

26 June 2008

Notice of 2008 Annual General Meeting

Please be aware that there was a typographical error in the 2008 Notice of Annual General Meeting (the 'Notice'). The amount stated in the Notice for Resolution 10, the S80 authority for directors to issue new shares, was £9,493,979 whereas the correct figure is £94,936,979.

The explanation of resolution 10 on page three of the Notice refers correctly to the authority being sought for up to 33% of the issued capital, representing approximately 833,120,428 shares. The authority sought at 33% of the issued capital is consistent with previous years' authorities. The Directors currently have no intention of issuing new shares, other than in connection with the exercise of options under the Company's share schemes.

The corrected figure will be put to the Meeting to be held on 28 July 2008 and this letter will be made available on the Company's website from the date of this letter until the conclusion of the meeting.

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Company Secretary & General Counsel