity Date.

If an Extended Final Maturity Date is specified as applicable in the Final Terms for a Series of Ordinary Notes and the Issuer has failed to pay the Final Redemption Amount on the Maturity Date specified in the Final Terms, then (subject as provided below) payment of the unpaid amount by the Issuer shall be deferred until the Extended Final Maturity Date, provided that any amount representing all or part of the Final Redemption Amount due and remaining unpaid on the Maturity Date may be paid by the Issuer on any Interest Payment Date occurring thereafter up to (and including) the relevant Extended Final Maturity Date.

The Issuer shall confirm to the rating agencies, any relevant Swap Provider and the Principal Paying Agent as soon as reasonably practicable, and in any event at least four business days in London prior to the Maturity Date, of any inability of the Issuer to pay in full the Final Redemption Amount in respect of a Series of Ordinary Notes on that Maturity Date. Any failure by the Issuer to notify such parties shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the extension nor give rise to any rights in any such party under the Notes.

Where the applicable Final Terms for a relevant Series of Ordinary Notes provide that such Ordinary Notes are subject to an Extended Final Maturity Date, such failure to pay by the Issuer on the Maturity Date shall not constitute a default in payment.

(b) *Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)*

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

- (i) not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice to the Ordinary Noteholders in accordance with Condition 12 below; and
- (ii) not less than 15 days before the giving of the notice referred to in (i) above, notice to the Principal Paying Agent, and to the Note Registrar,

(which notices shall be irrevocable and shall specify the date fixed for redemption), redeem all or some only of the Ordinary Notes then outstanding on any Optional Redemption Date and at the Optional Redemption Amount(s) specified in the applicable Final Terms together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the relevant Optional Redemption Date. Any such redemption must be of a nominal amount not less than the Minimum Redemption Amount or not more than the Maximum Redemption Amount, in each case as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms. In the case of a partial redemption of Ordinary Notes, the Ordinary Notes to be redeemed (**Redeemed Notes**) will be selected individually by lot, in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Ordinary Notes, and in accordance with the rules of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, (to be reflected in the records of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg as either a pool factor or a reduction in nominal amount, at their discretion) and in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by a Global Note, not more than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption (such date of selection being hereinafter called the **Selection Date**). In the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Ordinary Notes, a list of the serial numbers of such Redeemed Notes will be published in accordance with Condition 12 not less than 15 days prior to the date fixed for redemption. No exchange of the relevant Global Note will be permitted during the period from (and including) the Selection Date to (and including) the date fixed for redemption pursuant to this Condition 5(b), and notice to that effect shall be given by the Issuer to the Ordinary Noteholders in accordance with Condition 12 below at least five days prior to the Selection Date.

(c) *Redemption for Tax Reasons*

The Ordinary Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part, at any time (if the Ordinary Note is not a Floating Rate Note) or on any Interest Payment Date (if the Ordinary Note is a Floating Rate Note), on giving not less than the minimum period and not more than the maximum period of notice specified in the applicable Final Terms to the Principal Paying Agent and, in accordance with Condition 9, the Ordinary Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), if:

- (i) on the occasion of the next payment due under the Ordinary Notes, the Issuer has or will become obliged to pay additional amounts as provided or referred to in Condition 6 as a result of any change in, or amendment to, the laws or regulations of Norway or any authority therein having power to tax or any political subdivision thereof, or any change in the application or official interpretation of such laws or regulations, which change or amendment becomes effective on or after the date on which agreement is reached to issue the first Tranche of the Ordinary Notes; and
- (ii) such obligation cannot be avoided by the Issuer taking reasonable measures available to it,

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

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition, the Issuer shall deliver to the Principal Paying Agent to make available at its specified office to the Ordinary Noteholders (i) a certificate signed by two Directors of the Issuer stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer so to redeem have occurred, and (ii) an opinion of independent legal advisers of recognised standing to the effect that the Issuer has or will become obliged to pay such additional amounts as a result of such change or amendment.

Notes redeemed pursuant to this Condition 5(c) will be redeemed at their Early Redemption Amount referred to in paragraph (e) below together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption.

*(d) Redemption at the option of the Ordinary Noteholders (Investor Put)*

If Investor Put is specified in the applicable Final Terms, upon any Ordinary Noteholder giving to the Issuer in accordance with Condition 12 below not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice, the Issuer will, upon the expiry of such notice, redeem, subject to, and in accordance with, the terms specified in the applicable Final Terms, such Note on the Optional Redemption Date and at the Early Redemption Amount together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the Optional Redemption Date.

To exercise the right to require redemption of this Ordinary Note, the holder of this Ordinary Note must deliver (at the specified office of any Paying Agent in the case of Bearer Notes, or any Transfer Agent or the Registrar in the case of Registered Notes) such Note(s) at any time during the normal business hours of such Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent or the Registrar falling within the notice period, accompanied by a duly completed and signed notice of exercise in the form (for the time being current) obtainable from any specified office of any Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent or the Registrar (a **Put Notice**) and in which the holder must specify a bank account (or, if payment is required to be made by cheque, an address) to which payment is to be made under this Condition. If this Ordinary Note is in definitive form, this Ordinary Note or evidence satisfactory to the Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or the Registrar concerned that this Ordinary Note will, following delivery of the Put Notice, be held to its order or under its control.

Any Put Notice given by a holder of any Ordinary Note pursuant to this paragraph shall be irrevocable.

*(e) Early Redemption Amounts*

For the purpose of paragraphs (a) and (c) above, each Ordinary Note will be redeemed at the Early Redemption Amount calculated as follows:

- (i) in the case of an Ordinary Note with a Final Redemption Amount equal to the Issue Price of the first Tranche of the Series, at the Final Redemption Amount thereof; or
- (ii) in the case of an Ordinary Note with a Final Redemption Amount which is or may be less or greater than the Issue Price of the first Tranche of the Series, at the amount specified in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such amount or manner is so specified in the applicable Final Terms, at its nominal amount.

*(f) Purchases*



The Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer may at any time purchase Ordinary Notes (provided that, in the case of Bearer Definitive Notes, all unmatured Coupons and Talons appertaining thereto are purchased therewith) at any price in the open market or otherwise. Such Ordinary Notes may be held, reissued, resold or, at the option of the Issuer, surrendered to any Paying Agent and/or the Registrar for cancellation.

(g) *Cancellation*

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

## 6. TAXATION

All payments of principal and interest in respect of the Ordinary Notes and Coupons by or on behalf of the Issuer will be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature imposed or levied by or on behalf of any Tax Jurisdiction unless such withholding or deduction is required by law. In such event, the Issuer will pay such additional amounts as shall be necessary in order that the net amounts received by the holders of the Ordinary Notes after such withholding or deduction shall equal the respective amounts of principal and interest which would otherwise have been receivable in respect of the Ordinary Notes, as the case may be, in the absence of such withholding or deduction; except that no such additional amounts shall be payable with respect to any Ordinary Note:

- (i) presented for payment in Norway; or
- (ii) the holder of which is liable for such taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges in respect of such Ordinary Note by reason of his having some connection with a Tax Jurisdiction other than the mere holding of such Ordinary Note; or
- (iii) presented for payment more than 30 days after the Relevant Date (as defined below) except to the extent that the holder thereof would have been entitled to an additional amount on presenting the same for payment on such thirtieth day assuming that day to have been a Payment Day (as defined in Condition 4(c)).

As used herein,

**Tax Jurisdiction** means the Kingdom of Norway or any political subdivision or any authority thereof or therein having power to tax; and

**Relevant Date** means the date on which such payment first becomes due, except that, if the full amount of the moneys payable has not been duly received by the Ordinary Noteholders on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which, the full amount of such moneys having been so received, notice to that effect is duly given to the Ordinary Noteholders in accordance with Condition 9.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Ordinary Note Conditions, any amounts to be paid on the Ordinary Notes by or on behalf of the Issuer will be paid net of any deduction or withholding imposed or required pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code (the **Code**), as amended, any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof, any agreement entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b) of the Code, or any fiscal or regulatory legislation, rules or practices adopted pursuant to any intergovernmental agreement entered into in

connection with the implementation of such Sections of the Code (or any law implementing such an intergovernmental agreement) (a **FATCA Withholding Tax**). Neither the Issuer nor any other person will be required to pay any additional amounts on account of any FATCA Withholding Tax.

## **7. PRESCRIPTION**

The Ordinary Notes (whether in bearer or registered form) and Coupons will become void unless presented for payment within a period of ten years (in the case of principal) and five years (in the case of interest) after the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 17 below) therefor.

There shall not be included in any Coupon sheet issued on exchange of a Talon any Coupon the claim for payment in respect of which would be void pursuant to this Condition 7 or Condition 4(b) above or any Talon which would be void pursuant to Condition 4(b) above.

## **8. REPLACEMENT OF NOTES, COUPONS AND TALONS**

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

## **9. TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE OF REGISTERED NOTES**

### *(a) Transfers of interests in Registered Global Notes*

Transfers of beneficial interests in Registered Global Notes will be effected by DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, and, in turn, by other participants and, if appropriate, indirect participants in such clearing systems acting on behalf of beneficial transferors and transferees of such interests. A beneficial interest in a Registered Global Note will, subject to compliance with all applicable legal and regulatory restrictions, be transferable for Registered Definitive Notes or for a beneficial interest in another Registered Global Note only in the Specified Denominations set out in the applicable Final Terms and only in accordance with the rules and operating procedures for the time being of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, and in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in the Agency Agreement. Transfers of a Registered Global Note registered in the name of a nominee for DTC shall be limited to transfers of such Registered Global Note, in whole but not in part, to another nominee of DTC or to a successor of DTC or such successor's nominee.

### *(b) Transfers of Registered Notes in definitive form*

Subject as provided in paragraphs 9(c), (f) and (g) below, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set out in the Agency Agreement, a Registered Definitive Note may be transferred in whole or in part (in the Specified Denominations set out in the applicable Final Terms). In order to effect any such transfer (i) the holder or holders must (A) surrender the Registered Note for registration of the transfer of the Registered Note (or the relevant part of the Registered Note) at the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent, with the form of transfer thereon duly executed by the holder or holders thereof or his or their attorney or attorneys duly authorised in writing, and (B) complete and deposit such other certifications as may be required by the Registrar or, as the case may be, the relevant Transfer Agent, and (ii) the Registrar or, as the case may be, the relevant Transfer Agent must, after due and careful enquiry, be satisfied with the documents of title and the identity of the person making the request.

Any such transfer will be subject to such reasonable regulations as the Issuer and the Registrar may from time to time prescribe (the initial such regulations being set out in Schedule 10 to the Agency Agreement).

Subject as provided above, the Registrar or, as the case may be, the relevant Transfer Agent will, within three business days (being for this purpose a day on which banks are open for business in the city where the specified office of the Registrar or, as the case may be, the relevant Transfer Agent is located) of the request (or such longer period as may be required to comply with any applicable fiscal or other laws or regulations) authenticate and deliver or procure the authentication and delivery of, at its specified office to the transferee, or (at the risk of the transferee) send by uninsured mail to such address as the transferee may request, a new Registered Definitive Note of a like aggregate nominal amount to the Registered Note (or the relevant part of the Registered Note) transferred. In the case of the transfer of part only of a Registered Definitive Note, a new Registered Definitive Note in respect of the balance of the Registered Note not transferred will be so authenticated and delivered or (at the risk of the transferor) sent by uninsured mail to the address specified by the transferor.

*(c) Registration of transfer upon partial redemption*

In the event of a partial redemption of Ordinary Notes under Condition 5 above, the Issuer shall not be required to register the transfer of any Registered Note, or part of a Registered Note, called for partial redemption.

*(d) Costs of registration*

Noteholders of Registered Notes will not be required to bear the costs and expenses of effecting any registration of transfer as provided above, except for any costs or expenses of delivery other than by regular uninsured mail and except that the Issuer may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any stamp duty, tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation to the registration.

*(e) Transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Notes*

Prior to expiry of the applicable Distribution Compliance Period, transfers by the holder of, or of a beneficial interest in, a Regulation S Global Note to a transferee in the United States or who is a U.S. person will only be made:

- (i) upon receipt by the Registrar of a written certification substantially in the form set out in the Agency Agreement, amended as appropriate (a **Transfer Certificate**), copies of which are available from the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent, from the transferor of such Ordinary Note or beneficial interest therein to the effect that such transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a QIB in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A; or
- (ii) otherwise pursuant to the Securities Act or an exemption therefrom, subject to receipt by the Issuer of such satisfactory evidence as the Issuer may reasonably require, which may include an opinion of U.S. counsel, that such transfer is in compliance with any applicable securities laws of any State of the United States,

and, in each case, in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction.

Such transferee may take delivery through a Rule 144A Note in global or definitive form. Prior to the end of the applicable Distribution Compliance Period, beneficial interests in Regulation S Global

Notes registered in the name of a nominee for DTC may only be held through the accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg. After expiry of the applicable Distribution Compliance Period (i) beneficial interests in Regulation S Global Notes registered in the name of a nominee for DTC may be held through DTC directly, by any participant in DTC, or indirectly through any participant in DTC, and (ii) such certification requirements will no longer apply to such transfers.

