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PRESS NOTICE

SYNDICATION OF AN INDEX-LINKED GILT WITH A MATURITY IN THE 40-YEAR AREA IN THE WEEK COMMENCING 28 NOVEMBER 2016

The UK Debt Management Office (DMO) is announcing today that the fifth syndication of the 2016-17 programme will be the sale of an index-linked gilt with a maturity in the 40-year area. The transaction is expected to take place in the week commencing 28 November 2016, subject to market and demand conditions.

Further details of the sale, including the precise maturity of the gilt to be sold and the composition of the syndicate, will be announced in due course.

Notes for editors

The DMO's financing remit for 2016-17, published alongside the Budget on 16 March 2016, included the provision for a programme of syndicated offerings to be held in 2016-17 aiming to raise a minimum of £25.5 billion (split £16.0 billion index-linked gilts and £9.5 billion long conventional gilts). The DMO also announced that it envisaged holding six syndicated offerings (four of index-linked gilts and two of long conventional gilts) in 2016-17.

Any type and maturity of gilt can be sold through syndication; however, the DMO's current planning assumption is that the syndication programme in 2016-17 will largely be used to launch new long conventional and index-linked gilts and/or for re-openings of high duration gilts.

The size of the syndication programme can be increased in-year via accessing an initially unallocated portion of issuance, which can be used to issue any type or maturity of gilt via any issuance method. The initial size of the unallocated portion of issuance was £8.0 billion.

Given the strength and quality of demand received at the syndications of 0½% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2046 on 24 May 2016, 0½% Index-linked Treasury Gilt

2065 on 26 July 2016 and 2½% Treasury Gilt 2065 on 25 October 2016, a total of £2.25 billion of the unallocated portion of issuance has been re-allocated to the gilt syndication programme, increasing the minimum size of the overall programme to £27.75 billion.

On 31 August 2016, the DMO announced the planned sale of an index-linked gilt with a maturity in the 30-year area or longer in the second half of November, with the timing being subject to market and demand conditions.

Four syndications have been held to date in 2016-17; the results are summarised in the table below.

Date	Gilt	Size (£mn nom)	Issue Price (£)	Issue Yield (%)	Proceeds (£mn cash)
26 Apr 2016	2½% Treasury Gilt 2065	4,750	106.164	2.291	5,033
24 May 2016	0⅞% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2046	3,500	131.617	-0.810	4,655
26 Jul 2016	0⅞% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2065	2,500	201.335	-1.325	5,058
25 Oct 2016	2½% Treasury Gilt 2065	4,000	130.500	1.597	5,212
<i>Figures may not sum due to rounding</i>					19,959

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