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PRESS NOTICE

SYNDICATED OFFERING OF A NEW INDEX-LINKED GILT MATURING IN THE 50-YEAR AREA IN OCTOBER

The United Kingdom Debt Management Office ("the DMO") announces that, subject to market conditions, it is currently planning to syndicate a new index-linked gilt maturing in the 50-year area in the second half of October.

Further information about the conduct of the offer, including the maturity date of the bond to be syndicated and the composition of the syndicate, will be announced in due course.

The current planning assumption is that syndicated offerings will raise approximately £31.6 billion (cash) in 2011-12. The forthcoming offering will be the fifth of the 2011-12 programme, which has raised £12.4 billion to-date.

NOTES TO EDITORS

The DMO financing remit for 2011-12, published alongside the Budget on 23 March 2011, (and updated on 21 April 2011¹) included the provision for a programme of up to eight syndicated offerings to be held in 2011-12 to raise £31.6 billion (cash). The current planning assumption is that £18.1 billion will be raised by sales of index-linked gilts and £13.5 billion by sales of long-dated conventional gilts.

The DMO also announced on 23 March 2011 its intention to implement the programme of syndicated gilt offerings in 2011-12 more evenly across the year than in 2010-11 via smaller and more regular operations than in 2010-11.

¹ With the publication of the Central Government Net Cash Requirement (CGNCR) outturn for 2010-11.

The first syndicated offering of 2011-12 took place on 24 May 2011, when £3.5 billion (nominal) of 0¾% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2034 was sold, raising approximately £3.5 billion (cash).

The second syndicated offering of 2011-12 took place on 28 June 2011, when £5.0 billion (nominal) of 4% Treasury Gilt 2060 was sold, raising approximately £4.8 billion (cash).

The third syndicated offering of 2011-12 took place on 26 July 2011, when £4.0 billion (nominal) of 0¾% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2034 was sold, raising approximately £4.1 billion (cash).

On 31 August 2011, the DMO announced that it will syndicate a new conventional gilt maturing in 2052 in the week commencing 26 September, and announced plans for two syndicated offerings in October-December: the sale of index-linked gilts in the second half of October and the second half of November (with all timings subject to confirmation depending on market conditions nearer the time).

This press notice will be appearing on the DMO's website at: www.dmo.gov.uk