

A Discloseable Transaction Circular dated 21 September 2007 relating to the agreement to acquire a majority shareholding in Korea Exchange Bank has been sent to shareholders today.

Copies of the circular have been submitted to the UK Listing Authority, and will shortly be available for inspection at the UK Listing Authority's Document Viewing Facility at the address shown below:

UK Listing Authority, Document Viewing Facility:

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