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7 October 2008

PRESS NOTICE

AUCTION OF UK GOVERNMENT SECURITY (GILT)

Auction Details

Auction Date	Thursday, 16 October 2008
Issue and Settlement Date	Friday, 17 October 2008
Bidding Convention	Fully paid Bid Price (see Note 1)
Accrued Interest payable with bid	£0.497238 per £100 nominal
Auction Close	10:30am London Time

Details of Security

Title	4½% Treasury Gilt 2013
Amount (nominal) for issue	£3,750 million (fungible with previous issues)
Nominal outstanding after issue	£13,323 million
Maturity Date	7 March 2013 at par
Interest Dates	7 March – 7 September
Parent ISIN Code	GB00B29WRG55
Parent SEDOL Code	B-29W-RG5
Strippable	Yes, since 13 June 2008
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: 7 October 2008
Closes	Close of business: 16 October 2008
“When issued” ISIN Code	GB00B3D3TQ56
“When issued” SEDOL Code	B-3D3-TQ5
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, 16 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 : 7 October 2008	www.dmo.gov.uk/documentview.aspx?docName=/gilts/public/prospectus/prosp071008.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/yldegns.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, 16 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, 16 October 2008.

The amount payable on application in the case of a non-competitive bid made by a member of the Approved Group is £105 per £100 nominal of the Gilt.

Remit 2008-09

Gilt sales of £80.0 billion (cash) are planned in 2008-09 and progress against the remit is summarised in the table below.

Gilt sales v remit at 8 October 2008 (£ millions)					
	Conventional Gilts			Index-linked gilts	Total
	Short	Medium	Long		
Gilt sales to date	14,448	7,456	13,130	10,220	45,254
Total planned sales	25,000	12,800	24,200	18,000	80,000
Total auctions planned	7	5	11	18	41
Sales remaining	10,552	5,344	11,070	7,780	34,746
Auctions remaining	3	2	5	8	18