*(f) Transfers of interests in Rule 144A Notes*

Transfers of Rule 144A Notes or beneficial interests therein may be made:

- (i) to a transferee who takes delivery of such interest through a Regulation S Global Note, upon receipt by the Registrar of a duly completed Transfer Certificate from the transferor to the effect that such transfer is being made in accordance with Regulation S and that, in the case of a Regulation S Global Note registered in the name of a nominee for DTC, if such transfer is being made prior to the expiry of the applicable Distribution Compliance Period, the interests in the Notes being transferred will be held immediately thereafter through the accounts of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg; or
- (ii) to a transferee who takes delivery of such interest through a Rule 144A Note where the transferee is a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a QIB in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A, without certification; or
- (iii) otherwise pursuant to the Securities Act or an exemption therefrom, subject to receipt by the Issuer of such satisfactory evidence as the Issuer may reasonably require, which may include an opinion of U.S. counsel, that such transfer is in compliance with any applicable securities laws of any State of the United States,

and, in each case, in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction.

Upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Rule 144A Notes, or upon a specific request for removal of the legend, the Registrar shall deliver only Rule 144A Notes or refuse to remove the Legend, as the case may be, unless there is delivered to the Issuer such satisfactory evidence as may reasonably be required by the Issuer, which may include an opinion of U.S. counsel, that neither the Legend nor the restrictions on transfer set out therein are required to ensure compliance with the provisions of the Securities Act.

*(g) Exchanges and transfers of Registered Notes generally*

Holders of Registered Notes in definitive form may exchange such Notes for interests in a Registered Global Note of the same type at any time.

**10. PAYING AGENTS, EXCHANGE AGENT, TRANSFER AGENT, CALCULATION AGENT AND REGISTRAR**

The names of the initial Principal Paying Agent, the initial Registrar and the other initial Paying Agents, the initial Exchange Agent, and initial Transfer Agents and their initial specified offices are set out below.

The Issuer is entitled to vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent or the Registrar or the Exchange Agent or any Transfer Agent or any Calculation Agent and/or appoint additional or other Paying Agents or additional or other Registrars, Exchange Agents, Transfer Agents, or Calculation Agents and/or approve any change in the specified office through which any Paying Agent, Registrar, Exchange Agent, Transfer Agent, or Calculation Agent acts, provided that:

- (a) so long as the Ordinary Notes are listed on any stock exchange or admitted to listing by any other relevant authority there will at all times be a Paying Agent (which may be the Principal Paying Agent) in the case of Bearer Notes, and a Transfer Agent (which may be the Registrar) in the case of Registered Notes, with a specified office in such place as may be required by the rules and regulations of such stock exchange or other relevant authority;
- (b) there will at all times be a Paying Agent (which may be the Principal Paying Agent) with a specified office in a city in continental Europe outside Norway;
- (c) there will at all times be a Transfer Agent having a specified office in a place approved by the Issuer;
- (d) there will at all times be a Registrar with a specified office outside the United Kingdom and, so long as the Ordinary Notes are listed on any stock exchange, in such place as may be required by the rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange; and
- (e) so long as any of the Registered Notes payable in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars are held through DTC or its nominee, there will at all times be an Exchange Agent with a specified office in New York City.

In addition, the Issuer shall forthwith appoint a Paying Agent having a specified office in New York City in the circumstances described in Condition 4(e) above. Any variation, termination, appointment or change shall only take effect (other than in the case of insolvency, when it shall be of immediate effect) after not less than 30 nor more than 45 days' prior notice thereof having been given to the Ordinary Noteholders in accordance with Condition 12 below.

In acting under the Agency Agreement, the Paying Agents act solely as agents of the Issuer and do not assume any obligation to, or relationship of agency or trust with, any Ordinary Noteholders or Couponholders. The Agency Agreement contains provisions permitting any entity into which any Paying Agent is merged or converted or with which it is consolidated or to which it transfers all or substantially all of its assets to become the successor paying agent.

## **11. EXCHANGE OF TALONS**

On and after the Interest Payment Date on which the final Coupon comprised in any Coupon sheet matures, the Talon (if any) forming part of such Coupon sheet may be surrendered at the specified office of the Principal Paying Agent or any other Paying Agent in exchange for a further Coupon sheet including (if such further Coupon sheet does not include Coupons to (and including) the final date for the payment of interest due in respect of the Note to which it appertains) a further Talon, subject to the provisions of Condition 7 above.

## **12. NOTICES**

All notices regarding the Bearer Notes will be deemed to be validly given if published (i) in a leading English language daily newspaper of general circulation in London. It is expected that such publication will be made in the *Financial Times* in London. The Issuer shall also ensure that notices are duly published in a manner which complies with the rules and regulations of any stock exchange (or any other relevant authority) on which any Bearer Notes are for the time being listed or by which they have been admitted to trading. Any such notice will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication or, where required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the date of the first publication in all required newspapers.

All notices regarding the Registered Notes will be deemed to be validly given if sent by first class mail or (if posted to an address overseas) by airmail to the holders (or the first named of joint

holders) at their respective addresses recorded in the Register and will be deemed to have been given on the fourth day after mailing and, in addition, for so long as any Registered Notes are listed on a stock exchange or are admitted to trading by another relevant authority and the rules of that stock exchange or relevant authority so require, such notice will be published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the place or places required by those rules.

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

Notices to be given by any Ordinary Noteholder shall be in writing and given by lodging the same, together (in the case of any Ordinary Note in definitive form) with the relevant Ordinary Note or Ordinary Notes, with the Principal Paying Agent (in the case of Bearer Notes) or the Registrar (in the case of Registered Notes). While any of the Ordinary Notes are represented by a Global Note, such notice may be given by any holder of an Ordinary Note to the Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, and/or DTC, as the case may be, in such manner as the Principal Paying Agent and Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or DTC, as the case may be, may approve for this purpose.

### **13. MEETINGS OF ORDINARY NOTEHOLDERS, MODIFICATION AND WAIVER**

#### **(a) *Provisions with respect to Holders of Bearer Notes and/or Registered Notes***

The Agency Agreement contains provisions for convening meetings of the Ordinary Noteholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the sanctioning by Extraordinary Resolution of a modification of the Ordinary Notes, the Coupons or any of the provisions of the Agency Agreement. Such a meeting may be convened by the Issuer or Ordinary Noteholders holding not less than 5 per cent. in nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes for the time being remaining outstanding. The quorum at any such meeting for passing an Extraordinary Resolution is one or more persons holding or representing not less than 50 per cent. in nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned meeting one or more persons being or representing Ordinary Noteholders whatever the nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes so held or represented, except that at any meeting the business of which includes the modification of certain provisions of the Ordinary Notes, or the Coupons (including modifying the date of maturity of the Ordinary Notes or any date for payment of interest thereon, reducing or cancelling the amount of principal or the rate of interest payable in respect of the Ordinary Notes or altering the currency of payment of the Ordinary Notes or the Coupons), the quorum shall be one or more persons holding or representing not less than two-thirds in nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned such meeting one or more persons holding or representing not less than one-third in nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes for the time being outstanding. An Extraordinary Resolution passed at any meeting of the Ordinary Noteholders shall be binding on all the Ordinary Noteholders, whether or not they are present at the meeting, and on all Couponholders.

(b) *Modification*

The Principal Paying Agent and the Issuer may agree, without the consent of the Ordinary Noteholders or Couponholders, to:

- (i) any modification (except as mentioned above) of the Ordinary Notes, the Coupons, the Agency Agreement or the Deed of Covenant which, in the opinion of the Issuer, is not prejudicial to the interests of the Ordinary Noteholders; or
- (ii) any modification of the Ordinary Notes, the Coupons, Agency Agreement or the Deed of Covenant which is:
  - (A) of a formal, minor or technical nature;
  - (B) is made to correct a manifest or proven error; or
  - (C) is made to comply with mandatory provisions of the law.

Any such modification shall be binding on the Ordinary Noteholders and the Couponholders and any such modification shall be notified to the Ordinary Noteholders in accordance with Condition 12 above as soon as practicable thereafter.

**14. FURTHER ISSUES**

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

**15. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999**

No rights are conferred on any person under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Ordinary Note, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

**16. GOVERNING LAW AND SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION**

(a) *Governing law*

The Agency Agreement, the Deed of Covenant, the Ordinary Notes and the Coupons and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Agency Agreement, the Deed of Covenant, the Ordinary Notes and the Coupons are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law, save as to Condition 2(a) above which is governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, Norwegian law.

(b) *Submission to jurisdiction*

The Issuer agrees, for the exclusive benefit of the Paying Agents, Ordinary Noteholders and the Couponholders, that the courts of England and Wales are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with the Ordinary Notes and/or the Coupons (including a dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Ordinary Notes and/or the Coupons) and that accordingly any suit, action or proceedings (together referred to as **Proceedings**) arising out of or in connection with the Agency Agreement, the Deed of Covenant,

the Ordinary Notes and the Coupons (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Agency Agreement, the Deed of Covenant, the Ordinary Notes and the Coupons) may be brought in such courts.

The Issuer hereby irrevocably waives any objection which it may have now or hereafter to the laying of the venue of any such Proceedings in any such court and any claim that any such Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and hereby further irrevocably agrees that a judgment in any such Proceedings brought in the English courts shall be conclusive and binding upon it and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction.

Nothing contained in this Condition 16 shall limit any right to take Proceedings against the Issuer in any other court of competent jurisdiction, nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction, whether concurrently or not.

(c) *Appointment of Process Agent in England*

The Issuer appoints DNB Bank ASA, London Branch at its registered office at 8th Floor, The Walbrook Building, 25 Walbrook, London, EC4N 8AF, England as its agent for service of process in England, and undertakes that, in the event of DNB Bank ASA, London Branch ceasing so to act or ceasing to be registered in England, it will appoint another person as its agent for service of process in England in respect of any Proceedings. Nothing herein shall affect the right to serve proceedings in any other manner permitted by law.

## 17. DEFINITIONS

In these Ordinary Note Conditions the following words shall have the following meanings:

**Calculation Amount** means, in relation to any Series of Notes, the amount specified in the applicable Final Terms to calculate Fixed Coupon Amount(s), Broken Amount(s), the relevant Final Redemption Amount and the relevant Early Redemption Amount (as applicable);

**CIBOR** means the Copenhagen inter-bank offered rate;

**CITA** means the Copenhagen t/n Interest Average;

**Cover Pool** means all the Issuer's assets and liabilities that from time to time form part of a Cover Pool created in accordance with and subject to Section 11-8 of the Act and to the Regulations;

**Currency Swap** means each currency swap which enables the Issuer to hedge currency risks arising from (a) Notes which are issued in currencies other than NOK, and (b) assets (other than loans) which are registered to the Cover Pool and are denominated in currencies other than NOK;

**Currency Swap Agreement** means the ISDA Master Agreement, schedule and confirmation(s) (as amended and supplemented from time to time) relating to the Currency Swap(s) entered into from time to time between the Issuer and each Currency Swap Provider;

**Currency Swap Provider** means any third-party counterparty in its capacity as currency swap provider under a Currency Swap Agreement;

**Distribution Compliance Period** means the period that ends 40 days after the completion of the distribution of the relevant Tranche of Notes, as certified by the relevant Dealer (in the case of a non-syndicated issue) or the relevant Manager (in the case of a syndicated issue);



**EONIA** means the Euro Overnight Index Average;

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

**EURIBOR** means the Euro-zone inter-bank offered rate;

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

**Extended Final Maturity Date** means, in relation to any Series of Notes, the date, if any, specified as such in the applicable Final Terms to which the payment of all or (as applicable) part of the Final Redemption Amount payable on the Maturity Date will be deferred in the event that the Final Redemption Amount is not paid in full on the Maturity Date;

**HIBOR** means the Hong Kong inter-bank offered rate;

**Interest Rate Swap** means each single currency interest rate swap which enables the Issuer to hedge the Issuer's interest rate risks in NOK and/or other currencies to the extent that they have not been hedged by a Currency Swap;

**Interest Rate Swap Agreement** means the ISDA Master Agreement, schedule and confirmation(s) (as amended and supplemented from time to time) relating to the Interest Rate Swap(s) entered into from time to time between the Issuer and each Interest Rate Swap Provider;

**Interest Rate Swap Provider** means any third-party counterparty in its capacity as interest rate swap provider under an Interest Rate Swap Agreement;

**LIBOR** means the London inter-bank offered rate;

**Moody's** means Moody's Investors Service Limited (or its successor);

**NIBOR** means the Norwegian inter-bank offered rate;

**QIB** means a "*qualified institutional buyer*" within the meaning of Rule 144A;

**Rating Agency** means Moody's Investors Service Limited (or its successor);

**records** of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg means the records that each of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg holds for its customers which reflect the amount of such customers' interest in the Notes;

**Redenomination Date** means (in the case of interest-bearing Ordinary Notes) any date for payment of interest under such Notes;

**Reference Rate** means LIBOR, EURIBOR, NIBOR, CIBOR, CITA, EONIA, HIBOR, SIBOR, STIBOR, TIBOR or Compounded Daily SONIA as specified in the applicable Final Terms;

**Register** means the register of covered bonds of the Issuer required to be maintained pursuant to the Act and the Regulations;

**Regulation S** means Regulation S under the Securities Act;

**Regulation S Global Note** means a Registered Global Note representing Ordinary Notes sold in offshore transactions to persons who are not U.S. persons in reliance on Regulation S;

**Relevant Date** means the date on which a payment first becomes due, except that, if the full amount of the monies payable has not been duly received by the Principal Paying Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which, the full amount of such monies having been so received, notice to that effect is duly given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 12 above;

**Relevant Notes** means all Ordinary Notes where the applicable Final Terms provide for a minimum Specified Denomination in the Specified Currency which is equivalent to at least euro 100,000 and which are admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area;

**Rule 144A** means Rule 144A under the Securities Act;

**Rule 144A Global Note** means a Registered Global Note representing Ordinary Notes sold to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A;

**Rule 144A Notes** means Registered Notes (whether in definitive form or represented by a Registered Global Note) sold in private transactions to QIBs in accordance with the requirements of Rule 144A;

**Securities Act** means the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended;

**SIBOR** means the Singapore inter-bank offered rate;

**STIBOR** means the Stockholm inter-bank offered rate;

**Swap Agreement** means each Interest Rate Swap Agreement and each Currency Swap Agreement;

**Swap Providers** means each Currency Swap Provider and each Interest Rate Swap Provider;

**Swaps** means any Currency Swap and/or any Interest Rate Swap;

**TIBOR** means the Tokyo inter-bank offered rate; and

**Treaty** means the Treaty on the functioning of the European Union, as amended.

**SCHEDULE 3**  
**FORM OF DEED OF COVENANT**

**DEED OF COVENANT**

DATE [            ]

SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS

€35,000,000,000

GLOBAL MEDIUM TERM COVERED NOTE PROGRAMME

**THIS DEED OF COVENANT** is made on [ ] by **SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS** (the **Issuer**) in favour of the account holders or participants specified below of Clearstream Banking, société anonyme (**Clearstream, Luxembourg**), Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. (**Euroclear**) and/or any other additional clearing system or systems as is specified in the Final Terms relating to any Ordinary Note (as defined below) (each a **Clearing System**).

