TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE COVERED BONDS

The following are the Terms and Conditions of the Covered Bonds (with the exception of the N Covered Bonds) which will be incorporated by reference into, and (as completed by the applicable Final Terms Document in relation to a Tranche of Covered Bonds) apply to, each Global Covered Bond (as defined below) and each Definitive Covered Bond (as defined below), in the latter case only if permitted by the relevant stock exchange or other relevant authority (if any) and agreed by the Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s) at the time of issue but, if not so permitted and agreed, such Definitive Covered Bond will have endorsed thereon or attached thereto such Terms and Conditions. The applicable Final Terms Document (or the relevant provisions thereof) will be endorsed on, or attached to, each Global Covered Bond and Definitive Covered Bond. Reference should be made to "Form of Final Terms Document" for a description of the content of the Final Terms Document which will specify which of such terms are to apply in relation to the relevant Covered Bonds. References to "unlisted Covered Bonds" in the Terms and Conditions set out below shall be in relation to unlisted Covered Bonds which will not be issued pursuant to (and do not form part of) this Prospectus, and will not be issued pursuant to any Final Terms Document under this Prospectus.

In relation to the N Covered Bonds and any Series thereof, the terms and conditions of such N Covered Bonds shall be as set out in the N Covered Bond and the N Covered Bond Conditions attached as Schedule 1 thereto, together with the N Covered Bond Agreement.

This Covered Bond is one of a Series (as defined below) of Covered Bonds issued by Santander UK plc (the "Issuer") constituted by a trust deed (such trust deed as modified and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the "Trust Deed") dated 3 June 2005 (the "Programme Date") and as supplemented on 16 August 2005, 4 October 2007, 20 May 2008, 8 September 2009, 8 November 2010, 9 September 2011, 29 June 2012, 12 July 2013, 25 June 2014, 1 June 2016, 24 April 2018, 19 September 2018, 18 April 2019, 7 February 2020, 14 April 2020 and 15 June 2020 and made between, among others, the Issuer, Abbey Covered Bonds LLP (the "LLP") and Deutsche Trustee Company Limited as bond trustee (in such capacity, the "Bond Trustee", which expression shall include any successor as Bond Trustee) and as security trustee (in such capacity, the "Security Trustee", which expression shall include any successor as Security Trustee).

Save as provided for in Conditions 9 (Events of Default, Acceleration and Enforcement) and 14 (Meetings of Covered Bondholders, Modification, Waiver and Substitution), references herein to the "Covered Bonds" shall be references to the Covered Bonds of this Series and shall mean:

- (a) any global covered bond representing Covered Bonds (a "Global Covered Bond");
- (b) in relation to any Covered Bonds represented by a Global Covered Bond, units of the lowest Specified Denomination in the Specified Currency;
- (c) any definitive Covered Bonds in bearer form ("**Bearer Definitive Covered Bonds**") issued in exchange for a Global Covered Bond in bearer form; and
- (d) any definitive Covered Bonds in registered form ("**Registered Definitive Covered Bonds**" and, together with Bearer Definitive Covered Bonds, "**Definitive Covered Bonds**") (whether or not issued in exchange for a Global Covered Bond in registered form).

The Covered Bonds, the Receipts (as defined below) and the Coupons (as defined below) have the benefit of an agency agreement (such agency agreement as amended and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the "Agency Agreement") dated the Programme Date as amended and restated on or about 25 June 2014 and made between, among others, the Issuer, the LLP, the Bond Trustee, the Security Trustee, Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch, as issuing and principal paying agent and agent bank (in such capacity, the "Principal Paying Agent", which expression shall include any successor principal paying agent and, together with the Registrar, the "Paying Agents", which expression shall include any additional or successor paying agents) and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas as registrar (the "Registrar", which expression shall include any successor registrar, and, together with any transfer agent appointed thereunder, the "Transfer Agents", which expression shall include any successor exchange agent (in such capacity, the "Exchange Agent", which expression shall include any successor exchange agent, and together with the Paying Agents, the Transfer Agents and any Calculation Agent referred to below, the "Agents").

Interest-bearing Bearer Definitive Covered Bonds have (unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Final Terms Document) interest coupons ("Coupons") and, if indicated in the applicable Final Terms Document, talons for further Coupons ("Talons") attached on issue. Any reference herein to Coupons or coupons shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be deemed to include a reference to Talons or talons. Bearer Definitive Covered Bonds repayable in instalments have receipts ("Receipts") for the payment of the instalments of principal (other than the final instalment) attached on issue. Registered Covered Bonds and Global Covered Bonds do not have Receipts, Coupons or Talons attached on issue.

The Final Terms Document for the Covered Bonds (or the relevant provisions thereof) is endorsed on or attached to this Covered Bond and completes these Terms and Conditions (the "**Terms and Conditions**" or the "**Conditions**").). References to the "**applicable Final Terms Document**" are to the Final Terms Document (or the relevant provisions thereof) endorsed on or attached to this Covered Bond.

The Bond Trustee acts for the benefit of the holders for the time being of the Covered Bonds (the "Covered Bondholders", which expression shall, in relation to any Covered Bonds represented by a Global Covered Bond, be construed as provided below), the holders of the Receipts (the "Receiptholders") and the holders of the Coupons (the "Couponholders", which expression shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include the holders of the Talons), and for the holders of each other Series of Covered Bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Trust Deed.

As used herein, "**Tranche**" means Covered Bonds which are identical in all respects (including as to listing and admission to trading) and "**Series**" means a Tranche of Covered Bonds together with any further Tranche or Tranches of Covered Bonds which are (i) expressed to be consolidated and form a single series and (ii) identical in all respects (including as to listing and admission to trading) except for their respective Issue Dates, Interest Commencement Dates and/or Issue Prices.

The LLP has, in the Trust Deed, irrevocably and unconditionally guaranteed the due and punctual payment of Guaranteed Amounts in respect of the Covered Bonds as and when the same shall become Due for Payment, but only after service of a Notice to Pay on the LLP following service of an Issuer Acceleration Notice on the Issuer (after the occurrence of an Issuer Event of Default) or service of an LLP Acceleration Notice on the LLP (after the occurrence of an LLP Event of Default).

The security for the obligations of the LLP under the Covered Bond Guarantee and the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party has been created in and pursuant to, and on the terms set out in, a deed of charge (such deed of charge as amended and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the "**Deed of Charge**") dated the Programme Date and made between the LLP, the Bond Trustee, the Security Trustee and certain other Secured Creditors.

These Terms and Conditions include summaries of, and are subject to, the provisions of the Trust Deed, the Deed of Charge and the Agency Agreement.

Copies of the Trust Deed, the Deed of Charge, the Master Definitions and Construction Agreement (as defined below), the Agency Agreement and each of the other Transaction Documents are available for inspection during normal business hours at the office for the time being of the Bond Trustee being at Winchester House, 1 Great Winchester Street, London EC2N 2DB and at the specified office of each of the Paying Agents. Copies of the applicable Final Terms Document for all Covered Bonds of each Series (including in relation to unlisted Covered Bonds of any Series) are obtainable during normal business hours at the registered office of the Issuer and at the specified office of each of the Paying Agents. The N Covered Bonds (including the N Covered Bonds Conditions attached as Schedule 1 thereto and the Form of Assignment and Accession Agreement attached as Schedule 2 thereto) will only be available for inspection by a holder of such N Covered Bond provided that such holder produces evidence satisfactory to the Issuer and the Paying Agent as to its holding of such N Covered Bond and its identity. The Covered Bondholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders are deemed to have notice of, are bound by, and are entitled to the benefit of, all the provisions of, and definitions contained in, the Trust Deed, the Deed of Charge, the Master Definitions and Construction Agreement, the Agency Agreement, each of the other Transaction Documents and the applicable Final Terms Document which are applicable to them and to have notice of each of the Final Terms Documents relating to each other Series.

Except where the context otherwise requires, capitalised terms used and not otherwise defined in these Terms and Conditions (including the preceding paragraphs) shall bear the meanings given to them in the applicable Final Terms Document and/or the master definitions and construction agreement made between

the parties to the Transaction Documents on or about the Programme Date (as amended and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the "Master Definitions and Construction Agreement"), a copy of each of which may be obtained as described above.

1. Form, Denomination and Title

The Covered Bonds are in bearer form or in registered form as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document and, in the case of Definitive Covered Bonds, serially numbered, in the Specified Currency and the Specified Denomination(s). Covered Bonds of one Specified Denomination may not be exchanged for Covered Bonds of another Specified Denomination and Bearer Covered Bonds may not be exchanged for Registered Covered Bonds and *vice versa*.

The Covered Bonds in this Series may be Fixed Rate Covered Bonds, Floating Rate Covered Bonds, Zero Coupon Covered Bonds or a combination of any of the foregoing, depending upon the Interest Basis shown in the applicable Final Terms Document. Prior to issuing this Series of Covered Bonds (if such Covered Bonds are not Fixed Rate Covered Bonds or Floating Rate Covered Bonds), the Issuer has obtained confirmation from each of the Rating Agencies that the Covered Bonds of this Series will have the same ratings as the ratings of the Covered Bonds of all Series then outstanding and that the ratings of the Covered Bonds of all Series then outstanding will not be adversely affected or withdrawn as a result of the issuance of this Series of Covered Bonds

The Issuer will not issue unlisted Covered Bonds without first agreeing certain conditions precedent to their issue with the Rating Agencies and will not issue Covered Bonds that are not principal-protected.

The Covered Bonds in this Series may be Instalment Covered Bonds, Hard Bullet Covered Bonds or a combination of either of the foregoing depending upon the Redemption/Payment Basis shown in the applicable Final Terms Document. The Covered Bonds in this Series will be Money Market Covered Bonds if so shown in the applicable Final Terms Document.

Bearer Definitive Covered Bonds are issued with Coupons attached, unless they are Zero Coupon Covered Bonds in which case references to Coupons and Couponholders in these Terms and Conditions are not applicable.

Bearer Definitive Covered Bonds are issued with Receipts, unless they are not Instalment Covered Bonds in which case references to Receipts and Receiptholders in these Terms and Conditions are not applicable.

Subject as set out below, title to the Bearer Covered Bonds, Receipts and Coupons will pass by delivery and title to the Registered Covered Bonds will pass upon registration of transfers in accordance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement. The Issuer, the LLP, the Paying Agents, the Security Trustee and the Bond Trustee will (except as otherwise required by law) deem and treat the bearer of any Bearer Covered Bond, Receipt or Coupon and the registered holder of any Registered Covered Bond as the absolute owner thereof (whether or not overdue and notwithstanding any notice of ownership or writing thereon or notice of any previous loss or theft thereof) for all purposes but, in the case of any Global Covered Bond, without prejudice to the provisions set out in the next succeeding paragraph.

