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21 October 2008

PRESS NOTICE

AUCTION OF UK GOVERNMENT SECURITY (GILT)

Auction Details

Auction Date	Thursday, 30 October 2008
Issue and Settlement Date	Friday, 31 October 2008
Bidding Convention	Fully paid Bid Price (see Note 1)
Accrued Interest payable with bid	£0.596685 per £100 nominal
Auction Close	10:30am London Time

Details of Security

Title	4% Treasury Gilt 2016
Amount (nominal) for issue	£4,000 million (fungible with previous issues)
Nominal outstanding after issue	£18,032 million
Maturity Date	7 September 2016 at par
Interest Dates	7 March and 7 September
Parent ISIN Code	GB00B0V3WX43
Parent SEDOL Code	B-0V3-WX4
Strippable	Yes, since 26 May 2006
Interest Payable	Gross (see Note 2)
Next Interest Date	7 March 2009 (Standard Coupon)

“When Issued” Trading

under London Stock Exchange Rule 1530

Commences	3:30pm London Time: 21 October 2008
Closes	Close of business: 30 October 2008
“When issued” ISIN Code	GB00B3F1Z707
“When issued” SEDOL Code	B-3F1-Z70
TIDM (for trade reporting)	AUCA

Note 1: Bids may be made on either a competitive or a non-competitive basis. Details of the bidding procedures are set out in the prospectus and in the Information Memorandum. Gilt-edged Market Makers may bid by means of the Bloomberg Bond Auction System to the DMO not later than 10.30 am on Thursday, 30 October 2008.



Note 2: Holders may elect to have United Kingdom income tax deducted from interest payments, should they so wish, on application to the Registrar, Computershare Investor Services PLC.

Documentation

Prospectus DMO : 21 October 2008	www.dmo.gov.uk/documentview.aspx?docName=/gilts/public/prospectus/prosp211008b.pdf
Information Memorandum relating to the Issue, Stripping and Reconstitution of British Government Stock DMO : August 2007	www.dmo.gov.uk/documentview.aspx?docname=publications/operationalrules/infmem200807.pdf
Formulae for Calculating Gilt Prices from Yields DMO : 16 March 2005	www.dmo.gov.uk/documentview.aspx?docname=/giltsmarket/formulae/yldeqns.pdf

Applications from Members of the Approved Group of Investors

Application forms from Approved Group members must be sent to Computershare Investor Services PLC, who are acting on behalf of the DMO, at the following address: PO Box 2411, The Pavilions, Bristol, BS99 6WX to arrive not later than 10.00 am on Thursday, 30 October 2008. They may also be lodged by hand at the DMO, Eastcheap Court, 11 Philpot Lane, London, EC3M 8UD not later than 10.00 am on Thursday, 30 October 2008.

The amount payable on application in the case of a non-competitive bid made by a member of the Approved Group is £100.50 per £100 nominal of the Gilt.

Remit 2008-09

Gilt sales of £110.0 billion (cash) are planned in 2008-09 and progress against the remit is summarised in the table below.

Gilt sales v remit at 22 October 2008 (£ millions)					
	Conventional Gilts			Index-linked gilts	Total
	Short	Medium	Long		
Gilt sales to date	24,000	7,456	13,130	10,220	54,806
Total planned sales	46,000	19,800	25,200	19,000	110,000
Sales remaining	22,001	12,344	12,070	8,780	55,195
Auctions remaining	6	4	5	8	23