**WHEREAS:**

- (A) The Issuer has entered into a Programme Agreement (the **Programme Agreement**, which expression includes the same as it may be further amended, supplemented and/or restated from time to time) dated 30 August 2007 with the Dealers named in it under which the Issuer proposes from time to time to issue Notes (the **Notes**).
- (B) The Ordinary Notes will initially be represented by, and comprised in, Global Notes (as defined in the Agency Agreement), in each case representing a certain number of underlying Ordinary Notes (the **Underlying Ordinary Notes**).
- (C) Each Global Note may, after issue, be deposited with a depositary for one or more Clearing Systems (together, the **Relevant Clearing System**). Upon any deposit of a Global Note the Underlying Ordinary Notes represented by the Global Note will be credited to a securities account or securities accounts with the Relevant Clearing System. Any account holder with the Relevant Clearing System which has Underlying Ordinary Notes credited to its securities account from time to time (each a **Relevant Account Holder**) will, subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions and operating procedures or management regulations of the Relevant Clearing System, be entitled to transfer the Underlying Ordinary Notes and (subject to and upon payment being made by the Issuer to the bearer in accordance with the terms of the relevant Global Note) will be entitled to receive payments from the Relevant Clearing System calculated by reference to the Underlying Ordinary Notes credited to its securities account.
- (D) In certain circumstances specified in each Global Note, a Global Note will become void. The time at which a Global Note becomes void is referred to as the **Relevant Time**. In those circumstances each Relevant Account Holder will, subject to and in accordance with the terms of this Deed, acquire against the Issuer all those rights which the Relevant Account Holder would have had if, prior to the Global Note becoming void, duly executed and authenticated Definitive Notes (as defined in the Agency Agreement) had been issued in respect of its Underlying Ordinary Notes and those Definitive Notes were held and beneficially owned by the Relevant Account Holder.

**NOW THIS DEED WITNESSES AS FOLLOWS:**

1. If any Global Note becomes void in accordance with its terms the Issuer covenants with each Relevant Account Holder (other than any Relevant Clearing System which is an account holder of any other Relevant Clearing System) that each Relevant Account Holder shall automatically acquire at the Relevant Time, without the need for any further action on behalf of any person, against the Issuer all those rights which the Relevant Account Holder would have had if at the Relevant Time it held and beneficially owned executed and authenticated Definitive Notes in respect of each Underlying Ordinary Note represented by the Global Note which the Relevant Account Holder has credited to its securities account with the Relevant Clearing System at the Relevant Time.

The Issuer's obligation under this clause shall be a separate and independent obligation by reference to each Underlying Ordinary Note which a Relevant Account Holder has credited to its securities account with the Relevant Clearing System and the Issuer agrees that a Relevant Account Holder may assign its rights under this Deed in whole or in part.

2. The records of the Relevant Clearing System shall be conclusive evidence of the identity of the Relevant Account Holders and the number of Underlying Ordinary Notes credited to the securities account of each Relevant Account Holder. For these purposes a statement issued by the Relevant Clearing System stating:
  - (a) the name of the Relevant Account Holder to which the statement is issued; and
  - (b) the aggregate nominal amount of Underlying Ordinary Notes credited to the securities account of the Relevant Account Holder as at the opening of business on the first day following the Relevant Time on which the Relevant Clearing System is open for business,shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the Relevant Clearing System at the Relevant Time.
3. In the event of a dispute, the determination of the Relevant Time by the Relevant Clearing System shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and conclusive for all purposes in connection with the Relevant Account Holders with securities accounts with the Relevant Clearing System.
4. All payments of principal and interest in respect of the Underlying Ordinary Notes by the Issuer will be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of any present or future taxes or duties of whatever nature imposed or levied by or on behalf of the Kingdom of Norway or any political subdivision or any authority thereof or therein having power to tax, unless such withholding or deduction is required by law.
5. The Issuer will pay any stamp and other duties and taxes, including interest and penalties, payable on or in connection with the execution of this Deed and any action taken by any Relevant Account Holder to enforce the provisions of this Deed.
6. The Issuer represents, warrants and undertakes with each Relevant Account Holder that it has all corporate power, and has taken all necessary corporate or other steps, to enable it to execute, deliver and perform this Deed, and that this Deed constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable in accordance with its terms subject to the laws of bankruptcy and other laws affecting the rights of creditors generally.
7. This Deed shall take effect as a Deed Poll for the benefit of the Relevant Account Holders from time to time. This Deed shall be deposited with and held by the common depositary for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (being at the date of this Deed 30 August 2007) until all the obligations of the Issuer under this Deed have been discharged in full.
8. The Issuer acknowledges the right of every Relevant Account Holder to the production of, and the right of every Relevant Account Holder to obtain (upon payment of a reasonable charge) a copy of, this Deed, and further acknowledges and covenants that the obligations binding upon it contained in this Deed are owed to, and shall be for the account of, each and every Relevant Account Holder, and that each Relevant Account Holder shall be entitled severally to enforce those obligations against the Issuer.
9. No rights are conferred on any person under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Deed, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.
10. This Deed and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of England.
11. The Issuer irrevocably agrees, for the exclusive benefit of the Relevant Account Holders, that the courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in

connection with this Deed (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Deed) and that accordingly any suit, action or proceedings (together referred to as **Proceedings**) arising out of or in connection with this Deed (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Deed) may be brought in such courts.

12. The Issuer irrevocably waives any objection which it may have to the laying of the venue of any Proceedings in any such court and any claim that any such Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and further irrevocably agrees that a judgment in any Proceedings brought in the English courts shall be conclusive and binding upon it and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction. Nothing contained in this clause shall limit any right to take Proceedings against the Issuer in any other court of competent jurisdiction, nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction, whether concurrently or not.
13. The Issuer appoints DNB Bank ASA at its registered office at 8th Floor, The Walbrook Building, 25 Walbrook, London, EC4N 8AF as its agent for service of process, and undertakes that, in the event of DNB Bank ASA ceasing so to act or ceasing to be registered in England, it will appoint another person as its agent for service of process in England in respect of any Proceedings. Nothing in this clause shall affect the right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

**IN WITNESS** whereof the Issuer has caused this Deed to be duly executed the day and year first above mentioned.

Executed as a deed )  
by SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS )  
acting by )  
acting on the authority )  
of that company )  
in the presence of: )

Witness:

Name:

Address:

**SCHEDULE 4**  
**FORM OF PUT NOTICE**

**SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT**

*[title of relevant Series of Notes]*

By depositing this duly completed Notice with the Registrar (in the case of Registered Notes) or any Paying Agent (in the case of Bearer Notes) for the above Series of Notes (the **Notes**) the undersigned holder of the Notes surrendered with this Notice and referred to below irrevocably exercises its option to have [the full/.....]<sup>(1)</sup> nominal amount of the Notes redeemed in accordance with Condition *[Redemption and Purchase - Redemption at the option of the Noteholders (Investor Put)]* on *[redemption date]*.

This Notice relates to Notes in the aggregate nominal amount of ..... bearing the following serial numbers:

.....  
If the Notes or a new Registered Note in respect of the balance of the Notes referred to above are to be returned or delivered (as the case may be)<sup>(2)</sup> to the undersigned under clause 14.4 of the Agency Agreement, they should be returned or delivered (as the case may be) by uninsured post to:

**Payment Instructions**

Please make payment in respect of the above-mentioned Notes by [cheque posted to the above address/transfer to the following bank account]<sup>(1)</sup>:

Bank:

Branch Address:

Branch Code:

Account Number:

Signature of holder:

*[To be completed by recipient Registrar/Paying Agent]*

Details of missing unmatured Coupons .....<sup>(3)</sup>

Received by:

*[Signature and stamp of Registrar/Paying Agent]*

At its office at:

On:

**NOTES:**

- (1) Complete as appropriate.
- (2) The Agency Agreement provides that Notes so returned or delivered (as the case may be) will be sent by post, uninsured and at the risk of the Noteholder, unless the Noteholder otherwise requests and pays the costs of such insurance to the relevant Paying Agent at the time of depositing the Note referred to above.
- (3) Only relevant for Bearer Fixed Rate Notes in definitive form.

**N.B. The Registrar or, as the case may be, the Paying Agent with whom the above-mentioned Notes are deposited will not in any circumstances be liable to the depositing Noteholder or any other person for any loss or damage arising from any act, default or omission of such Registrar or Paying Agent in relation to the said Notes or any of them unless such loss or damage was caused by the fraud or negligence of such Registrar or Paying Agent or its directors, officers or employees.**

This Put Notice is not valid unless all of the paragraphs requiring completion are duly completed. Once validly given this Put Notice is irrevocable except in the circumstances set out in clause 14.4 of the Agency Agreement.



## SCHEDULE 5

### PROVISIONS FOR MEETINGS OF ORDINARY NOTEHOLDERS

#### (Applicable to Ordinary Notes only)

1. (a) As used in this Schedule the following expressions shall have the following meanings unless the context otherwise requires:
  - (i) **voting certificate** means an English language certificate issued by a Paying Agent and dated in which it is stated:
    - (A) that on its date Bearer Notes (not being Bearer Notes in respect of which a block voting instruction has been issued and is outstanding in respect of the meeting specified in the voting certificate and any adjournment of the meeting) bearing specified serial numbers were deposited with the Paying Agent or (to the satisfaction of the Paying Agent) were held to its order or under its control and that none of the Bearer Notes will cease to be so deposited or held until the first to occur of:
      - I. the conclusion of the meeting specified in the certificate or, if applicable, any adjourned meeting; and
      - II. the surrender of the certificate to the Paying Agent which issued the same; and
    - (B) that the bearer of the voting certificate is entitled to attend and vote at the meeting and any adjourned meeting in respect of the Bearer Notes represented by the certificate;
  - (ii) **block voting instruction** means an English language document issued by a Paying Agent and dated in which:
    - (A) it is certified that Bearer Notes (not being Bearer Notes in respect of which a voting certificate has been issued and is outstanding in respect of the meeting specified in the block voting instruction and any adjournment of the meeting) have been deposited with the Paying Agent or (to the satisfaction of the Paying Agent) were held to its order or under its control and that none of the Bearer Notes will cease to be so deposited or held until the first to occur of:
      - I. the conclusion of the meeting specified in the document or, if applicable, any adjourned meeting; and
      - II. the surrender to the Paying Agent not less than 48 hours before the time for which the meeting or any adjourned meeting is convened of the receipt issued by the Paying Agent in respect of each deposited Bearer Note which is to be released or (as the case may require) the Bearer Note or Bearer Notes ceasing with the agreement of the Paying Agent to be held to its order or under its control and the giving of notice by the Paying Agent to the Issuer in accordance with paragraph 17 of the necessary amendment to the block voting instruction;

- (iii) it is certified that each holder of the Bearer Notes has instructed the Paying Agent that the vote(s) attributable to the Bearer Note or Bearer Notes so deposited or held should be cast in a particular way in relation to the resolution or resolutions to be put to the meeting or any adjourned meeting and that all instructions are during the period commencing 48 hours before the time for which the meeting or any adjourned meeting is convened and ending at the conclusion or adjournment of the meeting neither revocable nor capable of amendment;
- (iv) the total number, total nominal amount and the serial numbers (if available) of the Bearer Notes so deposited or held are listed distinguishing with regard to each such resolution between those in respect of which instructions have been given that the relevant votes should be cast in favour of the resolution and those in respect of which instructions have been given that the relevant votes should be cast against the resolution; and
- (v) one or more persons named in such document (each a **proxy**) is or are authorised and instructed by such Paying Agent to cast the votes attributable to the Bearer Notes so listed in accordance with the instructions referred to in subparagraph (iii) as set out in such document.

The holder of any voting certificate or the proxies named in any block voting instruction shall for all purposes in connection with the relevant meeting or adjourned meeting of Noteholders be deemed to be the holder of the Bearer Notes to which the voting certificate or block voting instruction relates and the Paying Agent with which the Bearer Notes have been deposited or the person holding the same to the order or under the control of such Paying Agent shall be deemed for those purposes not to be the holder of those Bearer Notes.