For so long as any of the Covered Bonds is represented by a Global Covered Bond held on behalf of or, as the case may be, registered in the name of a common depositary or common safekeeper for Euroclear Bank SA/NV ("Euroclear") and/or Clearstream Banking S.A. ("Clearstream, Luxembourg") and/or The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") or its nominee, each person (other than Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or DTC) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or DTC as the holder of a particular nominal amount of such Covered Bonds (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or DTC as to the nominal amount of such Covered Bonds standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error and any such certificate or other document may comprise any form of statement or print out of electronic records provided by the relevant clearing system (including, without limitation, Euroclear's EUCLID or Clearstream's Cedcom system) in accordance with its

usual procedures and in which the holder of a particular nominal amount of the Covered Bonds is clearly identified with the amount of such holding) shall be treated by the Issuer, the LLP, the Paying Agents, the Security Trustee and the Bond Trustee as the holder of such nominal amount of such Covered Bonds for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest or other amounts on such nominal amount of such Covered Bonds, and, in the case of DTC or its nominee, voting, giving consents and making requests, for which purpose the bearer of the relevant Bearer Global Covered Bond or the registered holder of the relevant Registered Global Covered Bond shall be treated by the Issuer, the LLP, any Paying Agent, the Security Trustee and the Bond Trustee as the holder of such nominal amount of such Covered Bonds in accordance with and subject to the terms of the relevant Global Covered Bond and the expressions "Covered Bondholder" and "holder of Covered Bonds" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly.

Covered Bonds which are represented by a Global Covered Bond will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg and DTC or any other relevant clearing system, as the case may be.

References to Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or DTC shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any successor operator and/or successor clearing system and/or any additional or alternative clearing system specified in the applicable Final Terms Document or as may otherwise be approved by the Issuer, the Principal Paying Agent and the Bond Trustee.

2. Transfers of Registered Covered Bonds

2.1 Transfers of interests in Registered Global Covered Bonds

Transfers of beneficial interests in Registered Global Covered Bonds will be effected by Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or DTC, as the case may be, and, in turn, by other participants and, if appropriate, indirect participants in such clearing systems acting on behalf of beneficial transferors and transferees of such interests. The laws in some States within the United States require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer Covered Bonds represented by a Registered Global Covered Bond to such persons may depend upon the ability to exchange such Covered Bonds for Covered Bonds in definitive form. Similarly, because DTC can only act on behalf of Direct Participants in the DTC system who in turn act on behalf of Indirect Participants, the ability of a person having an interest in Covered Bonds represented by a Registered Global Covered Bond accepted by DTC to pledge such Covered Bonds to persons or entities that do not participate in the DTC system or otherwise to take action in respect of such Covered Bonds may depend upon the ability to exchange such Covered Bonds for Covered Bonds in definitive form. A beneficial interest in a Registered Global Covered Bond will, subject to compliance with all applicable legal and regulatory restrictions, be exchangeable for Registered Definitive Covered Bonds or for a beneficial interest in another Registered Global Covered Bond only in the authorised denominations set out in the applicable Final Terms Document and only in accordance with the rules and operating procedures for the time being of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or DTC, as the case may be, and in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in the Agency Agreement. Transfers of a Rule 144A Global Covered Bond registered in the name of a nominee for DTC shall be limited to transfers of such Rule 144A Global Covered Bond, in whole but not in part, to another nominee of DTC or to a successor of DTC or to such successor's nominee.

2.2 Transfers of Registered Covered Bonds in definitive form

Subject as provided in Conditions 2.3 (Registration of transfer upon partial redemption), 2.4 (Costs of registration), 2.5 (Transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Covered Bonds in the United States or to U.S. persons) and 2.6 (Transfers of interests in Rule 144A Covered Bonds), upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Agency Agreement, a Registered Definitive Covered Bond may be transferred in whole or in part in the authorised denominations set out in the applicable Final Terms Document. In order to effect any such transfer (a) the holder or holders must (i) surrender the Registered Covered Bond for registration of the transfer of the Registered Covered Bond (or the relevant part of the Registered Covered Bond) at the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent, with the form of transfer thereon duly executed by

the holder or holders thereof or his or their attorney or attorneys duly authorised in writing, and (ii) complete and deposit such other certifications as may be required by the Registrar or, as the case may be, the relevant Transfer Agent, and (b) the Registrar or, as the case may be, the relevant Transfer Agent must, after due and careful enquiry, be satisfied with the documents of title and the identity of the person making the request.

Any such transfer will be subject to such reasonable regulations as the Issuer, the Bond Trustee and the Registrar may from time to time prescribe (the initial such regulations being set out in the Agency Agreement).

Subject as provided above, the Registrar or, as the case may be, the relevant Transfer Agent will, within three business days (being for this purpose a day on which banks are open for business in the city where the specified office of the Registrar or, as the case may be, the relevant Transfer Agent is located) of the request (or such longer period as may be required to comply with any applicable fiscal or other laws or regulations), authenticate and deliver, or procure the authentication and delivery of, at its specified office to the transferee or (at the risk of the transferee) send by uninsured mail to such address as the transferee may request, a new Registered Definitive Covered Bond of a like aggregate nominal amount to the Registered Definitive Covered Bond (or the relevant part of the Registered Definitive Covered Bond) transferred.

In the case of the transfer of part only of a Registered Definitive Covered Bond, a new Registered Definitive Covered Bond in respect of the balance of the Registered Definitive Covered Bond not transferred will (in addition to the new Registered Definitive Covered Bond in respect of the nominal amount transferred) be so authenticated and delivered or (at the risk of the transferor) sent by uninsured mail to the address specified by the transferor.

2.3 Registration of transfer upon partial redemption

In the event of a partial redemption of Covered Bonds under Condition 6 (*Redemption and Purchase*), the Issuer shall not be required to register the transfer of any Registered Covered Bond, or part of a Registered Covered Bond, called for partial redemption.

2.4 Costs of registration

Covered Bondholders will not be required to bear the costs and expenses of effecting any registration of transfer as provided above, except for any costs or expenses of delivery other than by regular uninsured mail and except that the Issuer, Registrar or Transfer Agent may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any stamp duty, Taxes or any other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation to the registration.

2.5 Transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Covered Bonds in the United States or to U.S. persons

Prior to expiry of the applicable Distribution Compliance Period (as defined below), transfers by the holder of, or of a beneficial interest in, a Regulation S Global Covered Bond to a transferee in the United States or who is a U.S. person will only be made:

- upon receipt by the Registrar of a written certification substantially in the form set out in the Agency Agreement, amended as appropriate with the consent of the Issuer (a "Transfer Certificate"), copies of which are available from the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent, from the transferor of the Covered Bond or beneficial interest therein to the effect that such transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a QIB in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A; or
- (b) otherwise pursuant to the Securities Act or an exemption therefrom, subject to receipt by the Issuer of such satisfactory evidence as the Issuer may reasonably require, which may include an opinion of U.S. counsel, that such transfer is in compliance with any applicable securities laws of any State of the United States,

and, in each case, in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any State of the United States or any other jurisdiction.

Such transferee may only take delivery through a Rule 144A Covered Bond. Prior to the end of the applicable Distribution Compliance Period, beneficial interests in Regulation S Covered Bonds registered in the name of a nominee for DTC may only be held through the accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg. After expiry of the applicable Distribution Compliance Period (i) beneficial interests in Regulation S Global Covered Bonds registered in the name of a nominee for DTC may be held through DTC directly, by a participant in DTC, or indirectly through a participant in DTC and (ii) such certification requirements will no longer apply to such transfers.

2.6 Transfers of interests in Rule 144A Covered Bonds

Transfers of Rule 144A Covered Bonds or beneficial interests therein may be made:

- (a) to a transferee who takes delivery of such interest through a Regulation S Covered Bond, upon receipt by the Registrar of a duly completed Transfer Certificate from the transferor to the effect that such transfer is being made in accordance with Regulation S and that, in the case of a Regulation S Global Covered Bond registered in the name of a nominee for DTC, if such transfer is being made prior to expiry of the applicable Distribution Compliance Period, the interests in the Covered Bonds being transferred will be held immediately thereafter through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg;
- (b) to a transferee who takes delivery of such interest through a Rule 144A Covered Bond, where the transferee is a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a QIB in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A, without certification; or
- (c) otherwise pursuant to the Securities Act or an exemption therefrom, subject to receipt by the Issuer of such satisfactory evidence as the Issuer may reasonably require, which may include an opinion of U.S. counsel, that such transfer is in compliance with any applicable securities laws of any State of the United States,

and, in each case, in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any State of the United States or any other jurisdiction.

Upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Rule 144A Covered Bonds, or upon specific request for removal of any United States securities law legend on Rule 144A Covered Bonds, the Registrar shall deliver only Rule 144A Covered Bonds or refuse to remove the legend, as the case may be, unless there is delivered to the Issuer such satisfactory evidence as may reasonably be required by the Issuer, which may include an opinion of U.S. counsel, that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer set forth therein are required to ensure compliance with the provisions of the Securities Act.

2.7 **Definitions**

In these Terms and Conditions, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

"**Definitive Regulation S Covered Bond**" means a Registered Covered Bond sold to non-U.S. persons outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S, which is in definitive form;

"**Definitive Rule 144A Covered Bond**" means a Registered Covered Bond sold in the United States to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A, which is in definitive form;

"Distribution Compliance Period" means the period that ends 40 days after the later of the commencement of the offering and the Issue Date;

"QIB" means a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A;

"Regulation S" means Regulation S under the Securities Act;

"**Regulation S Covered Bond**" means a Covered Bond represented by a Regulation S Global Covered Bond or a Definitive Regulation S Covered Bond;

"Regulation S Global Covered Bond" means a Registered Global Covered Bond representing Covered Bonds sold to non-U.S. persons outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S;

"Rule 144A" means Rule 144A under the Securities Act;

"Rule 144A Covered Bond" means a Covered Bond represented by a Rule 144A Global Covered Bond or a Definitive Rule 144A Covered Bond;

"Rule 144A Global Covered Bond" means a Registered Global Covered Bond representing Covered Bonds sold in the United States to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A; and

"Securities Act" means the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

3. Status of the Covered Bonds and the Covered Bond Guarantee

3.1 Status of the Covered Bonds

The Covered Bonds and any relative Receipts and Coupons constitute direct, unconditional, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* without any preference among themselves and at least *pari passu* with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer, other than any obligations preferred by mandatory provisions of applicable law.

