USE OF THE DMO'S STANDING AND SPECIAL REPO FACILITY 20 JULY 2009

Stock(s) made available to the market under DMO's Standing Repo Facility:

Amount in GBP (nominal) Stock

83 million 5% Treasury Stock 2014 546 million 5% Treasury Gilt 2018 485 million 4 3/4% Treasury Stock 2020

Stocks available to the market under DMO's Special Repo Facility:

100 million 5% Treasury Gilt 2018 722 million 4 3/4% Treasury Stock 2020

It is intended that any additional stock created under this operation will be cancelled upon return, but the DMO will make an announcement at that time. The DMO has been given general collateral at the Bank of England's Official Bank Rate against the stock it has lent at 0.10% for the standing repo and at 0.15% for the special repo. For full terms and conditions of the Facilities, please see the DMO website at <www.dmo.gov.uk>.

Additional stock(s) is(are) NOT eligible for inclusion in FTSE indices calculations, and the amount(s) in issue following cancellation of this(these) stock(s) will remain unchanged.