- (b) (i) A holder of Registered Notes may by an instrument in writing (a **form of proxy**) signed by the holder or, in the case of a corporation, executed under its common seal or signed on its behalf by an attorney or a duly authorised officer of the corporation, appoint any person (a **proxy**) to act on its behalf in connection with any meeting or proposed meeting of the Noteholders.
  - (A) Any holder of Registered Notes which is a corporation may by resolution of its directors or other governing body authorise any person to act as its representative (a **representative**) in connection with any meeting or proposed meeting of the Noteholders.
  - (B) Any proxy appointed under subparagraph (a) or representative appointed under subparagraph (b) shall, so long as the appointment remains in force, for all purposes in connection with the relevant meeting or adjourned meeting of Noteholders be deemed to be the holder of the Registered Notes to which the appointment relates and the holder of the Registered Notes shall be deemed for those purposes not to be the holder of those Registered Notes.
  - (C) If the holder of a Registered Note is DTC or a nominee of DTC, such nominee or DTC, DTC participants or beneficial owners of interests in Registered Notes held through DTC participants may appoint proxies in accordance with and in the form used by DTC as part of its usual procedures from time to time in relation to meetings of Noteholders. Any proxy so appointed may by an instrument in writing in the English language signed

by the proxy or, in the case of a corporation, executed under its common seal or signed on its behalf by an attorney or a duly authorised officer of the corporation and delivered to the Registrar or any other person approved by the Registrar before the time fixed for any meeting, appoint any persons (the **sub-proxy**) to act on its behalf in connection with any meeting or proposed meeting of Noteholders. All references to **proxy** or **proxies** in this Schedule other than in this paragraph shall be read so as to include references to "sub-proxy" or "sub-proxies".

(c) References in this Schedule to the **Notes** are to the Ordinary Notes in respect of which the relevant meeting is convened.

2. The Issuer may at any time and, upon a requisition in writing of Noteholders holding not less than five per cent. in nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes for the time being outstanding, shall convene a meeting of the Noteholders and if the Issuer makes default for a period of seven days in convening the meeting the meeting may be convened by the requisitionists. Whenever the Issuer is about to convene any meeting it shall immediately give notice in writing to the Principal Paying Agent and the Dealers of the day, time and place of the meeting and of the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting. Every meeting shall be held at a time and place approved by the Principal Paying Agent.
3. At least 21 days' notice (exclusive of the day on which the notice is given and the day on which the meeting is held) specifying the place, day and hour of the meeting shall be given to the Noteholders in the manner provided in Condition 13 (*Notices*). The notice shall state generally the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting but (except for an Extraordinary Resolution) it shall not be necessary to specify in the notice the terms of any resolution to be proposed. The notice shall include a statement to the effect that (a) Bearer Notes may be deposited with Paying Agents for the purpose of obtaining voting certificates or appointing proxies and (b) the holder of Registered Notes may appoint proxies by executing and delivering a form of proxy to the specified office of the Principal Paying Agent, in each case not less than 24 hours before the time fixed for the meeting or that, in the case of corporations, they may appoint representatives by resolution of their directors or other governing body. A copy of the notice shall be sent by post to the Issuer (unless the meeting is convened by the Issuer).
4. The person (who may but need not be a Noteholder) nominated in writing by the Issuer shall be entitled to take the chair at each meeting but if no nomination is made or if at any meeting the person nominated is not present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting the Noteholders present shall choose one of their number to be Chairman.
5. At any meeting one or more persons present holding Ordinary Notes or voting certificates or being proxies or representatives and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than twenty per cent. in nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes for the time being outstanding shall (except for the purpose of passing an Extraordinary Resolution) form a quorum for the transaction of business and no business (other than the choosing of a Chairman) shall be transacted at any meeting unless the requisite quorum is present at the commencement of business. The quorum at any meeting for passing an Extraordinary Resolution shall (subject as provided below) be one or more persons present holding Ordinary Notes or voting certificates or being proxies or representatives and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than 50 per cent. in nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes for the time being outstanding provided that at any meeting the business of which includes any of the following matters (each of which shall only be capable of being effected after having been approved by Extraordinary Resolution) namely:

- (a) modification of the Maturity Date (if any) of the Ordinary Notes or reduction or cancellation of the nominal amount payable upon maturity; or
- (b) reduction or cancellation of the amount payable or modification of the payment date in respect of any interest in respect of the Ordinary Notes or variation of the method of calculating the rate of interest in respect of the Ordinary Notes; or
- (c) reduction of any Minimum Rate of Interest and/or Maximum Rate of Interest specified in the applicable Final Terms; or
- (d) modification of the currency in which payments under the Ordinary Notes are to be made; or
- (e) modification of the majority required to pass an Extraordinary Resolution; or
- (f) the sanctioning of any scheme or proposal described in paragraph 18(f); or
- (g) alteration of this proviso or the proviso to paragraph 6 below,

the quorum shall be one or more persons present holding Ordinary Notes or voting certificates or being proxies or representatives and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than two-thirds in nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes for the time being outstanding.

6. If within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for any meeting a quorum is not present the meeting shall if convened upon the requisition of Noteholders be dissolved. In any other case it shall be adjourned to the same day in the next week (or if such day is a public holiday the next succeeding business day) at the same time and place (except in the case of a meeting at which an Extraordinary Resolution is to be proposed in which case it shall be adjourned for a period being not less than 14 days nor more than 42 days and at a place appointed by the Chairman and approved by the Principal Paying Agent) and at the adjourned meeting one or more persons present holding Ordinary Notes or voting certificates or being proxies or representatives (whatever the nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes so held or represented by them) shall (subject as provided below) form a quorum and shall (subject as provided below) have power to pass any Extraordinary Resolution or other resolution and to decide upon all matters which could properly have been dealt with at the meeting from which the adjournment took place had the requisite quorum been present provided that at any adjourned meeting the business of which includes any of the matters specified in the proviso to paragraph 5 the quorum shall be one or more persons present holding Ordinary Notes or voting certificates or being proxies or representatives and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than one-third in nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes for the time being outstanding.
7. Notice of any adjourned meeting at which an Extraordinary Resolution is to be submitted shall be given in the same manner as notice of an original meeting but as if 10 were substituted for 21 in paragraph 3 and the notice shall (except in cases where the proviso to paragraph 6 shall apply when it shall state the relevant quorum) state that one or more persons present holding Ordinary Notes or voting certificates or being proxies or representatives at the adjourned meeting whatever the nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes held or represented by them will form a quorum. Subject to this it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjourned meeting.
8. Every question submitted to a meeting shall be decided in the first instance by a show of hands and in the case of an equality of votes the Chairman shall both on a show of hands and on a poll have a casting vote in addition to the vote or votes (if any) to which he may be entitled as a Noteholder or as a holder of a voting certificate or as a proxy or as a representative.
9. At any meeting, unless a poll is (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded by the Chairman or the Issuer or by one or more persons present holding Notes or voting

certificates or being proxies or representatives (whatever the nominal amount of the Notes so held by them), a declaration by the Chairman that a resolution has been carried or carried by a particular majority or lost or not carried by a particular majority shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against the resolution.

10. Subject to paragraph 12, if at any meeting a poll is demanded it shall be taken in the manner and, subject as provided below, either at once or after an adjournment as the Chairman may direct and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded as at the date of the taking of the poll. The demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuance of the meeting for the transaction of any business other than the motion on which the poll has been demanded.
11. The Chairman may with the consent of (and shall if directed by) any meeting adjourn the same from time to time and from place to place but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting except business which might lawfully (but for lack of required quorum) have been transacted at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
12. Any poll demanded at any meeting on the election of a Chairman or on any question of adjournment shall be taken at the meeting without adjournment.
13. Any director or officer of the Issuer and its lawyers and financial advisers may attend and speak at any meeting. Subject to this, but without prejudice to the proviso to the definition of **outstanding** in clause 1 of this Agreement, no person shall be entitled to attend and speak nor shall any person be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Noteholders or join with others in requisitioning the convening of a meeting unless he either produces the Bearer Note or Bearer Notes of which he is the holder or a voting certificate or is a proxy or a representative or is the holder of a Registered Note. Neither the Issuer nor any of its Subsidiaries shall be entitled to vote at any meeting in respect of Ordinary Notes held by it for the benefit of any such company and no other person shall be entitled to vote at any meeting in respect of Ordinary Notes held by it for the benefit of any such company. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall prevent any of the proxies named in any block voting instruction or form of proxy or any representative from being a director, officer or representative of or otherwise connected with the Issuer.
14. Subject as provided in paragraph 13 at any meeting:
  - (a) on a show of hands every person who is present in person and produces a Bearer Note or voting certificate or is a holder of a Registered Note or is a proxy or representative shall have one vote; and
  - (b) on a poll every person who is so present shall have one vote in respect of:
    - (i) in the case of a meeting of the holders of Ordinary Notes all of which are denominated in a single currency, each minimum integral amount of that currency; and
    - (ii) in the case of a meeting of the holders of Ordinary Notes denominated in more than one currency, each U.S.\$1.00 or, in the case of an Ordinary Note denominated in a currency other than U.S. dollars, the equivalent of U.S.\$1.00 in that currency (calculated as specified in paragraph 23),

or such other amount as the Principal Paying Agent shall in its absolute discretion stipulate in nominal amount of Ordinary Notes so produced or represented by the voting certificate so produced or in respect of which he is a proxy or representative.

Without prejudice to the obligations of the proxies named in any block voting instruction or form of proxy any person entitled to more than one vote need not use all his votes or cast all the votes to which he is entitled in the same way.

15. The proxies named in any block voting instruction or form of proxy and representatives need not be Noteholders.
16. Each block voting instruction together (if so requested by the Issuer) with proof satisfactory to the Issuer of its due execution on behalf of the relevant Paying Agent and each form of proxy shall be deposited not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the proxies named in the block voting instruction or form of proxy propose to vote at a place approved by the Principal Paying Agent and in default the block voting instruction or form of proxy shall not be treated as valid unless the Chairman of the meeting decides otherwise before the meeting or adjourned meeting proceeds to business. A certified copy of each block voting instruction and form of proxy shall be deposited with the Principal Paying Agent before the commencement of the meeting or adjourned meeting but the Principal Paying Agent shall not as a result be obliged to investigate or be concerned with the validity of or the authority of the proxies named in the block voting instruction or form of proxy.
17. Any vote given in accordance with the terms of a block voting instruction or form of proxy shall be valid notwithstanding the previous revocation or amendment of the block voting instruction or form of proxy or of any of the Noteholders' instructions under which it was executed provided that no notice in writing of the revocation or amendment shall have been received from the relevant Paying Agent or in the case of a Registered Note from the holder of the Registered Note by the Issuer at its registered office (or any other place approved by the Principal Paying Agent for the purpose) by the time being 24 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the block voting instruction or form of proxy is to be used.
18. A meeting of the Noteholders shall in addition to the powers set out above have the following powers exercisable by Extraordinary Resolution (subject to the provisions relating to quorum contained in paragraphs 5 and 6) only, namely:
  - (a) power to sanction any compromise or arrangement proposed to be made between the Issuer and the Noteholders and Couponholders or any of them;
  - (b) power to sanction any abrogation, modification, compromise or arrangement in respect of the rights of the Noteholders and Couponholders against the Issuer or against any of its property whether such rights shall arise under this Agreement, the Ordinary Notes or the Coupons or otherwise;
  - (c) power to assent to any modification of the provisions contained in this Agreement or the Conditions, the Ordinary Notes, the Coupons or the Deed of Covenant which shall be proposed by the Issuer;
  - (d) power to give any authority or sanction which under the provisions of this Agreement or the Ordinary Notes is required to be given by Extraordinary Resolution;
  - (e) power to appoint any persons (whether Noteholders or not) as a committee or committees to represent the interests of the Noteholders and to confer upon any committee or committees any powers or discretions which the Noteholders could themselves exercise by Extraordinary Resolution;
  - (f) power to sanction any scheme or proposal for the exchange or sale of the Ordinary Notes for, or the conversion of the Notes into, or the cancellation of the Ordinary Notes in

consideration of, shares, stock, notes, bonds, debentures, debenture stock and/or other obligations and/or securities of the Issuer or any other company formed or to be formed, or for or into or in consideration of cash, or partly for or into or in consideration of shares, stock, notes, bonds, debentures, debenture stock and/or other obligations and/or securities as stated above and partly for or into or in consideration of cash; and