3.2 Status of the Covered Bond Guarantee

The payment of Guaranteed Amounts in respect of the Covered Bonds when the same shall become Due for Payment has been unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by the LLP pursuant to a guarantee (the "Covered Bond Guarantee") in the Trust Deed. However, the LLP shall have no obligation under the Covered Bond Guarantee to pay any Guaranteed Amounts when the same shall become Due for Payment under the Covered Bonds or the Trust Deed until service of a Notice to Pay by the Bond Trustee on the LLP (which the Bond Trustee will be required to serve following the occurrence of an Issuer Event of Default and service of an Issuer Acceleration Notice by the Bond Trustee on the Issuer) or, if earlier, the occurrence of an LLP Event of Default and service of an LLP Acceleration Notice by the Bond Trustee on the LLP. The obligations of the LLP under the Covered Bond Guarantee are, subject as aforesaid, direct, unconditional and unsubordinated obligations of the LLP, which are secured as provided in the Deed of Charge.

Any payment made by the LLP under the Covered Bond Guarantee shall (unless such obligation shall have been discharged as a result of the payment of Excess Proceeds to the Bond Trustee pursuant to Condition 9 (*Events of Default, Acceleration and Enforcement*)) discharge *pro tanto* the obligations of the Issuer in respect of such payment under the Covered Bonds, Receipts and Coupons, except where such payment by the LLP has been declared void, voidable or otherwise recoverable in whole or in part and recovered from the Bond Trustee or the Covered Bondholders.

As security for the LLP's obligations under the Covered Bond Guarantee and the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party, the LLP has granted fixed and floating security over all of its assets under the Deed of Charge in favour of the Security Trustee (for itself and on behalf of the other Secured Creditors).

4. Interest

4.1 Interest on Fixed Rate Covered Bonds

Each Fixed Rate Covered Bond bears interest on its Principal Amount Outstanding (as defined in Condition 4.5 (Business Day, Business Day Convention, Day Count Fractions and other adjustments), but subject to Condition 4.3 (Interest following a Notice to Pay)) from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date at the rate(s) per annum equal to the Rate(s) of Interest. Interest will be payable, subject as provided in these Terms and Conditions, in arrear on the Interest Payment Date(s) in each year up to (and including) the Final Maturity Date.

If the Covered Bonds are in definitive form, except as provided in the applicable Final Terms Document, the amount of interest payable on each Interest Payment Date in respect of the Interest Period (as defined in Condition 4.5 (*Business Day, Business Day Convention, Day Count Fractions and other adjustments*)) ending on (but excluding) such date will amount to the Fixed

Coupon Amount. Payments of interest on any Interest Payment Date will, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, amount to the Broken Amount so specified.

Except in the case of Covered Bonds in definitive form where a Fixed Coupon Amount or Broken Amount is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, interest shall be calculated in respect of any period by applying the Rate of Interest to: (i) in the case of Fixed Rate Covered Bonds which are represented by a Global Covered Bond, the aggregate outstanding nominal amount of the Fixed Rate Covered Bonds represented by such Global Covered Bond; or (ii) in the case of Fixed Rate Covered Bonds in definitive form, the Calculation Amount; and in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction (as defined in Condition 4.5 (Business Day, Business Day Convention, Day Count Fractions and other adjustments)), and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit (as defined in Condition 4.5 (Business Day, Business Day Convention, Day Count Fractions and other adjustments)) of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Fixed Rate Covered Bond in definitive form comprises more than one Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Fixed Rate Covered Bond shall be the aggregate of the amounts (determined in the manner provided above) for each Calculation Amount comprising the Specified Denomination without any further rounding.

4.2 Interest on Floating Rate Covered Bonds

(a) Interest Payment Dates

Each Floating Rate Covered Bond bears interest on its Principal Amount Outstanding (subject to Condition 4.3 (*Interest following a Notice to Pay*)) from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and such interest will be payable in arrear on either:

- (i) the Specified Interest Payment Date(s) in each year specified in the applicable Final Terms Document; or
- (ii) if no Specified Interest Payment Date(s) is/are specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, each date (each such date, together with each Specified Interest Payment Date, an "Interest Payment Date") which falls the number of months or other period specified as the Specified Period in the applicable Final Terms Document after the preceding Interest Payment Date or, in the case of the first Interest Payment Date, after the Interest Commencement Date.

Such interest will be payable in respect of each Interest Period.

(b) Rate of Interest

The Rate of Interest payable from time to time in respect of Floating Rate Covered Bonds will be determined in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms Document.

(i) ISDA Determination for Floating Rate Covered Bonds

Where ISDA Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will be the relevant ISDA Rate plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms Document) the Margin (if any). For the purposes of this subparagraph (i), "ISDA Rate" for an Interest Period means a rate equal to the Floating Rate that would be determined by the Principal Paying Agent or other person specified in the applicable Final Terms Document under an interest rate swap transaction if the Principal Paying Agent or that other person were acting as Calculation Agent for that swap transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the 2006 ISDA Definitions, as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. and as

amended and updated as at the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Covered Bonds (the "**ISDA Definitions**"), and under which:

- (A) the Floating Rate Option is as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document;
- (B) the Designated Maturity is the period specified in the applicable Final Terms Document; and
- (C) unless otherwise stated in the applicable Final Terms Document, the relevant Reset Date is the first day of that Interest Period.

For the purposes of this subparagraph (i), "Floating Rate", "Calculation Agent", "Floating Rate Option", "Designated Maturity" and "Reset Date" have the meanings given to those terms in the ISDA Definitions.

(ii) Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Covered Bonds

Where **Screen Rate Determination** is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, and the Reference Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document as being a rate other than SONIA, Compounded Daily SOFR or Average SOFR, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be either:

- (A) the offered quotation (if there is only one quotation on the Relevant Screen Page); or
- (B) the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations,

(expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate which appears or appear, as the case may be, on the Relevant Screen Page as at the Specified Time on the Interest Determination Date in question plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms Document) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Principal Paying Agent. If five or more of such offered quotations are available on the Relevant Screen Page, the highest (or, if there is more than one such highest quotation, one only of such quotations) and the lowest (or, if there is more than one such lowest quotation, one only of such quotations) shall be disregarded by the Principal Paying Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of such offered quotations.

The Agency Agreement contains provisions for determining the Rate of Interest pursuant to this subparagraph (ii) in the event that the Relevant Screen Page is not available or if, in the case of (A) above, no such offered quotation appears or, in the case of (B) above, fewer than three such offered quotations appear, in each case as at the time specified in the preceding paragraph.

Compounded Daily SONIA

Where **Screen Rate Determination** is specified for a Floating Rate Covered Bond in the applicable Final Terms Document as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined for such Covered Bond, and the Reference Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document as being Compounded Daily SONIA, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be Compounded Daily SONIA plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms Document) the Margin (if any), as calculated by the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document).

Compounded Daily SONIA means the rate of return of a daily compound interest investment (with the daily Sterling Overnight Index Average as the

Reference Rate for the calculation of interest) and will be calculated by the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) on the Interest Determination Date (i) as further specified in the applicable Final Terms Document; (ii) (if "Index Determination" is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms Document) by reference to the screen rate or index administered by the administrator of the Sterling Overnight Index Average reference rate that is published or displayed by such administrator or other information service from time to time at the relevant time on the Interest Determination Date, as further specified in the applicable Final Terms Document; or (iii) (if "Index Determination" is specified as being not applicable in the applicable Final Terms or "Index Determination" is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms Document but such screen rate or index is not available at the relevant time on the Interest Determination Date), as follows, and the resulting percentage will be rounded if necessary to the fourth decimal place, with 0.00005 being rounded upwards:

$$\left[\prod_{i=1}^{d_o} \left(1 + \frac{SONIA_{i-pLBD} \times n_i}{365} \right) - 1 \right] \times \frac{365}{d}$$

where:

d means the number of calendar days in (where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lag" or "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method) the relevant Interest Period or (where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method) the relevant SONIA Observation Period;

do means (where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lag" or "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method) for any Interest Period, the number of London Business Days in the relevant Interest Period or (where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method) for any SONIA Observation Period, the number of London Business Days in the relevant SONIA Observation Period;

i means a series of whole numbers from 1 to d_o , each representing the relevant London Business Day in chronological order from, and including, the first London Business Day (where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lag" or "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method) in the relevant Interest Period or (where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method) the SONIA Observation Period;

London Business Day or **LBD** means any day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in London;

 n_i , for any day "i", means the number of calendar days from and including such day "i" up to but excluding the following London Business Day;

SONIA Observation Period means the period from and including the date falling "p" London Business Days prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period (and the first Interest Period shall begin on and include the Interest Commencement Date) and ending on, but excluding, the date falling "p" London Business Days prior to the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period (or the date falling "p" London Business Days prior to such earlier date, if any, on which the Floating Rate Covered Bonds become due and payable);

p means (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) the number of London Business Days included in the "Observation Look-back Period", specified in the applicable Final Terms Document;

SONIA reference rate, in respect of any London Business Day, is a reference rate equal to the daily Sterling Overnight Index Average ("**SONIA**") rate for such London Business Day as provided by the administrator of SONIA to authorised distributors and as then published on the Relevant Screen Page or, if the Relevant Screen Page is unavailable, as otherwise published by such authorised distributors (on the London Business Day immediately following such London Business Day); and

SONIA_{i-pLBD} means (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document):

- (a) where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) in respect of any London Business Day *i* falling in the relevant Interest Period, the SONIA reference rate for the London Business Day falling *p* London Business Days prior to such day;
- (b) where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) during each relevant Interest Period, the SONIA reference rate determined in accordance with paragraph (a) above, except that in respect of each London Business Day *i* falling on or after the "Lock-out date" specified in the applicable Final Terms Document until the end of each relevant Interest Period, the SONIA reference rate determined in accordance with paragraph (a) above in respect of such "Lock-out date"; or
- (c) where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) *SONIA*_i, where *SONIA*_i is, in respect of any London Business Day *i* falling in the relevant SONIA Observation Period, the SONIA reference rate for such day.

Average SONIA

Where **Screen Rate Determination** is specified for a Floating Rate Covered Bond in the applicable Final Terms Document as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined for such note, and the Reference Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document as being Average SONIA, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be Average SONIA plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms Document) the Margin (if any), as calculated by the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document).