- (g) power to approve the substitution of any entity in place of the Issuer (or any previous substitute) as the principal debtor in respect of the Ordinary Notes and the Coupons.
19. Any resolution passed at a meeting of the Noteholders duly convened and held in accordance with these provisions shall be binding upon all the Noteholders whether present or not present at the meeting and whether or not voting and upon all Couponholders and each of them shall be bound to give effect to the resolution accordingly and the passing of any resolution shall be conclusive evidence that the circumstances justify its passing. Notice of the result of voting on any resolution duly considered by the Noteholders shall be published in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) by the Issuer within 14 days of the result being known provided that non-publication shall not invalidate the resolution.
20. The expression **Extraordinary Resolution** when used in this Agreement or the Conditions means a resolution passed at a meeting of the Noteholders duly convened and held in accordance with these provisions by a majority consisting of not less than 75 per cent. of the persons voting on the resolution upon a show of hands or if a poll was duly demanded then by a majority consisting of not less than 75 per cent. of the votes given on the poll.
21. Minutes of all resolutions and proceedings at every meeting shall be made and duly entered in books to be from time to time provided for that purpose by the Issuer and any minutes signed by the Chairman of the meeting at which any resolution was passed or proceedings had shall be conclusive evidence of the matters contained in them and until the contrary is proved every meeting in respect of the proceedings of which minutes have been made shall be deemed to have been duly held and convened and all resolutions passed or proceedings had at the meeting to have been duly passed or had.
22. Subject to all other provisions contained in this Schedule the Principal Paying Agent may without the consent of the Issuer, the Noteholders or the Couponholders prescribe any further regulations regarding the requisitioning and/or the holding of meetings of Noteholders and attendance and voting at them as the Principal Paying Agent may in its sole discretion think fit.
23. (a) If and whenever the Issuer shall have issued and have outstanding Ordinary Notes of more than one Series the foregoing provisions of this Schedule shall have effect subject to the following modifications:
- (i) a resolution which affects the Ordinary Notes of more than one Series but does not give rise to a conflict of interest between the holders of Ordinary Notes of any of the Series so affected shall be deemed to have been duly passed if passed at a single meeting of the holders of the Ordinary Notes of all the Series so affected;
  - (ii) a resolution which affects the Ordinary Notes of more than one Series but does not give rise to a conflict of interest between the holders of Ordinary Notes of any of the Series so affected shall be deemed to have been duly passed at a single meeting of the holders of all the Series so affected;
  - (iii) a resolution which affects the Notes of more than one Series and gives or may give rise to a conflict of interest between the holders of the Ordinary Notes of one Series

or group of Series so affected and the holders of the Ordinary Notes of another Series or group of Series so affected shall be deemed to have been duly passed only if in lieu of being passed at a single meeting of the holders of the Ordinary Notes of all such Series it shall be duly passed at separate meetings of the holders of the Ordinary Notes of each Series or group of Series so affected; and

- (iv) to all such meetings all the preceding provisions of this Schedule shall *mutatis mutandis* apply as though references therein to Ordinary Notes, Noteholders and holders were references to the Ordinary Notes of the Series or group of Series in question or to the holders of such Ordinary Notes, as the case may be.
- (b) If the Issuer shall have issued and have outstanding Ordinary Notes which are not denominated in U.S. dollars, in the case of any meeting of holders of Ordinary Notes of more than one currency the nominal amount of such Ordinary Notes shall (i) for the purposes of paragraph 2 above be the equivalent in U.S. dollars at the spot rate of a bank nominated by the Agent for the conversion of the relevant currency or currencies into U.S. dollars on the seventh dealing day prior to the day on which the requisition in writing is received by the Issuer and (ii) for the purposes of paragraphs 5, 6 and 14 (whether in respect of the meeting or any adjourned such meeting or any poll resulting therefrom) be the equivalent at such spot rate on the seventh dealing day prior to the date of such meeting and, in any case, the equivalent in U.S. dollars of Partly Paid Notes or any other Ordinary Notes issued at a discount or a premium shall be calculated by reference to the original nominal amount of such Ordinary Notes. In such circumstances, on any poll each person present shall have one vote for each U.S.\$1 in nominal amount of the Ordinary Notes (converted as above) which he holds or represents.



## SCHEDULE 6

### FORMS OF GLOBAL AND DEFINITIVE NOTES AND COUPONS AND TALONS

#### PART 1

##### FORM OF TEMPORARY BEARER GLOBAL NOTE

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.\*

### SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS

#### TEMPORARY BEARER GLOBAL NOTE

This Global Note is a Temporary Bearer Global Note in respect of a duly authorised issue of Notes (the **Notes**) of SpareBank 1 Boligkreditt AS (the **Issuer**) described, and having the provisions specified, in Part A of the attached Final Terms (the **Final Terms**). References in this Global Note to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions of the Notes as set out in Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) as modified and supplemented by the information set out in the Final Terms, but in the event of any conflict between the provisions of (a) that Schedule or (b) this Global Note and the information set out in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail.

Words and expressions defined or set out in the Conditions and/or the Final Terms shall have the same meaning when used in this Global Note.

This Global Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and an Agency Agreement (the **Agency Agreement**, which expression shall be construed as a reference to that agreement as the same may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 30 August 2007 and made between the Issuer, Citibank N. A. (the **Principal Paying Agent**) and the other agents named in it.

For value received the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions, promises to pay to the bearer of this Global Note on the Maturity Date (if any) and/or on such earlier date(s) as all or any of the Notes represented by this Global Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of the Notes represented by this Global Note on each such date and to pay interest (if any) on the nominal amount of the Notes from time to time represented by this Global Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions together with any other sums payable under the Conditions, upon presentation and, at maturity, surrender of this Global Note to or to the order of the Agent or any of the other paying agents located outside the United States (except as provided in the Conditions) from time to time appointed by the Issuer in respect of the Notes, but in each case subject to the requirements as to certification provided below.

If the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the aggregate amount from time to time entered in the records of both Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme (together, the **relevant Clearing Systems**). The records of the relevant Clearing Systems (which expression in this Global Note means the records that each relevant Clearing System holds for its customers which reflect the amount of such customer's interest in the Notes) shall be conclusive evidence of the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note and, for these purposes, a statement issued by a relevant

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\* This legend can be deleted if the Notes have an initial maturity of 365 days or less.

Clearing System stating the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note at any time (which statement shall be made available to the bearer upon request) shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the relevant Clearing System at that time.

If the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the amount stated in the applicable Final Terms or, if lower, the nominal amount most recently entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in the relevant column in Schedule Two.

On any payment of interest being made in respect of, or purchase and cancellation of, any of the Notes represented by this Global Note the Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and, upon any such entry being made, the nominal amount of the Notes recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the aggregate nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule One and the relevant space in Schedule Two recording any such redemption or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer. Upon any such redemption or purchase and cancellation, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled.

Payments due in respect of Notes for the time being represented by this Global Note shall be made to the bearer of this Global Note and each payment so made will discharge the Issuer's obligations in respect thereof. Any failure to make the entries referred to above shall not affect such discharge.

Prior to the Exchange Date (as defined below), all payments (if any) on this Global Note will only be made to the bearer hereof to the extent that there is presented to the Principal Paying Agent by a relevant Clearing System a certificate to the effect that it has received from or in respect of a person entitled to a particular nominal amount of the Notes (as shown by its records) a certificate of non-US beneficial ownership in the form required by it. The bearer of this Global Note will not be entitled to receive any payment of interest due on or after the Exchange Date unless upon due certification exchange of this Global Note is improperly withheld or refused.

On or after the date (the **Exchange Date**) which is 40 days after the Issue Date this Global Note may be exchanged in whole or in part (free of charge) for, as specified in the Final Terms, either (a) security printed Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and Talons in the form set out in Part 4, Part 5 and Part 6 respectively of Schedule 6 to the Agency Agreement (on the basis that all the appropriate details have been included on the face of such Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and Talons and the Final Terms (or the relevant provisions of the Final Terms) have been endorsed on or attached to such Definitive Notes) or (b) either, if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, interests recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems in a Permanent Bearer Global Note or, if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, a Permanent Bearer Global Note, which, in either case, is in or substantially in the form set out in Part 2 of Schedule 6 to the Agency Agreement (together with the Final Terms attached to it), in each case upon notice being given by a relevant Clearing System acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in this Global Note.

If Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and/or Talons have already been issued in exchange for all the Notes represented for the time being by the Permanent Bearer Global Note, then this Global Note may only thereafter be exchanged for Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and/or Talons in accordance with the terms of this Global Note.

This Global Note may be exchanged by the bearer hereof on any day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open for general business in [*jurisdiction of Agent*]. The Issuer shall procure that the Definitive Notes or (as the case may be) the interests in the Permanent Bearer Global Note shall be (in the case of Definitive Notes) issued and delivered and (in the case of the Permanent Bearer Global Note where the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note) recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing System in exchange for only that portion of this Global Note in respect of which there shall have been presented to the Principal Paying Agent by a relevant Clearing System a certificate to the effect that it has received from or in respect of a person entitled to a beneficial interest in a particular nominal amount of the Notes (as shown by its records) a certificate of non-US beneficial ownership from such person in the form required by it. The aggregate nominal amount of Definitive Notes issued upon an exchange of this Global Note will, subject to the terms hereof, be equal to the aggregate nominal amount of this Global Note submitted by the bearer for exchange (to the extent that such nominal amount does not exceed the aggregate nominal amount of this Global Note).

On an exchange of the whole of this Global Note, this Global Note shall be surrendered to or to the order of the Principal Paying Agent. On an exchange of part only of this Global Note, the Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two and the relevant space in Schedule Two recording such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer, whereupon the nominal amount of this Global Note and the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the nominal amount so exchanged. On any exchange of this Global Note for a Permanent Bearer Global Note, details of such exchange shall also be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two to the Permanent Bearer Global Note and the relevant space in Schedule Two to the Permanent Bearer Global Note recording such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer.

Until the exchange of the whole of this Global Note, the bearer of this Global Note shall in all respects (except as otherwise provided in this Global Note) be entitled to the same benefits as if he were the bearer of Definitive Notes and the relative Coupons and/or Talons (if any) represented by this Global Note. Accordingly, except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law or applicable regulation, the Issuer and any Paying Agent may deem and treat the holder of this Global Note as the absolute owner of this Global Note for all purposes. In the event that this Global Note (or any part of it) has become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions or that the Maturity Date [(if any)] has occurred and, in either case, payment in full of the amount due has not been made to the bearer in accordance with the provisions set out above then this Global Note will become void at 8.00 p.m. (London time) on such day and the bearer will have no further rights under this Global Note (but without prejudice to the rights which the bearer or any other person may have under the Deed of Covenant executed by the Issuer on 30 August in respect of the Notes issued under the Programme Agreement pursuant to which this Global Note is issued).

No rights are conferred on any person under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Global Note, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

This Global Note and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of England.

This Global Note shall not be valid unless authenticated by the Principal Paying Agent and, if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility, effectuated by the entity appointed as common safe-keeper by the Relevant Clearing Systems.

**IN WITNESS** whereof the Issuer has caused this Global Note to be duly executed on its behalf.

**SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS**

By:

Authenticated without recourse,  
warranty or liability by

**[AGENT]**

By:

Effectuated without recourse,  
warranty or liability by

.....  
as common safekeeper

By:

**SCHEDULE ONE TO THE TEMPORARY BEARER GLOBAL NOTE<sup>1</sup>**

## PART 1

## INTEREST PAYMENTS

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<sup>1</sup> Schedule One should only be completed where the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note.

## PART 2

## REDEMPTIONS

[illegible]

\* See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

## PART 3

## PURCHASES AND CANCELLATIONS

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\* See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

**SCHEDULE TWO TO THE TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE<sup>2</sup>**

**EXCHANGES  
FOR DEFINITIVE NOTES OR PERMANENT BEARER GLOBAL NOTE**

The following exchanges of a part of this Global Note for Definitive Notes or a Permanent Bearer Global Note have been made:

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<sup>2</sup> Schedule Two should only be completed where the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note.

\* See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.



## PART 2

### FORM OF PERMANENT BEARER GLOBAL NOTE

**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.\***

## SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS

### PERMANENT BEARER GLOBAL NOTE

This Global Note is a Permanent Bearer Global Note in respect of a duly authorised issue of Notes (the **Notes**) of SpareBank 1 Boligkreditt AS (the **Issuer**) described, and having the provisions specified, in Part A of the attached Final Terms (the **Final Terms**). References in this Global Note to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions of the Notes as set out in Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) as modified and supplemented by the information set out in the Final Terms, but in the event of any conflict between the provisions of (a) that Schedule or (b) this Global Note and the information set out in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail.

Words and expressions defined or set out in the Conditions and/or the Final Terms shall have the same meaning when used in this Global Note.

This Global Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and an Agency Agreement (the **Agency Agreement**, which expression shall be construed as a reference to that agreement as the same may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 30 August 2007 and made between the Issuer, Citibank N.A.(the **Principal Paying Agent**) and the other agents named in it.

For value received the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions, promises to pay to the bearer of this Global Note on the Maturity Date (if any) and/or on such earlier date(s) as all or any of the Notes represented by this Global Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of the Notes represented by this Global Note on each such date and to pay interest (if any) on the nominal amount of the Notes from time to time represented by this Global Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions together with any other sums payable under the Conditions, upon presentation and, at maturity, surrender of this Global Note to or to the order of the Principal Paying Agent or any of the other paying agents located outside the United States (except as provided in the Conditions) from time to time appointed by the Issuer in respect of the Notes.

If the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the aggregate amount from time to time entered in the records of both Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme (together, the **relevant Clearing Systems**). The records of the relevant Clearing Systems (which expression in this Global Note means the records that each relevant Clearing System holds for its customers which reflect the amount of such customer's interest in the Notes) shall be conclusive evidence of the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note and, for these purposes, a statement issued by a relevant Clearing System stating the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note at any time (which statement shall be made available to the bearer upon request) shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the relevant Clearing System at that time.

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\* This legend can be deleted if the Notes have an initial maturity of 365 days or less.

If the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the amount stated in the applicable Final Terms or, if lower, the nominal amount most recently entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in the relevant column in Part 2, Part 3 or Part 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two.

On any payment of interest being made in respect of, or purchase and cancellation of, any of the Notes represented by this Global Note the Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and, upon any such entry being made, the nominal amount of the Notes recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the aggregate nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule One and the relevant space in Schedule One recording any such redemption or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer. Upon any such redemption or purchase and cancellation, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled.

Payments due in respect of Notes for the time being represented by this Global Note shall be made to the bearer of this Global Note and each payment so made will discharge the Issuer's obligations in respect thereof. Any failure to make the entries referred to above shall not affect such discharge.