Average SONIA, in relation to any Interest Period, means the arithmetic mean of $SONIA_i$ in effect during such Interest Period and will be calculated by the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) on the Interest Determination Date as follows, and the resulting percentage will be rounded if necessary to the fourth decimal place, with 0.00005 being rounded upwards:

$$\left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{d_o} SONIA_i \times n}{d}\right] \times \frac{365}{d}$$

where:

d, *d*_o, *i*, *London Business Day*, *p* and *SONIA reference rate* have the meanings set out under the section entitled "*Compounded Daily SONIA*" above;

n, for any London Business Day, means the number of calendar days from and including such London Business Day up to but excluding the following London Business Day;

SONIAⁱ means, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document)₌ for any London Business Day *i*:

- (a) where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) the SONIA reference rate in respect of the London Business Day *i* falling *p* London Business Days prior to such day;
- (b) where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) during each relevant Interest Period, the SONIA reference rate determined in accordance with paragraph (a) above, except that in respect of each London Business Day *i* falling on or after the "Lock-out date" specified in the applicable Final Terms Document until the end of each relevant Interest Period, the SONIA determined in accordance with paragraph (a) above in respect of such "Lock-out date"; or
- (c) where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) the SONIA reference rate on the London Business Day *i*.

If, in respect of any London Business Day in the relevant SONIA Observation Period or the relevant Interest Period (as the case may be), the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) determines that the SONIA reference rate is not available on the Relevant Screen Page or has not otherwise been published by the relevant authorised distributors, such SONIA reference rate shall be: (i) the Bank of England's Bank Rate (the "Bank Rate") prevailing at close of business on the relevant London Business Day; plus (ii) the mean of the spread of the SONIA reference rate to the Bank Rate over the previous five London Business Days on which a SONIA reference rate has been published, excluding the highest spread (or, if there is more than one highest spread, one only of those highest spreads) and lowest spreads (or, if there is more than one lowest spread, one only of those lowest spreads) to the Bank Rate.

Notwithstanding the paragraph above, in the event the Bank of England publishes guidance as to (i) how the SONIA reference rate is to be determined; or (ii) any rate that is to replace the SONIA reference rate, the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) shall, subject to receiving written Instructions from the Issuer and to the extent that it is reasonably practicable, follow such guidance in order to determine SONIA_i for the purpose of the relevant Series of Floating Rate Covered Bonds for so long as the SONIA reference rate is not available or has not been published by the authorised distributors. To the extent that any amendments or modifications to the Conditions or the Transaction Documents are required in order for the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) to follow such guidance in order to determine SONIAi, the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) shall have no obligation to act until such

amendments or modifications have been made in accordance with the Conditions and the Transaction Documents.

In the event that the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions by the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document), the Rate of Interest shall be (i) that determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin or Maximum Rate of Interest or Minimum Rate of Interest is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin or Maximum Rate of Interest or Minimum Rate of Interest relating to the relevant Interest Period in place of the Margin or Maximum Rate of Interest or Minimum Rate of Interest relating to that last preceding Interest Period); or (ii) if there is no such preceding Interest Determination Date, the initial Rate of Interest which would have been applicable to such Series of Floating Rate Covered Bonds for the first Interest Period had the Floating Rate Covered Bonds been in issue for a period equal in duration to the scheduled first Interest Period but ending on (and excluding) the Interest Commencement Date (but applying the Margin and any Maximum Rate of Interest or Minimum Rate of Interest applicable to the first Interest Period).

If the relevant Series of Floating Rate Covered Bonds become due and payable in accordance with Condition 9 (*Events of Default, Acceleration and Enforcement*), the final Interest Determination Date shall, notwithstanding any Interest Determination Date specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, be deemed to be the date on which such Floating Rate Covered Bonds became due and payable and the Rate of Interest on such Floating Rate Covered Bonds shall, for so long as any such Floating Rate Covered Bond remains outstanding, be that determined on such date.

SOFR

Definitions

Business Day has the meaning set forth in Condition 4.5(a) and, if (i) the relevant Final Terms Document specify that the Reference Rate is "Compounded Daily SOFR" and (ii) a SOFR Index Cessation Date has not occurred, a US Government Securities Business Day.

OBFR means, on an Interest Payment Date, the Overnight Bank Funding Rate that appears on the Federal Reserve's website at 5:00 p.m. (New York time) for trades made on the related Interest Determination Date;

OBFR Index Cessation Date means, following the occurrence of an OBFR Index Cessation Event, the date on which the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or any successor administrator of the Overnight Bank Funding Rate), ceases to publish the Overnight Bank Funding Rate, or the date as of which the Overnight Bank Funding Rate may no longer be used, in each case as certified in writing by the Issuer to the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the rate of interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document).

OBFR Index Cessation Event means the occurrence of one or more of the following events:

(i) a public statement by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or a successor administrator of the Overnight Bank Funding Rate) announcing that it has ceased or will cease to publish or provide the Overnight Bank Funding Rate permanently

- or indefinitely, provided that, at that time, there is no successor administrator that will continue to publish or provide the Overnight Bank Funding Rate;
- (ii) the publication of information which reasonably confirms that the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or a successor administrator of the Overnight Bank Funding Rate) has ceased or will cease to provide the Overnight Bank Funding Rate permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at that time, there is no successor administrator that will continue to publish or provide the Overnight Bank Funding Rate; or
- (iii) a public statement by a regulator or other official sector entity prohibiting the use of the Overnight Bank Funding Rate that applies to, but need not be limited to, fixed income securities and derivatives, to the extent that such public statement has been acknowledged in writing by ISDA as an "OBFR index cessation event" under the 2006 ISDA Definitions as published by ISDA.

SOFR means, with respect to any US Government Securities Business Day, the rate determined in accordance with the following provisions:

- the Secured Overnight Financing Rate that appears on the Federal Reserve's website at 3:00 p.m. (New York time) on the immediately following US Government Securities Business Day;
- (ii) if the rate specified in paragraph (i) above does not so appear, and a SOFR Index Cessation Event has not occurred, then the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the rate of interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) shall use the Secured Overnight Financing Rate published on the Federal Reserve's website for the first preceding US Government Securities Business Day on which the Secured Overnight Financing Rate was published on the Federal Reserve's website;
- (iii) if a SOFR Index Cessation Date has occurred, the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the rate of interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) shall calculate SOFR as if references to SOFR were references to the rate that was recommended as (and notified by the Issuer to the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the rate of interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) being the replacement for the Secured Overnight Financing Rate by the Federal Reserve Board and/or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York or a committee officially endorsed or convened by the Federal Reserve Board and/or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for the purpose of recommending a replacement for the Secured Overnight Financing Rate (which rate may be produced by a Federal Reserve Bank or other designated administrator, and which rate may include any adjustments or spreads). If no such rate has been recommended within one US Government Securities Business Day of the SOFR Index Cessation Date, then the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the rate of interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms) shall use OBFR published on the Federal Reserve's website for any Interest Payment Date after the SOFR Index Cessation Date; and
- (iv) if the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the rate of interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) is required to use OBFR in paragraph (iii) above and an OBFR Index Cessation Date has occurred, then for any Interest Payment Date after such OBFR Index Cessation

Date, the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the rate of interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) shall use the short-term interest rate target set by the Federal Open Market Committee and published on the Federal Reserve's website, or if the Federal Open Market Committee does not target a single rate, the mid-point of the short-term interest rate target range set by the Federal Open Market Committee and published on the Federal Reserve's website (calculated as the arithmetic average of the upper bound of the target range and the lower bound of the target range).

SOFR Index Cessation Date means, following the occurrence of a SOFR Index Cessation Event, the date on which the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or any successor administrator of the Secured Overnight Financing Rate), ceases to publish the Secured Overnight Financing Rate, or the date as of which the Secured Overnight Financing Rate may no longer be used, in each case as certified in writing by the Issuer to the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the rate of interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document).

SOFR Index Cessation Event means the occurrence of one or more of the following events:

- (i) a public statement by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or a successor administrator of the Secured Overnight Financing Rate) announcing that it has ceased or will cease to publish or provide the Secured Overnight Financing Rate permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at that time, there is no successor administrator that will continue to publish or provide the Secured Overnight Financing Rate;
- (ii) the publication of information which reasonably confirms that the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or a successor administrator of the Secured Overnight Financing Rate) has ceased or will cease to provide the Secured Overnight Financing Rate permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at that time, there is no successor administrator that will continue to publish or provide the Secured Overnight Financing Rate; or
- (iii) a public statement by a regulator or other official sector entity prohibiting the use of the Secured Overnight Financing Rate that applies to, but need not be limited to, fixed income securities and derivatives, to the extent that such public statement has been acknowledged in writing by ISDA as a "SOFR index cessation event" under the 2006 ISDA Definitions as published by ISDA.

SOFR Reset Date means each US Government Securities Business Day in the relevant Interest Period, other than any US Government Securities Business Day during the period from (and including) the day following the relevant Interest Determination Date to (but excluding) the corresponding Interest Payment Date.

Compounded Daily SOFR

Where **Screen Rate Determination** is specified for a Floating Rate Covered Bond in the applicable Final Terms Document as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined for such Covered Bond and the Reference Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document as being Compounded Daily SOFR, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be Compounded Daily SOFR plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms Document) the Margin (if any).

Compounded Daily SOFR means the rate of return of a daily compound interest investment (with the daily Secured Overnight Financing Rate as the Reference Rate for the calculation of interest) and will be calculated by the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) on the Interest Determination Date (i) as further specified in the applicable Final Terms Document; (ii) (if "Index Determination" is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms Document) by reference to the screen rate or index administered by the administrator of the Secured Overnight Financing Rate that is published or displayed by such administrator or other information service from time to time at the relevant time on the Interest Determination Date, as further specified in the applicable Final Terms Document; or (iii) (if "Index Determination" is specified as being not applicable in the applicable Final Terms Document or "Index Determination" is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms Document but such screen rate or index is not available at the relevant time on the Interest Determination Date), as follows, and the resulting percentage will be rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards:

$$\left[\prod_{i=1}^{d_o} \left(1 + \frac{SOFR_{i-pUSBD} \times n_i}{360} \right) - 1 \right] \times \frac{360}{d}$$

where:

d means the number of calendar days in (where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lag" or "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method) the relevant Interest Period or (where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method) the relevant SOFR Observation Period;

d₀, means (where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lag" or "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method) for any Interest Period, the number of U.S. Government Securities Business Days in the relevant Interest Period or (where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method) for any SOFR Observation Period, the number of U.S. Government Securities Business Days in the relevant SOFR Observation Period;

i means a series of whole numbers from 1 to d₀, each representing the relevant U.S. Government Securities Business Days in chronological order from, and including, the first U.S. Government Securities Business Day (where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lag" or "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method) in the relevant Interest Period or (where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method) the relevant SOFR Observation Period;

 n_i , for any U.S. Government Securities Business Day, means the number of calendar days from and including, such U.S. Government Securities Business Day up to but excluding the following U.S. Government Securities Business Day;

p means (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) the number of U.S. Government Securities Business Days included in the "Observation Look-back Period" specified in the applicable Final Terms Document;

SOFR_{i-pUSBD} means (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document):

(i) where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) in respect of any U.S. Government Securities Business Day *i* falling in the relevant Interest Period, the SOFR for the U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to such day;

- (ii) where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) during each relevant Interest Period, the SOFR determined in accordance with paragraph (i) above, except that in respect of each U.S. Government Securities Business Day *i* falling on or after the "Lock-out date" specified in the applicable Final Terms Document until the end of each relevant Interest Period, the SOFR determined in accordance with paragraph (i) above in respect of such "Lock-out date"; or
- (iii) where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) *SOFRi*, where *SOFRi* is, in respect of any U.S. Government Securities Business Day *i* falling in the relevant SOFR Observation Period, the SOFR for such day; and

SOFR Observation Period means in respect of each Interest Period, the period from and including the date falling p U.S. Government Securities Business Days preceding the first date in such Interest Period to but excluding the date falling p U.S. Government Securities Business Days preceding the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period.

US Government Securities Business Day or **USBD** means any day except for a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (or any successor thereto) recommends that the fixed income departments of its members be closed for the entire day for purposes of trading in U.S. government securities.

Average SOFR

Where **Screen Rate Determination** is specified for a Floating Rate Covered Bond in the applicable Final Terms Document as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined for such Covered Bond, and the Reference Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document as being Average SOFR, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be Average SOFR plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms Document) the Margin (if any).

Average SOFR, in relation to any Interest Period, means the arithmetic mean of $SOFR_i$ in effect during such Interest Period and will be calculated by the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) on the Interest Determination Date as follows, and the resulting percentage will be rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards:

$$\left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{d_o} SOFR_i \times n}{d}\right] \times \frac{360}{d}$$

where \mathbf{d} , \mathbf{d}_o , \mathbf{i} , \mathbf{n}_i and \mathbf{p} have the meanings set out under the section entitled "Compounded Daily SOFR" above.

 $SOFR_i$ means (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document), for any U.S. Government Securities Business Day i:

- (i) where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) the SOFR in respect of the U.S. Government Securities Business Day *i* falling *p* U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to such day;
- (ii) where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Lock-out" is specified as the Observation Method, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) during each relevant Interest Period, the SOFR determined in accordance with paragraph (i) above, except that in respect of each U.S.

Government Securities Business Day *i* falling on or after the "Lock-out date" specified in the applicable Final Terms Document until the end of each relevant Interest Period, the SOFR determined in accordance with paragraph (i) above in respect of such "Lock-out date"; or

(iii) where in the applicable Final Terms Document "Shift" is specified as the Observation Method, (save as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) the SOFR on the U.S. Government Securities Business Day *i*.

(c) Minimum Rate of Interest and/or Maximum Rate of Interest

If the applicable Final Terms Document for a Floating Rate Covered Bond specifies a Minimum Rate of Interest for any Interest Period, then, in the event that the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (b) above is less than such Minimum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Minimum Rate of Interest.

If the applicable Final Terms Document for a Floating Rate Covered Bond specifies a Maximum Rate of Interest for any Interest Period, then, in the event that the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (b) above is greater than such Maximum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Maximum Rate of Interest.

(d) Determination of Rate of Interest and calculation of Interest Amounts

The Principal Paying Agent, in the case of Floating Rate Covered Bonds will, at or as soon as practicable after each time at which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, determine the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period.

The Principal Paying Agent will calculate the amount of interest (the "Interest Amount") payable on the Floating Rate Covered Bonds for the relevant Interest Period by applying the Rate of Interest to:

- (i) in the case of Floating Rate Covered Bonds which are represented by a Global Covered Bond, the aggregate outstanding nominal amount of the Covered Bonds represented by such Global Covered Bond; or
- (ii) in the case of Floating Rate Covered Bonds in definitive form, the Calculation Amount,

and, in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Floating Rate Covered Bond in definitive form comprises more than one Calculation Amount, the Interest Amount payable in respect of such Covered Bond shall be the aggregate of the amounts (determined in the manner provided above) for each Calculation Amount comprising the Specified Denomination without any further rounding.

(e) Notification of Rate of Interest and Interest Amounts

The Principal Paying Agent will cause the Rate of Interest and each Interest Amount for each Interest Period and the relevant Interest Payment Date to be notified to the Issuer, the LLP, the Bond Trustee and to any stock exchange or other relevant competent authority or quotation system on which the relevant Floating Rate Covered Bonds are for the time being listed, quoted and/or traded or by which they have been admitted to listing or trading and to be published in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) as soon as possible after their determination but in no event later than the fourth Business Day (as defined in Condition 4.5 (*Business Day, Business Day Convention, Day Count Fractions and other adjustments*)) thereafter. Each Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date so notified may subsequently be amended (or appropriate alternative arrangements made by way of adjustment) without notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the

Interest Period. Any such amendment or alternative arrangements will be promptly notified to the Bond Trustee and each stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the relevant Floating Rate Covered Bonds are for the time being listed, quoted and/or traded or by which they have been admitted to listing or trading and to Covered Bondholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

(f) Certificates to be final

All certificates, communications, opinions, determinations, calculations, quotations and decisions given, expressed, made or obtained for the purposes of the provisions of this Condition 4.2, whether by the Principal Paying Agent, the Calculation Agent or the Bond Trustee shall (in the absence of wilful default, bad faith or manifest error) be binding on the Issuer, the LLP, the Principal Paying Agent, the Calculation Agent, the other Paying Agents, the Bond Trustee and all Covered Bondholders, Receiptholders and Couponholders and (in the absence of wilful default, negligence, bad faith or fraud) no liability to the Issuer, the LLP, the Covered Bondholders, the Receiptholders or the Couponholders shall attach to the Principal Paying Agent, the Calculation Agent or the Bond Trustee in connection with the exercise or non-exercise by it of its powers, duties and discretions pursuant to such provisions.

4.3 Interest following a Notice to Pay

If a Notice to Pay is served on the LLP, the LLP shall, in accordance with the terms of the Trust Deed, pay Guaranteed Amounts corresponding to the amounts of interest described under Condition 4.1 (*Interest on Fixed Rate Covered Bonds*) or 4.2 (*Interest on Floating Rate Covered Bonds*) (as the case may be) under the Covered Bond Guarantee in respect of the Covered Bonds on the Original Due for Payment Dates and, if applicable, the Extended Due for Payment Date.

4.4 Accrual of interest

Interest (if any) will cease to accrue on each Covered Bond (or in the case of the redemption of part only of a Covered Bond, that part only of such Covered Bond) on the due date for redemption thereof unless, upon due presentation thereof, payment of principal is improperly withheld or refused or unless default is otherwise made in respect of payment, in which event, interest will continue to accrue as provided in Condition 6.12 (*Late Payment*).

4.5 Business Day, Business Day Convention, Day Count Fractions and other adjustments

- (a) In these Terms and Conditions, "Business Day" means:
 - (i) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in London and any Additional Business Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms Document; and
 - either (A) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (if other than London and any Additional Business Centre) or as otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms Document or (B) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer payment system (TARGET2), which utilises a single shared platform and which was launched on 19 November 2007 (the "TARGET System"), is open.
- (b) If a "**Business Day Convention**" is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document and (x) if there is no numerically corresponding day in the calendar month in which an Interest Payment Date should occur or (y) if any Interest Payment Date would otherwise

fall on a day which is not a Business Day, then, if the Business Day Convention specified is:

- in any case where Specified Periods are specified in accordance with Condition 4.2(b)(ii) (Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Covered Bonds), the "Floating Rate Convention", such Interest Payment Date (A) in the case of (x) above, shall be the last day that is a Business Day in the relevant month and the provisions of (II) below shall apply mutatis mutandis, or (B) in the case of (y) above, shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event (I) such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day, and (II) each subsequent Interest Payment Date shall be the last Business Day in the month which falls the Specified Period after the preceding applicable Interest Payment Date occurred; or
- (ii) the "**Following Business Day Convention**", such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day; or
- (iii) the "Modified Following Business Day Convention", such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day; or
- (iv) the "**Preceding Business Day Convention**", such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day.
- (c) "Day Count Fraction" means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest for any Interest Period:
 - (i) if "Actual/Actual (ICMA)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document:
 - (A) in the case of Covered Bonds where the number of days in the relevant period from (and including) the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the relevant payment date (the "Accrual Period") is equal to or shorter than the Determination Period (as defined in Condition 4.5(d) (Business Day, Business Day Convention, Day Count Fractions and other adjustments)) during which the Accrual Period ends, the number of days in such Accrual Period divided by the product of (I) the number of days in such Determination Period and (II) the number of Determination Dates (as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) that would occur in one calendar year; or
 - (B) in the case of Covered Bonds where the Accrual Period is longer than the Determination Period during which the Accrual Period ends, the sum of (I) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the Determination Period in which the Accrual Period begins divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Dates that would occur in one calendar year; and (II) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the next Determination Period divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Dates that would occur in one calendar year;
 - (ii) if "Actual/Actual" or "Actual/Actual (ISDA)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of that Interest Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (i) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a

leap year divided by 366, and (ii) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);

- (iii) if "**Actual/365 (Fixed)**" is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365;
- (iv) if "**Actual/365** (**Sterling**)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365 or, in the case of an Interest Payment Date falling in a leap year, 366;
- (v) if "**Actual/360**" is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360;
- (vi) if "30/360", "360/360" or "Bond Basis" is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction =
$$[360 \times (Y2 - Y1)] + [30 \times (M2 - M1)] + (D2 - D1)$$

 360

where:

"Y1" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"Y2" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"M1" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"M2" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"D1" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless such number is 31, in which case D1 will be 30; and

"D2" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31 and D1 is greater than 29, in which case D2 will be 30;

(vii) if "30E/360" or "Eurobond Basis" is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction =
$$[360 \times (Y2 - Y1)] + [30 \times (M2 - M1)] + (D2 - D1)$$

360

where:

"Y1" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"Y2" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"M1" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"M2" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"D1" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D1 will be 30; and

"D2" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D2 will be 30;

(viii) if "30E/360 (ISDA)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction =
$$[360 \times (Y2 - Y1)] + [30 \times (M2 - M1)] + (D2 - D1)$$

360

where:

"Y1" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"Y2" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"M1" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"M2" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"D1" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D1 will be 30; and

"D2" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February but not the Final Maturity Date or (ii) such number would be 31 and D2 will be 30; or

- (ix) such other Day Count Fraction as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms Document.
- (d) "Determination Period" means each period from (and including) a Determination Date to (but excluding) the next Determination Date (including, where either the Interest Commencement Date or the final Interest Payment Date is not a Determination Date, the period commencing on the first Determination Date prior to, and ending on the first Determination Date falling after, such date).
- (e) "Fixed Interest Period" means the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date.
- (f) "Interest Period" means the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date.
- (g) "Principal Amount Outstanding" means, in respect of a Covered Bond on any day the principal amount of that Covered Bond on the relevant Issue Date thereof less principal amounts received by the relevant Covered Bondholder in respect thereof on or prior to that day.
- (h) If "adjusted" is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document against the Day Count Fraction, interest in respect of the relevant Interest Period shall be payable in arrear on the relevant Interest Payment Date and calculated from (and including) an Interest

Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date, as such Interest Payment Date shall, where applicable, be adjusted in accordance with the Business Day Convention.