Where the Notes have initially been represented by one or more Temporary Global Notes, on any exchange of any such Temporary Global Note for this Global Note or any part of it, the Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two and the relevant space in Schedule Two recording any such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer. Upon any such exchange, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be increased by the nominal amount of the Notes so exchanged.

In certain circumstances further notes may be issued which are intended on issue to be consolidated and form a single Series with the Notes. In such circumstances the Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such further notes may be entered in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems such that the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note may be increased by the amount of such further notes so issued; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two and the relevant space in Schedule Two recording such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer, whereupon the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be increased by the nominal amount of any such Temporary Global Note so exchanged.

This Global Note may be exchanged in whole but not in part (free of charge) for Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and/or Talons in the form set out in Part 4, Part 5, Part 6, and Part 7 of Schedule 6 to the Agency Agreement (on the basis that all the appropriate details have been included on the face of such Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and Talons and the Final Terms (or the relevant provisions of the Final Terms) have been endorsed on or attached to such Definitive Notes) either, as specified in the applicable Final Terms only upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event. or

An **Exchange Event** means:

- (a) the Issuer has been notified that both the relevant Clearing Systems have been closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or have announced an intention permanently to cease business or have in fact done so and no successor clearing system is available; or
- (b) the Issuer has or will become subject to adverse tax consequences which would not be suffered were the Notes represented by this Global Note in definitive form.

If this Global Note is only exchangeable following the occurrence of an Exchange Event:

- (a) the Issuer will promptly give notice to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event; and
- (b) in the event of the occurrence of any Exchange Event, one or more of the relevant Clearing Systems acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in this Global Note may give notice to the Principal Paying Agent requesting exchange and, in the event of the occurrence of an Exchange Event as described in (a) above, the Issuer may also give notice to the Principal Paying Agent requesting exchange. Any such exchange shall occur no later than 45 days after the date of receipt of the first relevant notice by the Principal Paying Agent.

Any such exchange will be made on any day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open for general business in [*jurisdiction of Agent*] by the bearer of this Global Note. On an exchange of this Global Note, this Global Note shall be surrendered to or to the order of the Principal Paying Agent. The aggregate nominal amount of Definitive Notes issued upon an exchange of this Global Note will be equal to the aggregate nominal amount of this Global Note at the time of such exchange.

Until the exchange of this Global Note, the bearer of this Global Note shall in all respects (except as otherwise provided in this Global Note) be entitled to the same benefits as if he were the bearer of Definitive Notes and the relative Coupons and/or Talons (if any) represented by this Global Note. Accordingly, except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law or applicable regulation, the Issuer and any Paying Agent may deem and treat the holder of this Global Note as the absolute owner of this Global Note for all purposes.

In the event that this Global Note (or any part of it) has become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions or that the Maturity Date [(if any)] has occurred and, in either case, payment in full of the amount due has not been made to the bearer in accordance with the provisions set out above then this Global Note will become void at 8.00 p.m. (London time) on such day and the bearer will have no further rights under this Global Note (but without prejudice to the rights which the bearer or any other person may have under the Deed of Covenant executed by the Issuer on 30 August 2007 in respect of the Notes issued under the Programme Agreement pursuant to which this Global Note is issued).

No rights are conferred on any person under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Global Note, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

This Global Note and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of England.

This Global Note shall not be valid unless authenticated by the Principal Paying Agent and, if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility, effectuated by the entity appointed as common safekeeper by the Relevant Clearing Systems.

**IN WITNESS** whereof the Issuer has caused this Global Note to be duly executed on its behalf.

**SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS**

By:

Authenticated without recourse,  
warranty or liability by

**[AGENT]**

By:

Effectuated without recourse,  
warranty or liability by

.....  
as common safekeeper

By:

**SCHEDULE ONE TO THE PERMANENT BEARER GLOBAL NOTE<sup>3</sup>**

## PART 1

## INTEREST PAYMENTS

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<sup>3</sup> Schedule One should only be completed where the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note.



## PART 3

## PURCHASES AND CANCELLATIONS

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\* See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

**SCHEDULE TWO TO THE PERMANENT BEARER GLOBAL NOTE<sup>4</sup>**

## SCHEDULE OF EXCHANGES

The following exchanges affecting the nominal amount of this Global Note have been made:

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<sup>4</sup> Schedule Two should only be completed where the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note.

\* See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.



### **PART 3**

#### **FORMS OF REGISTERED GLOBAL NOTES**

**THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE SECURITIES ACT), OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS AND, ACCORDINGLY, MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE. BY ITS ACQUISITION HEREOF, THE HOLDER (A) REPRESENTS THAT IT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) PURCHASING THE SECURITIES FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF ONE OR MORE QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS; (B) AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THE SECURITIES EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGENCY AGREEMENT AND, PRIOR TO THE DATE WHICH IS TWO YEARS AFTER THE LATER OF THE LAST ISSUE DATE FOR THE SERIES AND THE LAST DATE ON WHICH THE ISSUER OR AN AFFILIATE OF THE ISSUER WAS THE OWNER OF SUCH SECURITIES OTHER THAN (1) TO THE ISSUER OR ANY AFFILIATE THEREOF, (2) INSIDE THE UNITED STATES TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A, (3) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (4) PURSUANT TO THE EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION PROVIDED BY RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (IF AVAILABLE) OR (5) PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION; AND (C) IT AGREES THAT IT WILL DELIVER TO EACH PERSON TO WHOM THIS SECURITY IS TRANSFERRED A NOTICE SUBSTANTIALLY TO THE EFFECT OF THIS LEGEND.**

**THIS SECURITY AND RELATED DOCUMENTATION (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE AGENCY AGREEMENT REFERRED TO HEREIN) MAY BE AMENDED OR SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME, WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF, BUT UPON NOTICE TO, THE HOLDERS OF SUCH SECURITIES SENT TO THEIR REGISTERED ADDRESSES, TO MODIFY THE RESTRICTIONS ON AND PROCEDURES FOR RESALES AND OTHER TRANSFERS OF THIS SECURITY TO REFLECT ANY CHANGE IN APPLICABLE LAW OR REGULATION (OR THE INTERPRETATION THEREOF) OR IN PRACTICES RELATING TO RESALES OR OTHER TRANSFERS OF RESTRICTED SECURITIES GENERALLY. THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY SHALL BE DEEMED, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OR PURCHASE HEREOF, TO HAVE AGREED TO ANY SUCH AMENDMENT OR SUPPLEMENT (EACH OF WHICH SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND BINDING ON THE HOLDER HEREOF AND ALL FUTURE HOLDERS OF THIS SECURITY AND ANY SECURITIES ISSUED IN EXCHANGE OR SUBSTITUTION THEREFOR, WHETHER OR NOT ANY NOTATION THEREOF IS MADE HEREON).<sup>(1)</sup>**

**[UNLESS THIS GLOBAL NOTE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, A NEW YORK CORPORATION, (DTC), TO THE ISSUER OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT, AND ANY REGISTERED NOTE ISSUED IN EXCHANGE FOR THIS GLOBAL NOTE OR ANY**

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<sup>(1)</sup> To be included on Rule 144A Global Note only.

**PORTION HEREOF IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUIRED BY AN AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON OTHER THAN DTC OR A NOMINEE THEREOF IS WRONGFUL IN AS MUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.**

**THIS GLOBAL SECURITY MAY NOT BE EXCHANGED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, FOR A SECURITY REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF ANY PERSON OTHER THAN THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY OR A NOMINEE THEREOF EXCEPT IN THE LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES SET FORTH IN THIS GLOBAL SECURITY, AND MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THIS LEGEND. BENEFICIAL INTERESTS IN THIS GLOBAL SECURITY MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS LEGEND.]**

**THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE SECURITIES ACT), OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS AND, ACCORDINGLY, MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGENCY AGREEMENT AND PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT. THIS LEGEND SHALL CEASE TO APPLY UPON THE EXPIRY OF THE PERIOD OF 40 DAYS AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF ALL THE NOTES OF THE TRANCHE OF WHICH THIS NOTE FORMS PART.**

**[THIS NOTE CONSTITUTES [COMMERCIAL PAPER/A SHORTER/A LONGER] TERM DEBT SECURITY ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATIONS MADE UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE BANKING ACT 1987. THE ISSUER OF THIS NOTE IS NOT AN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION OR A EUROPEAN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION (AS SUCH TERMS ARE DEFINED IN THE BANKING ACT 1987 (EXEMPT TRANSACTIONS) REGULATIONS 1997). REPAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL AND PAYMENT OF ANY INTEREST OR PREMIUM IN CONNECTION WITH THIS NOTE HAS NOT BEEN GUARANTEED, WHICH IS [NOT AN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION OR A EUROPEAN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION/AN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION, BUT NOT A EUROPEAN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION/NOT AN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION BUT WHICH IS A EUROPEAN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION].]**

## SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS

### [RULE 144A]<sup>(1)</sup> [REGULATION S]<sup>(2)</sup> GLOBAL NOTE

SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS (the **Issuer**) hereby certifies that [Cede & Co]<sup>(3)</sup> [●]<sup>(4)</sup> is, at the date hereof, entered in the Register as the holder of the aggregate nominal amount of [ ] of a duly authorised issue of Notes (the **Notes**) described, and having the provisions specified, in the attached Final Terms (the **Final Terms**). References in this Global Note to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions of the Notes set out in Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) as modified and supplemented by the information set out in the Final Terms, but in the event of any conflict between the provisions of (i) that Schedule or (ii) this Global Note and the information set out in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail.

Words and expressions defined or set out in the Conditions and/or the Final Terms shall have the same meaning when used in this Global Note.

This Global Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and an Agency Agreement (the **Agency Agreement** which expression shall be construed as a reference to that agreement as the same may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 30 August 2007 and made between the Issuer, Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG (the **Registrar**) and the other Agents named in it.

Subject to and in accordance with the Conditions, the registered holder of this Global Note is entitled to receive on the Maturity Date (if any) and/or on such earlier date(s) as all or any of the Notes represented by this Global Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of the Notes on each such date and interest (if any) on the nominal amount of the Notes from time to time represented by this Global Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions together with any other sums payable under the Conditions, all in accordance with the Conditions.

On any payment of interest being made in respect of, or purchase and cancellation of, any of the Notes represented by this Global Note details of such redemption or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered by the Registrar in the Register. Upon any such redemption or purchase and cancellation, the nominal amount of the Notes held by the registered holder hereof shall be reduced by the nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled. The nominal amount of the Notes held by the registered holder hereof following any such redemption or purchase and cancellation or any transfer or exchange as referred to below shall be that amount most recently entered in the Register.

Notes represented by this Global Note are transferable only in accordance with, and subject to, the provisions of this Global Note (including the legend set out above) and of Condition 10 (*Transfer and Exchange of Registered Notes*) and the rules and operating procedures of Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. (**Euroclear**), Clearstream Banking, société anonyme (**Clearstream, Luxembourg**) and, if this Global Note is registered in the name of a nominee of The Depository Trust Company (**DTC**), DTC.

This Global Note may be exchanged in whole but not in part (free of charge) for Definitive Registered Notes in the form set out in Part 8 of Schedule 6 to the Agency Agreement (on the basis that all the appropriate details have been included on the face of such Definitive Registered Notes and the Final Terms (or the relevant provisions of the Final Terms) have been endorsed on or attached to such Definitive Registered Notes) only upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event.

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(1) To be included on Rule 144A Global Note only.

(2) To be included on Regulation S Global Note only.

(3) To be included on a Global Note registered in the name of a nominee for DTC only.

(4) To be included on a Global Note registered in the name of a nominee of a common depository for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg only.

An **Exchange Event** means:

- (a) if this Global Note is registered in the name of a nominee for DTC, either DTC has notified the Issuer that it is unwilling or unable to continue to act as depositary for the Notes and no alternative clearing system is available or DTC has ceased to constitute a clearing agency registered under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and no alternative clearing system is available;
- (b) if this Global Note is registered in the name of a nominee for a common depositary for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, the Issuer has been notified that both Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg have been closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or have announced an intention permanently to cease business or have in fact done so and no successor clearing system is available; or
- (c) the Issuer has or will become subject to adverse tax consequences which would not be suffered were the Notes represented by this Global Note in definitive form.

The Issuer will promptly give notice to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event. In the event of the occurrence of any Exchange Event, DTC, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in this Global Note may give notice to the Registrar requesting exchange and, in the event of the occurrence of an Exchange Event as described in (4) above, the Issuer may also give notice to the Registrar requesting exchange. Any exchange shall occur no later than 10 days after the date of receipt of the relevant notice by the Registrar.

Exchanges will be made upon presentation of this Global Note at the office of the Registrar at Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG, Reuterweg 16, 602323 Frankfurt, Germany, by the holder of it on any day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open for general business in England and Wales. The aggregate nominal amount of Definitive Registered Notes issued upon an exchange of this Global Note will be equal to the aggregate nominal amount of this Global Note.

On an exchange in whole of this Global Note, this Global Note shall be surrendered to the Registrar.

On any exchange or transfer following which either (i) Notes represented by this Global Note are no longer to be so represented or (ii) Notes not so represented are to be so represented details of the transfer shall be entered by the Registrar in the Register, following which the nominal amount of this Global Note and the Notes held by the registered holder of this Global Note shall be increased or reduced (as the case may be) by the nominal amount so transferred.

Until the exchange of the whole of this Global Note, the registered holder of this Global Note shall in all respects (except as otherwise provided in this Global Note and in the Conditions) be entitled to the same benefits as if he were the registered holder of the Definitive Registered Notes represented by this Global Note.

In the event that this Global Note (or any part of it) has become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions or that the Maturity Date (if any) has occurred and, in either case, payment in full of the amount due has not been made to the registered holder of this Global Note in accordance with the provisions set out above then holders of interests in this Global Note will become entitled to proceed directly against the Issuer on the basis of statements of account provided by DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, on, and subject to the terms of, a Deed of Covenant executed by the Issuer on 30 August 2007 in respect of the Notes issued under the Programme Agreement pursuant to which this Global Note is issued.

This Global Note is not a document of title. Entitlements are determined by entry in the Register and only the duly registered holder from time to time is entitled to payment in respect of this Global Note.

If this Global Note is registered in the name of a nominee for DTC, transfers of this Global Note shall be limited to transfers in whole, but not in part, to DTC or any other nominee of DTC.

The statements in the legend set out above are an integral part of the terms of this Global Note and, by acceptance of this Global Note, the registered holder of this Global Note agrees to be subject to and bound by the terms and provisions set out in the legend.

No rights are conferred on any person under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Global Note, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

This Global Note and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of England.

This Global Note shall not be valid unless authenticated by the Registrar.

IN WITNESS whereof the Issuer has caused this Global Note to be duly executed on its behalf.

**SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS**

By

Authenticated without recourse,  
warranty or liability by

CITIGROUP GLOBAL  
MARKETS EUROPE AG

By:

## PART 4

### FORM OF DEFINITIVE BEARER NOTE

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[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.]\*

### SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS

[Specified Currency and Nominal Amount of Tranche] Notes [Due [Year of Maturity]]

This Note is one of a duly authorised issue of Notes denominated in the Specified Currency [and maturing on the Maturity Date] (the **Notes**) of SpareBank 1 Boligkreditt AS (the **Issuer**). References in this Note to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions [endorsed on this Note/attached to this Note/set out in Part 1 of Schedule 6 to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) which shall be incorporated by reference in this Note and have effect as if set out in it] as modified and supplemented by Part A of the Final Terms (the **Final Terms**) (or the relevant provisions of the Final Terms) endorsed on this Note but, in the event of any conflict between the provisions of the Conditions and the information in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail.

This Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and an Agency Agreement (the **Agency Agreement**, which expression shall be construed as a reference to that agreement as the same may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 30 August 2007 and made between the Issuer, Citibank N.A. (the **Principal Paying Agent**) and the other agents named in it.

For value received, the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions, promises to pay to the bearer of this Note on the Maturity Date [(if any)] and/or on such earlier date(s) as this Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of this Note on each such date and to pay interest (if any) on this Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions together with any other sums payable under the Conditions.

This Note shall not be validly issued unless authenticated by the Principal Paying Agent.

**IN WITNESS** whereof the Issuer has caused this Note to be duly executed on its behalf.

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\* This legend can be deleted if the Notes have an initial maturity of 365 days or less.

**SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS**

By:

Authenticated without recourse,  
warranty or liability by

**[AGENT]**

By:

*[Reverse of Note]*

**Terms and Conditions**

*[Terms and Conditions to be as set out in Part 1 of  
Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement]*

**Final Terms**

*[Here may be set out text of Final Terms  
relating to the Notes]*



**PART 5**  
**FORM OF COUPON**

[*Face of Coupon*]

**SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS**

*[Specified Currency and Nominal Amount of Tranche]*  
Notes [Due [Year of Maturity]]<sup>vi</sup>

**Part A**

**For Fixed Rate Notes:**

This Coupon is payable to bearer, separately negotiable and subject to the Terms and Conditions of the Notes to which it appertains. Coupon for [ ] due on [ ]

**Part B**

**For Floating Rate Notes:**

Coupon for the amount due in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Notes to which it appertains on the Interest Payment Date falling in [ ]. Coupon due in [ ]

This Coupon is payable to bearer, separately negotiable and subject to such Terms and Conditions, under which it may become void before its due date.

**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.\***

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\* This legend can be deleted if the Notes have an initial maturity of 365 days or less.

**PART 6**  
**FORM OF TALON**

*[Face of Talon]*

**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. \***

**SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS**

*[Specified Currency and Nominal Amount of Tranche] Notes [Due [Year of Maturity]]*<sup>vi</sup>

Series No. [       ]

On and after [       ] further Coupons [and a further Talon] appertaining to the Note to which this Talon appertains will be issued at the specified office of any of the Paying Agents set out on the reverse hereof (and/or any other or further Paying Agents and/or specified offices as may from time to time be duly appointed and notified to the Noteholders) upon production and surrender of this Talon.

This Talon may, in certain circumstances, become void under the Terms and Conditions endorsed on the Note to which this Talon appertains.

**SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS**

By:

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\* This legend can be deleted if the Notes have an initial maturity of 365 days or less.

[Reverse of Coupon and Talon]

**AGENT**

Citibank N.A.

**OTHER PAYING AGENTS**

[●]

and/or such other or further Agent or other Paying Agents and/or specified offices as may from time to time be duly appointed by the Issuer and notice of which has been given to the Noteholders.

For value received, the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions, promises to pay to the bearer of this Note on the Maturity Date [(if any) and/or on such earlier date(s) as this Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of this Note on each such date and to pay interest (if any) on this Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions together with any other sums payable under the Conditions.

This Note shall not be validly issued unless authenticated by the Principal Paying Agent.

IN WITNESS whereof the Issuer has caused this Note to be duly executed on its behalf.

**SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS**

By:

Authenticated without recourse,  
warranty or liability by

**[AGENT]**

By:

[Reverse of Note]

**Terms and Conditions**

*[Terms and Conditions to be as set out in  
Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement]*

**Final Terms**

*[Here may be set out text of Final Terms  
relating to the Notes]*

**PART 7**

**FORM OF DEFINITIVE REGISTERED NOTE**

**SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS**

**[Specified Currency and Nominal Amount of Tranche] Notes [Due [Year of Maturity]]**

**[THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE SECURITIES ACT), OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS AND, ACCORDINGLY, MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE. BY ITS ACQUISITION HEREOF, THE HOLDER [(A) REPRESENTS THAT IT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) PURCHASING THIS SECURITY FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF ONE OR MORE QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS ]<sup>i</sup>; (B) AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS SECURITY EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGENCY AGREEMENT AND, PRIOR TO THE DATE WHICH IS TWO YEARS AFTER THE LATER OF THE LAST ISSUE DATE FOR THE SERIES AND THE LAST DATE ON WHICH THE ISSUER OR AN AFFILIATE OF THE ISSUER WAS THE OWNER OF SUCH SECURITIES OTHER THAN (1) TO THE ISSUER OR ANY AFFILIATE THEREOF, (2) INSIDE THE UNITED STATES TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A, (3) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (4) PURSUANT TO THE EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION PROVIDED BY RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (IF AVAILABLE) OR (5) PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION; AND (C) IT AGREES THAT IT WILL DELIVER TO EACH PERSON TO WHOM THIS SECURITY IS TRANSFERRED A NOTICE SUBSTANTIALLY TO THE EFFECT OF THIS LEGEND.**

**THIS SECURITY AND RELATED DOCUMENTATION (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE AGENCY AGREEMENT REFERRED TO HEREIN) MAY BE AMENDED OR SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME, WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF, BUT UPON NOTICE TO, THE HOLDERS OF SUCH SECURITIES SENT TO THEIR REGISTERED ADDRESSES, TO MODIFY THE RESTRICTIONS ON AND PROCEDURES FOR RESALES AND OTHER TRANSFERS OF THIS SECURITY TO REFLECT ANY CHANGE IN APPLICABLE LAW OR REGULATION (OR THE INTERPRETATION THEREOF) OR IN PRACTICES RELATING TO RESALES OR OTHER TRANSFERS OF RESTRICTED SECURITIES GENERALLY. THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY SHALL BE DEEMED, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OR PURCHASE HEREOF, TO HAVE AGREED TO ANY SUCH AMENDMENT OR SUPPLEMENT (EACH OF WHICH SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND BINDING ON THE HOLDER HEREOF AND ALL FUTURE HOLDERS OF THIS SECURITY AND ANY SECURITIES ISSUED IN EXCHANGE OR SUBSTITUTION THEREFOR, WHETHER OR NOT ANY NOTATION THEREOF IS MADE HEREON).]<sup>(1)</sup>**

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<sup>(1)</sup> To be included on Rule 144A Notes only.

[THIS NOTE CONSTITUTES [COMMERCIAL PAPER/A SHORTER/A LONGER]<sup>(2)</sup> TERM DEBT SECURITY ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATIONS MADE UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE BANKING ACT 1987. THE ISSUER OF THIS NOTE IS NOT AN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION OR A EUROPEAN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION (AS SUCH TERMS ARE DEFINED IN THE BANKING ACT 1987 (EXEMPT TRANSACTIONS) REGULATIONS 1997). REPAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL AND PAYMENT OF ANY INTEREST OR PREMIUM IN CONNECTION WITH THIS NOTE HAS NOT BEEN GUARANTEED, WHICH IS [NOT AN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION OR A EUROPEAN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION/AN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION, BUT NOT A EUROPEAN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION/NOT AN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION BUT WHICH IS A EUROPEAN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION].<sup>(3)</sup>

SpareBank 1 Boligkreditt (the **Issuer**) hereby certifies that [ ] is/are, at the date of this Note, entered in the Register as the holder(s) of the aggregate nominal amount of [ ] of a duly authorised issue of Notes (the **Notes**) described, and having the provisions specified, in the attached Final Terms (the **Final Terms**). References in this Note to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions [endorsed on this Note/attached to this Note/set out in Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement (as defined below)] as modified and supplemented by information set out in the Final Terms but, in the event of any conflict between the provisions of the Conditions and the information in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail.

Words and expressions defined or set out in the Conditions and/or the Final Terms shall have the same meaning when used in this Note.

This Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and an Agency Agreement (the **Agency Agreement**, which expression shall be construed as a reference to that agreement as the same may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 30 August 2007 and made between the Issuer, Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG (the **Registrar**) and the other parties named in it.

Subject to and in accordance with the Conditions, the registered holder(s) of this Note is/are entitled to receive on the Maturity Date (if any) and/or on such earlier date(s) as this Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of this Note on each such due date and interest (if any) on this Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions together with any other sums payable under the Conditions, all in accordance with the Conditions.

This Note is not a document of title. Entitlements are determined by entry in the Register and only the duly registered holder from time to time is entitled to payment in respect of this Note.

[The statements in the legend set out above are an integral part of the terms of this Note and, by acceptance of this Note, the registered holder of this Note agrees to be subject to and bound by the terms and provisions set out in the legend.]<sup>(1)</sup>

This Note shall not be valid unless authenticated by the Registrar.

IN WITNESS whereof the Issuer has caused this Note to be duly executed on its behalf.

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(2) Delete as appropriate. Include "commercial paper" if Notes must be redeemed before their first anniversary. Include "shorter" if Notes may not be redeemed before their first anniversary but must be redeemed before their third anniversary. Include "longer" if Notes may not be redeemed before their third anniversary.

(3) Amend as appropriate. Unless otherwise permitted, text to be included for all Notes (including Notes denominated in Sterling) in respect of which the issue proceeds are accepted by the Issuer in the UK.

**SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS**

By:

Authenticated without recourse,  
warranty or liability by

CITIGROUP GLOBAL  
MARKETS EUROPE AG

By:

### FORM OF TRANSFER

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the undersigned hereby sell(s), assign(s) and transfer(s) to

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*(Please print or type name and address (including postal code) of transferee)*

[Specified Currency][ ] nominal amount of this Note and all rights hereunder, hereby irrevocably constituting and appointing CITIBANK N.A. as attorney to transfer such principal amount of this Note in the register maintained by SpareBank 1 Boligkreditt AS with full power of substitution.

Signature(s).....

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Date: .....

#### NOTE:

1. This form of transfer must be accompanied by such documents, evidence and information as may be required pursuant to the Conditions (including, if required a duly completed certification in the form set out in Schedule 8 to the Agency Agreement) and must be executed under the hand of the transferor or, if the transferor is a corporation, either under its common seal or under the hand of two of its officers duly authorised in writing and, in such latter case, the document so authorising such officers must be delivered with this form of transfer.
2. The signature(s) on this form of transfer must correspond with the name(s) as it/they appear(s) on the face of this Note in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatever.



## SCHEDULE 7

### FORM OF DEED POLL

THIS DEED POLL is made on [ ], by SpareBank 1 Boligkreditt AS, a company incorporated in Norway with its office at Børehaugen 1, 4003 Stavanger, Norway, (the **Issuer**) in favour of Holders and prospective purchasers (each term as defined below).

#### WHEREAS:

- (A) The Issuer has entered into a Programme Agreement dated 30 August 2007 with the Dealers (the **Dealers**) specified therein relating to the offering and sale of debt securities of the Issuer (the **Securities**) on the terms and conditions set forth therein (such agreement, as amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time is referred to below as the **Programme Agreement**).
- (B) The Issuer, in order to ensure compliance with Rule 144A under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, (the **Securities Act**) in connection with resales of the Securities, has agreed to comply with the information delivery requirements of Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

**NOW THIS DEED WITNESSETH AS FOLLOWS** and is made by way of deed poll:

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

Capitalised terms used but not defined in this Deed shall have the same meanings given to them in the Programme Agreement.