- (i) If "not adjusted" is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document against the Day Count Fraction, interest in respect of the relevant Interest Period shall be payable in arrear on the relevant Interest Payment Date and calculated from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date, but such Interest Payment Dates shall not be adjusted in accordance with any Business Day Convention.
- (j) "sub-unit" means, with respect to any currency other than euro, the lowest amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country of such currency and, with respect to euro, euro 0.01.

5. Payments

5.1 Method of payment

Subject as provided below:

- (a) payments in a Specified Currency other than euro will be made by credit or transfer to an account in the relevant Specified Currency (which, in the case of a payment in Yen to a non-resident of Japan, shall be a non-resident account) maintained by the payee with, or, at the option of the payee, by a cheque in such Specified Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Specified Currency; and
- (b) payments in euro will be made by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque.

In the case of Bearer Covered Bonds, payments in U.S. Dollars will be made by transfer to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the payee with a bank outside of the United States (which expression, as used in this Condition 5, means the United States of America, including the States and the District of Columbia, its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction), or by cheque drawn on a United States bank. In no event will payment in respect of Bearer Covered Bonds be made by a cheque mailed to an address in the United States. All payments of interest in respect of Bearer Covered Bonds will be made to accounts located outside the United States except as may be permitted by United States tax law in effect at the time of such payment without detriment to the Issuer.

Payments will be subject in all cases (but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 7 (*Taxation*) to (i) any fiscal or other laws and regulations applicable thereto in any jurisdiction and (ii) any withholding or deduction required pursuant to an agreement described in Section 1471(b) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") or otherwise imposed pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code, any regulations or agreements thereunder, official interpretations thereof, or any law implementing an intergovernmental approach thereto.

5.2 Presentation of Bearer Definitive Covered Bonds, Receipts and Coupons

Payments of principal and interest (if any) will (subject as provided below) be made in accordance with Condition 5.1 (*Method of payment*) only against presentation and surrender of Bearer Definitive Covered Bonds, Receipts or Coupons (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement of the Bearer Definitive Covered Bond (or Coupon)), as the case may be, only at a specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States (which expression, as used herein, means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia, its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction)).

Payments of instalments (if any) of principal other than the final instalment, will (subject as provided below) be made in accordance with Condition 5.1 (*Method of payment*) only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part of any sum due, endorsement) of the relevant Receipt in accordance with the preceding paragraph. Payment of the final instalment will be made

in accordance with Condition 5.1 (*Method of payment*) only against presentation or surrender (or, in the case of part of any sum due, endorsement) of the Definitive Covered Bond in accordance with the preceding paragraph. Each Receipt must be presented for payment of the relevant instalment together with the Bearer Definitive Covered Bond to which it appertains. If any Bearer Definitive Covered Bond is redeemed or becomes repayable prior to the stated maturity thereof, principal will be payable in accordance with Condition 5.1 (*Method of payment*) only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum, endorsement) of such Bearer Definitive Covered Bond together with all unmatured Receipts appertaining thereto. Receipts presented without the Bearer Definitive Covered Bond to which they appertain and unmatured Receipts do not constitute valid obligations of the Issuer or the LLP. On the date on which any Bearer Definitive Covered Bond becomes due and payable, unmatured Receipts (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect of them.

Fixed Rate Covered Bonds in definitive bearer form (other than Long Maturity Covered Bonds) should be presented for payment together with all unmatured Coupons appertaining thereto (which expression shall include Coupons falling to be issued on exchange of matured Talons), failing which an amount equal to the face value of any missing unmatured Coupon (or, in the case of payment not being made in full, the same proportion of the amount of such missing unmatured Coupon as the sum so paid bears to the total amount due) will be deducted from the amount due for payment. Each amount of principal so deducted will be paid in the manner mentioned above against surrender of the relative missing Coupon at any time before the expiry of ten years after the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 7 (*Taxation*)) in respect of such principal (whether or not such Coupon would otherwise have become void under Condition 8 (*Prescription*)) or, if later, five years from the date on which such Coupon would otherwise have become due but in no event thereafter.

Upon amounts in respect of any Fixed Rate Covered Bond in definitive bearer form becoming due and repayable by the Issuer (in the absence of a Notice to Pay or an LLP Acceleration Notice) or by the LLP under the Covered Bond Guarantee (if a Notice to Pay or an LLP Acceleration Notice has been served) prior to its Final Maturity Date (or, as the case may be, Extended Due for Payment Date), all unmatured Talons (if any) appertaining thereto will become void and no further Coupons will be issued in respect thereof.

Upon the due date for redemption of any Floating Rate Covered Bond or Long Maturity Covered Bond in definitive bearer form, all unmatured Coupons and Talons (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment or, as the case may be, exchange for further Coupons shall be made in respect thereof. A "Long Maturity Covered Bond" is a Fixed Rate Covered Bond (other than a Fixed Rate Covered Bond which on issue had a Talon attached) whose nominal amount on issue is less than the aggregate interest payable thereon provided that such Covered Bond shall cease to be a Long Maturity Covered Bond on the Interest Payment Date on which the aggregate amount of interest remaining to be paid after that date is less than the Principal Amount Outstanding of such Covered Bond.

If the due date for redemption of any Bearer Definitive Covered Bond is not an Interest Payment Date, interest (if any) accrued in respect of such Covered Bond from (and including) the preceding Interest Payment Date or, as the case may be, the Interest Commencement Date shall be payable only against presentation and surrender of the relevant Bearer Definitive Covered Bond.

5.3 Payments in respect of Bearer Global Covered Bonds

Payments of principal and interest (if any) in respect of Covered Bonds represented by any Bearer Global Covered Bond will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner specified above in relation to Bearer Definitive Covered Bonds and otherwise in the manner specified in the relevant Bearer Global Covered Bond against presentation or surrender, as the case may be, of such Bearer Global Covered Bond, if the Bearer Global Covered Bond is not intended to be issued in NGCB form, at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States. On the occasion of each payment, (i) in the case of any Bearer Global Covered Bond which is not issued in NGCB form, a record of such payment made on such Bearer Global Covered Bond, distinguishing between any payment of principal and any payment of interest, will be made on such Bearer Global Covered Bond by the Paying Agent and such record shall be *prima facie* evidence that the payment

in question has been made and (ii) in the case of any Global Covered Bond which is issued in NGCB form, the Paying Agent shall instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such payment.

No payments of principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of a Bearer Global Covered Bond will be made by mail to an address in the United States or by transfer to an account maintained in the United States.

5.4 Payments in respect of Registered Covered Bonds

Payments of principal (other than instalments of principal prior to the final instalment) in respect of each Registered Covered Bond (whether or not in global form) will be made against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of the Registered Covered Bond at the specified office of the Registrar or any of the Paying Agents. Such payments will be made in accordance with Condition 5.1 (Method of payment) by transfer to the Designated Account (as defined below) of the holder (or the first named of joint holders) of the Registered Covered Bond appearing in the register of holders of the Registered Covered Bonds maintained by the Registrar (the "Register") at the close of business on the tenth business day ("business day" being for the purposes of this Condition 5.4 a day on which banks are open for business in the city where the specified office of the Registrar is located) before the relevant due date (the "Record Date"). Notwithstanding the previous sentence, if (i) a holder does not have a Designated Account, or (ii) the principal amount of the Covered Bonds held by a holder is less than U.S.\$250,000 (or its approximate equivalent in any other Specified Currency), payment will instead be made by a cheque in the Specified Currency drawn on a Designated Bank (as defined below). For these purposes, "Designated Account" means the account (which, in the case of a payment in Yen to a non-resident of Japan, shall be a non-resident account) maintained by a holder with a Designated Bank and identified as such in the Register and "Designated Bank" means (in the case of payment in a Specified Currency other than euro) a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Specified Currency and (in the case of a payment in euro) any bank which processes payments in euro.

Payments of interest and payments of instalments of principal (other than the final instalment) in respect of each Registered Covered Bond (whether or not in global form) will be made by a cheque in the Specified Currency drawn on a Designated Bank and mailed by uninsured mail on the business day immediately preceding the relevant due date to the holder (or the first named of joint holders) of the Registered Covered Bond appearing in the Register at the close of business on the Record Date at the holder's address shown in the Register on the Record Date and at the holder's risk. Upon application of the holder to the specified office of the Registrar not less than three business days before the due date for any payment of interest or an instalment of principal (other than the final instalment) in respect of a Registered Covered Bond, the payment may be made by transfer on the due date in the manner provided in the preceding paragraph. Any such application for transfer shall be deemed to relate to all future payments of interest (other than interest due on redemption) and instalments of principal (other than the final instalment) in respect of the Registered Covered Bonds which become payable to the holder who has made the initial application until such time as the Registrar is notified in writing to the contrary by such holder. Payment of the interest due in respect of each Registered Covered Bond on redemption and the final instalment of principal will be made in the same manner as payment of the principal in respect of such Registered Covered Bond.

Holders of Registered Covered Bonds will not be entitled to any interest or other payment for any delay in receiving any amount due in respect of any Registered Covered Bond as a result of a cheque posted in accordance with this Condition arriving after the due date for payment or being lost in the post. No commissions or expenses shall be charged to such holders by the Registrar in respect of any payments of principal or interest in respect of the Registered Covered Bonds.

All amounts payable to DTC or its nominee as registered holder of a Registered Global Covered Bond in respect of Covered Bonds denominated in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars shall be paid by transfer by the Registrar (i) to an account specified in accordance with Condition 5.1 (*Method of payment*) identified to DTC by a participant in DTC in respect of its holding of such Covered Bonds, or (ii) to an account in the relevant Specified Currency of the Exchange

Agent for conversion into and payment in U.S. dollars in accordance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement.

None of the Issuer, the LLP, the Bond Trustee or the Agents will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to, or payments made on account of, beneficial ownership interests in the Registered Global Covered Bonds or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests.