#### 2. FURNISHING OF INFORMATION

The Issuer undertakes that so long as any of the Securities are "restricted securities" within the meaning of Rule 144(a)(3) under the Securities Act, during any period when it is not subject to and in compliance with the reporting requirements of Sections 13 or 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the **Exchange Act**), or it is not exempt from such reporting requirements pursuant to and in compliance with Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, it will provide to each holder or beneficial owner (each a **Holder**) of such restricted securities and to each prospective purchaser (as designated by any Holder), upon the request of a Holder or prospective purchaser, the information required to be provided pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

#### 3. BENEFIT

This Deed shall take effect as a Deed Poll for the benefit of the Holders and the prospective purchasers from time to time and for the benefit of the Dealers. This Deed shall be deposited with and held by the Registrar until all the obligations of the Issuer under this Deed have been discharged in full.

The Issuer acknowledges the right of every Holder, prospective purchaser and Dealer to the production of, and the right of every Holder, prospective purchaser and Dealer to obtain (upon payment of a reasonable charge) a copy of, this Deed, and further acknowledges and covenants that the obligations binding upon it contained in this Deed are owed to, and shall be for the account of, each and every Holder, prospective purchaser and Dealer, and that each Holder, prospective purchaser and Dealer shall be entitled severally to enforce those obligations against the Issuer.

#### **4. STAMP DUTIES**

The Issuer will pay any stamp and other duties and taxes, including interest and penalties, payable on or in connection with the execution of this Deed and any action taken by any Holder, prospective purchaser or Dealer to enforce the provisions of this Deed.

#### **5. WARRANTIES**

The Issuer represents, warrants and covenants with each Holder, prospective purchaser and Dealer that it has all corporate power, and has taken all necessary corporate or other steps, to enable it to execute, deliver and perform this Deed, and that this Deed constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable in accordance with its terms subject to the laws of bankruptcy and other laws affecting the rights of creditors generally.

#### **6. GOVERNING LAW**

- 6.1 This Deed and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of England.
- 6.2 The Issuer irrevocably agrees for the benefit of the Holders, the prospective purchasers and the Dealers that the courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with this Deed (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) and accordingly any suit, action or proceedings (Proceedings) arising out of or in connection with this Deed (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) may be brought in such courts.
- 6.3 The Issuer irrevocably waives any objection which it may have to the laying of the venue of any Proceedings in any such courts and any claim that any Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and further irrevocably agrees that a judgment in any Proceedings brought in the English courts shall be conclusive and binding upon it and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction. Nothing contained in this clause shall limit any right to take Proceedings against the Issuer in any other court of competent jurisdiction, nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction, whether concurrently or not.
- 6.4 The Issuer appoints DNB Bank ASA at its registered office at 8th Floor, The Walbrook Building, 25 Walbrook, London, EC4N 8AF, England as its agent for service of process, and undertakes that, in the event of DNB Bank ASA ceasing so to act or ceasing to be registered in England, it will appoint another person, as the Arranger may approve, as its agent for the service of process in England in respect of any Proceedings. Nothing in this clause shall affect the right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.
- 6.5 The Issuer irrevocably and unconditionally waives with respect to this Deed any right to claim sovereign or other immunity from jurisdiction or execution and any similar defence and irrevocably and unconditionally consents to the giving of any relief or the issue of any process, including without limitation, the making, enforcement or execution against any property whatsoever (irrespective of its use or intended use) of any order or judgment made or given in connection with any Proceedings.

IN WITNESS whereof this Deed has been entered into as a deed poll by the Issuer on the date which appears first on page 1.

Executed as a deed )  
by SPAREBANK 1 )  
BOLIGKREDITT AS )  
acting on the authority )  
of that company )  
in the presence of: )

Witness: .....

Name: .....

Address: .....

acting on the authority )  
of that company )  
in the presence of: )

Witness: .....

Name: .....

Address: .....]

## SCHEDULE 8

### FORM OF TRANSFER CERTIFICATE

*[This certificate is not required for transfers of interests in a Registered Global Note to persons who wish to hold the transferred interest in the same Registered Global Note]*

[DATE]

To: CITIBANK N.A. as Agent  
CITIBANK N.A. as Registrar  
SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS

**SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS (the Issuer)**  
**[Title of Series of Notes] (the Notes)**  
**issued pursuant to a Global Medium Term Note Programme (the Programme)**

Reference is made to the terms and conditions of the Notes (the **Conditions**) set out in Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement (the **Agency Agreement**) dated 30 August 2007, as supplemented, amended, novated or restated from time to time, between the Issuer and the other parties named in it relating to the Programme. Terms defined in the Conditions or the Agency Agreement shall have the same meanings when used in this Certificate unless otherwise stated.

This certificate relates to *[insert Specified Currency and nominal amount of Notes]* of Notes which are held in the form of [beneficial interests in one or more Regulation S Notes (ISIN No. *[specify]*)] represented by a Regulation S Global Note]\* [beneficial interests in one or more Rule 144A Notes (ISIN No. *[specify]*)] represented by a Rule 144A Global Note] in the name of *[transferor]* (the **Transferor**). The Transferor has requested an exchange or transfer of such beneficial interest for an interest in [Regulation S Notes represented by a Regulation S Global Note]\* [Rule 144A Notes represented by a Rule 144A Global Note]\*.

In connection therewith, the Transferor certifies that such exchange or transfer has been effected in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Notes and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of the United States of America, any State of the United States of America or any other jurisdiction and any applicable rules and regulations of DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg from time to time and, accordingly, the Transferor certifies as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or in Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

***EITHER:***

- (1) the offer of the Notes was not made to a person in the United States;
- (2) either (i) the transaction was executed in, on or through the facilities of a designated offshore securities market and neither the Transferor nor any person acting on the Transferor's behalf knows that the transaction was pre-arranged with a transferee in the United States or (ii) the transferee is outside the United States, or the Transferor and any person acting on its behalf reasonably believes that the transferee is outside the United States;
- (3) no directed selling efforts have been made in contravention of the requirement of Rule 903(b) or 904(b) of Regulation S, as applicable; and

- (4) the transaction is not part of a plan or scheme to evade the registration requirements of the Securities Act.](<sup>(1)</sup>

**OR:**

[Such Notes are being transferred in accordance with Rule 144A to a transferee that the Transferor reasonably believes is purchasing the Notes for its own account or any account with respect to which the transferee and any such account is a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A, in each case in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction.](<sup>(2)</sup>

**OR:**

[The Notes are being transferred in a transaction permitted by Rule 144 under the Securities Act.](<sup>(3)</sup>

The Transferor understands that this certificate is required in connection with certain securities or other legislation in the United States and/or in connection with the Notes being eligible for clearance in one or more clearance systems. If administrative or legal proceedings are commenced or threatened in connection with which this certificate is or might be relevant, the Transferor irrevocably authorises each entity to which this certificate is addressed to produce this certificate or a copy hereof to any interested party in such proceedings.

This certificate and the statements contained herein are made for the benefit of the addressees hereof and for the benefit of the Dealers of the Notes.

[*Insert name of Transferor*]

By:

Name:

Title:

Dated:

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Notes

\* Delete as appropriate.

(1) Include as applicable. Relevant only if the proposed transfer or exchange is being made to a person holding in the form of or for a beneficial interest in one or more Regulation S Global Notes.

(2) Include as applicable. Relevant only if the proposed transfer or exchange is being made to a person holding in the form of or for a beneficial interest in one or more Rule 144A Global Notes.

(3) Include as applicable.

## **SCHEDULE 9**

### **REGISTER AND TRANSFER OF REGISTERED NOTES**

1. The Registrar shall at all times maintain in a place agreed by the Issuer the Register showing the amount of the Registered Notes from time to time outstanding and the dates of issue and all subsequent transfers and changes of ownership of the Registered Notes and the names and addresses of the holders of the Registered Notes. The holders of the Registered Notes or any of them and any person authorised by any of them may at all reasonable times during office hours inspect the Register and take copies of or extracts from it. The Register may be closed by the Issuer for such periods and at such times (not exceeding in total 30 days in any one year) as it may think fit.
2. Each Registered Note shall have an identifying serial number which shall be entered on the Register.
3. The Registered Notes are transferable by execution of the form of transfer endorsed on them under the hand of the transferor or, where the transferor is a corporation, under its common seal or under the hand of two of its officers duly authorised in writing.
4. The Registered Notes to be transferred must be delivered for registration to the specified office of the Registrar with the form of transfer endorsed on them duly completed and executed and must be accompanied by such documents, evidence and information (including, but not limited to, a Transfer Certificate) as may be required pursuant to the Conditions and such other evidence as the Issuer may reasonably require to prove the title of the transferor or his right to transfer the Registered Notes and, if the form of transfer is executed by some other person on his behalf or in the case of the execution of a form of transfer on behalf of a corporation by its officers, the authority of that person or those persons to do so.
5. The executors or administrators of a deceased holder of Registered Notes (not being one of several joint holders) and in the case of the death of one or more of several joint holders the survivor or survivors of such joint holders shall be the only person or persons recognised by the Issuer as having any title to such Registered Notes.
6. Any person becoming entitled to Registered Notes in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of the holder of such Registered Notes may upon producing such evidence that he holds the position in respect of which he proposes to act under this paragraph or of his title as the Issuer shall require be registered himself as the holder of such Registered Notes or, subject to the preceding paragraphs as to transfer, may transfer such Registered Notes. The Issuer shall be at liberty to retain any amount payable upon the Registered Notes to which any person is so entitled until such person shall be registered or shall duly transfer the Registered Notes.
7. Unless otherwise requested by him, the holder of Registered Notes of any Series shall be entitled to receive only one Registered Note in respect of his entire holding of the Series.
8. The joint holders of Registered Notes of any Series shall be entitled to one Registered Note only in respect of their joint holding of the Series which shall, except where they otherwise direct, be delivered to the joint holder whose name appears first in the Register in respect of such joint holding.
9. Where a holder of Registered Notes has transferred part only of his holding of Notes represented by a single Registered Note there shall be delivered to him without charge a Registered Note in respect of the balance of his holding.
10. The Issuer shall make no charge to the Noteholders for the registration of any holding of Registered Notes or any transfer of it or for the issue or delivery of Registered Notes in respect of the holding at

the specified office of the Registrar or by uninsured mail to the address specified by the holder. If any holder entitled to receive a Registered Note wishes to have the same delivered to him otherwise than at the specified office of the Registrar, such delivery shall be made, upon his written request to the Registrar, at his risk and (except where sent by uninsured mail to the address specified by the holder) at his expense.

11. The holder of a Registered Note may (to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws) be treated at all times, by all persons and for all purposes as the absolute owner of the Registered Note notwithstanding any notice any person may have of the right, title, interest or claim of any other person to the Registered Note. The Issuer shall not be bound to see to the execution of any trust to which any Registered Note may be subject and no notice of any trust shall be entered on the Register. The holder of a Registered Note will be recognised by the Issuer as entitled to his Registered Note free from any equity, set-off or counterclaim on the part of the Issuer against the original or any intermediate holder of such Registered Note.
12. A Registered Note may not be exchanged for a Bearer Note or *vice versa*.

## **SCHEDULE 10**

### **ADDITIONAL DUTIES OF THE AGENT**

In relation to each Series of Ordinary Notes that are NGNs, the Principal Paying Agent will comply with the following provisions:

1. The Principal Paying Agent will inform each of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (the **ICSDs**), through the common service provider appointed by the ICSDs to service the Notes (the **CSP**), of the initial issue outstanding amount (**IOA**) for each Tranche on or prior to the relevant Issue Date.
2. If any event occurs that requires a mark up or mark down of the records which an ICSD holds for its customers to reflect such customers' interest in the Notes, the Agent will (to the extent known to it) promptly provide details of the amount of such mark up or mark down, together with a description of the event that requires it, to the ICSDs (through the **CSP**) to ensure that the IOA of the Notes remains at all times accurate.
3. The Principal Paying Agent will at least once every month reconcile its record of the IOA of the Notes with information received from the ICSDs (through the CSP) with respect to the IOA maintained by the ICSDs for the Notes and will promptly inform the ICSDs (through the CSP) of any discrepancies.
4. The Principal Paying Agent will promptly assist the ICSDs (through the CSP) in resolving any discrepancy identified in the IOA of the Notes.
5. The Principal Paying Agent will promptly provide to the ICSDs (through the CSP) details of all amounts paid by it under the Notes (or, where the Notes provide for delivery of assets other than cash, of the assets so delivered).
6. The Principal Paying Agent will (to the extent known to it) promptly provide to the ICSDs (through the CSP) notice of any changes to the Notes that will affect the amount of, or date for, any payment due under the Notes.
7. The Principal Paying Agent will (to the extent known to it) promptly provide to the ICSDs (through the CSP) copies of all information that is given to the holders of the Notes.
8. The Principal Paying Agent will promptly pass on to the Issuer all communications it receives from the ICSDs directly or through the CSP relating to the Notes.
9. The Principal Paying Agent will (to the extent known to it) promptly notify the ICSDs (through the CSP) of any failure by the Issuer to make any payment or delivery due under the Notes when due.



## **SIGNATORIES**

This Agreement has been entered into on the date stated at the beginning of this Agreement.

### **The Issuer**

SPAREBANK 1 BOLIGKREDITT AS

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**By:**

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**The Principal Paying Agent and Paying Agent**

CITIBANK N.A. LONDON BRANCH

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**By:**

**The Transfer Agent and the Exchange Agent**

CITIBANK N.A.

**By:**

**The Registrar**

CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS EUROPE AG

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**By:**