5.5 General provisions applicable to payments

The holder of a Global Covered Bond (or, as provided in the Trust Deed, the Bond Trustee) shall be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of Covered Bonds represented by such Global Covered Bond and the obligations of the Issuer or the LLP will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Covered Bond (or the Bond Trustee, as the case may be) in respect of each amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as the beneficial holder of a particular nominal amount of Covered Bonds represented by such Global Covered Bond must look solely to DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, for his share of each payment so made by the Issuer or the LLP to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Covered Bond (or the Bond Trustee, as the case may be). No person other than the holder of the relevant Global Covered Bond (or, as provided in the Trust Deed, the Bond Trustee) shall have any claim against the Issuer or the LLP in respect of any payments due on that Global Covered Bond.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Condition 5.5, payments of principal and/or interest in respect of Bearer Covered Bonds in U.S. Dollars will only be made at the specified office of a Paying Agent in the United States if:

- (a) the Issuer has appointed Paying Agents with specified offices outside the United States with the reasonable expectation that such Paying Agents would be able to make payment in U.S. Dollars at such specified offices outside the United States of the full amount of principal and/or interest on the Bearer Covered Bonds in the manner provided above when due;
- (b) payment of the full amount of such principal and interest at such specified offices outside the United States is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions on the full payment or receipt of principal and interest in U.S. Dollars; and
- such payment is then permitted under United States law without involving, in the opinion of the Issuer and the LLP, adverse tax consequences to the Issuer or the LLP.

5.6 Payment Day

If the date for payment of any amount in respect of any Covered Bond, Receipt or Coupon is not a Payment Day (as defined below), the holder thereof shall not be entitled to payment of the relevant amount due until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other sum in respect of any such delay. In this Condition 5.6 (unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms Document), "**Payment Day**" means any day which (subject to Condition 8 (*Prescription*)) is:

- (a) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in:
 - (i) the relevant place of presentation;
 - (ii) London; and
 - (iii) any Additional Business Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms Document;
- (b) either (i) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for

general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (if other than the place of presentation, London and any Additional Business Centre) or as otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms Document or (ii) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which the TARGET System is open; and

(c) in the case of any payment in respect of a Registered Global Covered Bond denominated in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars and registered in the name of DTC or its nominee and in respect of which an accountholder of DTC (with an interest in such Registered Global Covered Bond) has elected to receive any part of such payment in U.S. dollars, a day on which commercial banks are not authorised or required by law or regulation to be closed in New York City.

5.7 Interpretation of principal and interest

Any reference in these Terms and Conditions to principal in respect of the Covered Bonds shall be deemed to include, as applicable:

- (a) any additional amounts which may be payable with respect to principal under Condition 7 (*Taxation*) or under any undertakings or covenants given in addition thereto, or in substitution therefor, pursuant to the Trust Deed;
- (b) the Final Redemption Amount of the Covered Bonds;
- (c) the Early Redemption Amount of the Covered Bonds but excluding any amount of interest referred to therein;
- (d) the Optional Redemption Amount(s) (if any) of the Covered Bonds;
- (e) in relation to Covered Bonds redeemable in instalments, the Instalment Amounts;
- (f) in relation to Zero Coupon Covered Bonds, the Amortised Face Amount (as defined in Condition 6.8 (*Early Redemption Amounts*));
- (g) any premium and any other amounts (other than interest) which may be payable under or in respect of the Covered Bonds; and
- (h) any Excess Proceeds attributable to principal which may be payable by the Bond Trustee to the LLP in respect of the Covered Bonds.

Any reference in these Terms and Conditions to interest in respect of the Covered Bonds shall be deemed to include, as applicable, any additional amounts which may be payable with respect to interest under Condition 7 (*Taxation*) or under any undertakings given in addition thereto, or in substitution therefor, pursuant to the Trust Deed.

5.8 Redenomination

Where redenomination is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document as being applicable, the Issuer may, without the consent of the Covered Bondholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders, on giving prior written notice to the Bond Trustee, the Security Trustee, the Agents, the Registrar (in the case of Registered Covered Bonds), Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and at least 30 days' prior notice to the Covered Bondholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), elect that, with effect from the Redenomination Date specified in the notice, the Covered Bonds shall be redenominated in euro. In relation to any Covered Bonds where the applicable Final Terms Document provides for a minimum Specified Denomination in the Specified Currency which is equivalent to at least euro 100,000 and which are admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area, it shall be a term of any such redenomination that the holder of any Covered Bonds held through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or DTC must have credited to its securities account with the relevant clearing system a minimum balance of Covered Bonds of at least euro 100,000.

The election will have effect as follows:

- (a) the Covered Bonds and any Receipts shall be deemed to be redenominated in euro in the denomination of euro 0.01 with a nominal amount for each Covered Bond and Receipt equal to the nominal amount of that Covered Bond or Receipt in the Specified Currency, converted into euro at the Established Rate, provided that, if the Issuer determines, in consultation with the Agents and the Bond Trustee, that the then market practice in respect of the redenomination in euro of internationally offered securities is different from the provisions specified above, such provisions shall be deemed to be amended so as to comply with such market practice and the Issuer shall promptly notify the Covered Bondholders, the competent listing authority, stock exchange and/or market (if any) on or by which the Covered Bonds may be listed and/or admitted to trading and the Paying Agents of such deemed amendments;
- (b) save to the extent that an Exchange Notice has been given in accordance with paragraph (d) below, the amount of interest due in respect of the Covered Bonds will be calculated by reference to the aggregate nominal amount of Covered Bonds presented (or, as the case may be, in respect of which Coupons are presented) for payment by the relevant holder and the amount of such payment shall be rounded down to the nearest euro 0.01;
- (c) if definitive Covered Bonds are required to be issued after the Redenomination Date, they shall be issued at the expense of the Issuer in the denominations of euro 100,000 and/or such higher amounts as the Agents may determine and notify to the Covered Bondholders and any remaining amounts less than euro 100,000 shall be redeemed by the Issuer and paid to the Covered Bondholders in euro in accordance with Condition 6 (*Redemption and Purchase*);
- (d) if issued prior to the Redenomination Date, all unmatured Coupons denominated in the Specified Currency (whether or not attached to the Covered Bonds) will become void with effect from the date on which the Issuer gives notice (the "Exchange Notice") that replacement euro-denominated Covered Bonds, Receipts and Coupons are available for exchange (provided that such securities are so available) and no payments will be made in respect of them. The payment obligations contained in any Covered Bonds, Receipts and Coupons so issued will also become void on that date although those Covered Bonds, Receipts and Coupons will continue to constitute valid exchange obligations of the Issuer. New euro-denominated Covered Bonds, Receipts and Coupons will be issued in exchange for Covered Bonds, Receipts and Coupons denominated in the Specified Currency in such manner as the Agents may specify and as shall be notified to the Covered Bondholders in the Exchange Notice. No Exchange Notice may be given less than 15 days prior to any date for payment of principal or interest on the Covered Bonds;
- (e) after the Redenomination Date, all payments in respect of the Covered Bonds, the Receipts and the Coupons, other than payments of interest in respect of periods commencing before the Redenomination Date, will be made solely in euro as though references in the Covered Bonds to the Specified Currency were to euro. Payments will be made in euro by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque;
- if the Covered Bonds are Fixed Rate Covered Bonds and interest for any period ending on or after the Redenomination Date is required to be calculated for a period ending other than on an Interest Payment Date, it will be calculated by applying the Rate of Interest to each Specified Denomination, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such subunit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention;
- (g) if the Covered Bonds are Floating Rate Covered Bonds, the applicable Final Terms Document will specify any relevant changes to the provisions relating to interest; and

(h) such other changes shall be made to this Condition (and the Transaction Documents) as the Issuer may decide, after consultation with the Agents and the Bond Trustee, and as may be specified in the notice, to conform it to conventions then applicable to instruments denominated in euro.

5.9 **Definitions**

In these Terms and Conditions, the following expressions have the following meanings:

"Established Rate" means the rate for the conversion of the relevant Specified Currency (including compliance with rules relating to roundings in accordance with applicable European Community regulations) into euro established by the Council of the EU pursuant to Article 123 of the Treaty.

"euro" means the currency introduced at the start of the third stage of European economic and monetary union pursuant to the Treaty.

"Rate of Interest" means the rate of interest payable from time to time in respect of Fixed Rate Covered Bonds and Floating Rate Covered Bonds, as determined in, or as determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms Document.

"Redenomination Date" means (in the case of interest bearing Covered Bonds) any date for payment of interest under the Covered Bonds or (in the case of Zero Coupon Covered Bonds) any date, in each case specified by the Issuer in the notice given to the Covered Bondholders pursuant to Condition 5.8(a) (*Redenomination*) and which falls on or after the date on which the country of the relevant Specified Currency first participates in the third stage of European economic and monetary union.

"Treaty" means the Treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

6. Redemption and Purchase

6.1 Final redemption

Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled as specified below, each Covered Bond will be redeemed by the Issuer at its Final Redemption Amount specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms Document in the relevant Specified Currency on the Final Maturity Date.

Without prejudice to Condition 9 (Events of Default, Acceleration and Enforcement), if an Extended Due for Payment Date is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document for a Series of Covered Bonds and the Issuer has failed to pay the Final Redemption Amount on the Final Maturity Date specified in the Final Terms Document (in each case after the expiry of the grace period set out in Condition 9.1(a) (Issuer Events of Default)) and following service of a Notice to Pay on the LLP by no later than the date falling one Business Day prior to the Extension Determination Date, the LLP has insufficient monies available under the Guarantee Priority of Payments to pay the Guaranteed Amounts corresponding to the Final Redemption Amount in full in respect of the relevant Series of Covered Bonds on the date falling on the earlier of (a) the date which falls two Business Days after service of a Notice to Pay on the LLP or, if later, the Final Maturity Date (in each case after the expiry of the grace period set out in Condition 9.2(a) (LLP Events of Default)) and (b) the Extension Determination Date, under the Covered Bond Guarantee, then (subject as provided below) payment of the unpaid portion of the Final Redemption Amount by the LLP under the Covered Bond Guarantee shall be deferred until the Extended Due for Payment Date, provided that any amount representing the Final Redemption Amount due and remaining unpaid on the earlier of (a) and (b) above will be paid by the LLP to the extent it has sufficient monies available under the Guarantee Priority of Payments on any Interest Payment Date thereafter up to (and including) the relevant Extended Due for Payment Date.

The LLP shall notify the relevant Covered Bondholders (in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*)), the Rating Agencies, the Bond Trustee, the Security Trustee, the Principal Paying Agent and (in the case of Registered Covered Bonds) the Registrar as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event at least one Business Day prior to the date specified in (a) or (b) of

the preceding paragraph (as appropriate) of any inability of the LLP to pay in full the Guaranteed Amounts corresponding to the Final Redemption Amount in respect of a Series of Covered Bonds pursuant to the Covered Bond Guarantee. Any failure by the LLP to notify such parties shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the extension nor shall any rights accrue to any of them by virtue thereof.

In the circumstances outlined above, the LLP shall on the earlier of (a) the date falling two Business Days after service of a Notice to Pay or, if later, the Final Maturity Date (in each case after the expiry of the grace period set out in Condition 9.2(a) (*LLP Events of Default*)), and (b) the Extension Determination Date, under the Covered Bond Guarantee, apply the monies (if any) available (after paying or providing for payment of higher ranking or *pari passu* amounts in accordance with the Guarantee Priority of Payments) *pro rata* in part payment of an amount equal to the Final Redemption Amount of each Covered Bond of the relevant Series of Covered Bonds and shall pay Guaranteed Amounts constituting the corresponding part of Scheduled Interest in respect of each such Covered Bond on such date. The obligation of the LLP to pay any amounts in respect of the balance of the Final Redemption Amount not so paid shall be deferred as described above. Such failure to pay by the LLP shall not constitute an LLP Event of Default.

Any discharge of the obligations of the Issuer as the result of the payment of Excess Proceeds to the Bond Trustee shall be disregarded for the purposes of determining the liabilities of the LLP under the Covered Bond Guarantee in connection with this Condition 6.1.

6.2 Redemption for taxation reasons

The Covered Bonds may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part, at any time (if the relevant Covered Bond is not a Floating Rate Covered Bond) or on any Interest Payment Date (if the relevant Covered Bond is a Floating Rate Covered Bond), on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Bond Trustee and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Covered Bondholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), if the Issuer satisfies the Bond Trustee immediately before the giving of such notice that on the occasion of the next date for payment of interest on the relevant Covered Bonds the Issuer is or would be required to pay additional amounts as provided or referred to in Condition 7 (*Taxation*). Covered Bonds redeemed pursuant to this Condition 6.2 will be redeemed at their Early Redemption Amount referred to in Condition 6.8 (*Early Redemption Amounts*) together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption.

6.3 Money Market Covered Bond Mandatory Transfer

- (a) If remarketing arrangements are specified as applicable in the relevant Final Terms Document in relation to Money Market Covered Bonds, such Money Market Covered Bonds shall, subject to paragraph (c) below, be transferred in accordance with paragraph (b) below on each Transfer Date prior to the occurrence of a Mandatory Transfer Termination Event, as confirmed by the Remarketing Bank providing a Conditional Purchase Confirmation to the Issuer and the Principal Paying Agent, in exchange for payment of the Transfer Price and the Issuer and the Principal Paying Agent will procure payment of the Transfer Price to the Covered Bondholders of the Money Market Covered Bonds on the relevant Transfer Date.
- (b) Subject to paragraphs (a) above and (c) below, all the interests of the Covered Bondholders in the Money Market Covered Bonds shall be transferred on the relevant Transfer Date to the account of the Remarketing Bank on behalf of the relevant purchasers or as otherwise notified by or on behalf of the Remarketing Bank prior to such date or if Money Market Covered Bonds in definitive form are then issued, the Money Market Covered Bonds will be registered in the name of the Remarketing Bank or as otherwise notified by or on behalf of the Remarketing Bank by the Registrar and the Register will be amended accordingly with effect from the relevant Transfer Date.
- (c) Any holder of a Money Market Covered Bond may exercise his right to retain such Money Market Covered Bond through the facilities of DTC at any time prior to the commencement of the Remarketing Period that ends immediately before the relevant Transfer Date.

6.4 Redemption at the option of the Issuer ("Issuer Call")

If an Issuer Call is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, the Issuer may, having given not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice or such other period of notice as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms Document to the Bond Trustee, the Principal Paying Agent, the Registrar (in the case of the redemption of Registered Covered Bonds) and, in accordance with Condition 13 (Notices), the Covered Bondholders (which notice shall be irrevocable) redeem all or some only of the Covered Bonds then outstanding on any Optional Redemption Date(s) and at the Optional Redemption Amount(s) specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms Document together, if applicable, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the relevant Optional Redemption Date(s). The Issuer shall be bound to redeem the Covered Bonds on the date specified in the notice. In the event of a redemption of some only of the Covered Bonds, such redemption must be of a nominal amount not less than the Minimum Redemption Amount and not more than the Maximum Redemption Amount (if any) as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document. In the case of a partial redemption of Covered Bonds, the Covered Bonds to be redeemed (the "Redeemed Covered Bonds") will be selected individually by lot, in the case of Redeemed Covered Bonds represented by Definitive Covered Bonds, and in accordance with the rules of DTC, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, (to be reflected in the records of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg as either a pool factor or a reduction in nominal amount, at their discretion) in the case of Redeemed Covered Bonds represented by a Global Covered Bond, in each case, not more than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption (such date of selection being hereinafter called the "Selection Date"). In the case of Redeemed Covered Bonds represented by Definitive Covered Bonds, a list of the serial numbers of such Redeemed Covered Bonds will be published in accordance with Condition 13 (Notices) not less than 15 days (or such shorter period as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) prior to the date fixed for redemption. The aggregate nominal amount of Redeemed Covered Bonds represented by Definitive Covered Bonds or represented by Global Covered Bonds shall, in each case, bear the same proportion to the aggregate nominal amount of all Redeemed Covered Bonds as the aggregate nominal amount of Definitive Covered Bonds or Global Covered Bonds outstanding bears, in each case, to the aggregate nominal amount of the Covered Bonds outstanding on the Selection Date, provided that such nominal amounts shall, if necessary, be rounded downwards to the nearest integral multiple of the Specified Denomination. No exchange of the relevant Global Covered Bond will be permitted during the period from (and including) the Selection Date to (and including) the date fixed for redemption pursuant to this Condition 6.4 and notice to that effect shall be given by the Issuer to the Covered Bondholders in accordance with Condition 13 (Notices) at least five days (or such shorter period as is specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) prior to the Selection Date.

6.5 Redemption at the option of the Covered Bondholders ("Investor Put")

If an investor put is specified in the Final Terms Document (the "Investor Put"), then if and to the extent specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, upon the holder of the relevant Covered Bond giving to the Issuer, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' (or such other notice period specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) notice (which notice shall be irrevocable), the Issuer will, upon the expiry of such notice provided that the Cash Manager has notified the Bond Trustee in writing that there will be sufficient funds available to pay any termination payment due to the relevant Covered Bond Swap Provider(s), redeem subject to, and in accordance with, the terms specified in the applicable Final Terms Document in whole (but not in part) such Covered Bond on the Optional Redemption Date and at the relevant Optional Redemption Amount as specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms Document, together, if applicable, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the relevant Optional Redemption Date.

If the Covered Bond is in definitive form, to exercise the right to require redemption of the Covered Bond, the holder of the Covered Bond must deliver such Covered Bond, on any Business Day (as defined in Condition 4.5 (*Business Day, Business Day Convention, Day Count Fractions and other adjustments*)) falling within the above-mentioned notice period at the specified office of any Paying Agent, accompanied by a duly signed and completed notice of exercise of the Investor Put in the form (for the time being current) obtainable from any specified office of any Paying Agent (a "**Put Notice**") and in which the holder must specify a bank account (or, if payment is by cheque, an address) to which payment is to be made under this Condition 6.5.

It may be that before an Investor Put can be exercised, certain conditions and/or circumstances will need to be satisfied. Where relevant, the provisions will be set out in the applicable Final Terms Document.

6.6 Redemption due to illegality or invalidity

- (a) The Covered Bonds of all Series may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part, at any time, on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Bond Trustee, the Principal Paying Agent, the Registrar and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), all Covered Bondholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), if the Issuer satisfies the Bond Trustee immediately before the giving of such notice that it has, or will, before the next Interest Payment Date of any Covered Bond of any Series, become unlawful for (i) the Issuer to make, fund or allow to remain outstanding any Term Advance made by it to the LLP under the Intercompany Loan Agreement; and/or (ii) the Issuer or the LLP to make any payment of interest, principal or any other amount on, or to allow to remain outstanding, any Covered Bond of any Series, in each case, as a result of any change in, or amendment to, the applicable laws or regulations or any change in the application or official interpretation of such laws or regulations, which change or amendment has become or will become effective before the next such Interest Payment Date.
- (b) Covered Bonds redeemed pursuant to paragraph (a) above will be redeemed at their Early Redemption Amount referred to in Condition 6.8 (*Early Redemption Amounts*) together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption.
- (c) Covered Bonds redeemed pursuant to paragraph (b) above will be redeemed:
 - in the case of Covered Bonds other than Fixed Rate Covered Bonds, at their Principal Amount Outstanding; and
 - (ii) in the case of Fixed Rate Covered Bonds, at a price which shall be the higher of:
 - (A) their Principal Amount Outstanding, together with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption; and
 - (B) an appropriate make-whole amount deemed fair by an investment bank or other suitable entity of international repute nominated by the Issuer and approved in writing by the Bond Trustee.

6.7 General

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to Conditions 6.2 (*Redemption for taxation reasons*), 6.6(a) (*Redemption due to illegality or invalidity*) or 6.6(b) (*Redemption due to illegality or invalidity*), the Issuer shall deliver to the Bond Trustee a certificate signed by two Directors stating that the Issuer is entitled or required to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions set out in Conditions 6.2 (*Redemption for taxation reasons*), 6.6(a) (*Redemption due to illegality or invalidity*) or, as the case may be, 6.6(b) (*Redemption due to illegality or invalidity*) for such right or obligation (as applicable) of the Issuer to arise have been satisfied and the Bond Trustee shall be entitled to accept the certificate as sufficient evidence of the satisfaction of the conditions set out above, in which event it shall be conclusive and binding on all Covered Bondholders, Receiptholders and Couponholders.

6.8 Early Redemption Amounts

For the purpose of Conditions 6.2 (*Redemption for taxation reasons*) and 6.6(a) (*Redemption due to illegality or invalidity*) and Condition 9 (*Events of Default, Acceleration and Enforcement*), each Covered Bond will be redeemed (unless otherwise stated in the applicable Final Terms Document) at its Early Redemption Amount calculated as follows:

(a) in the case of a Covered Bond other than a Zero Coupon Covered Bond (but including an Instalment Covered Bond), at the amount specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms Document or, if no such amount or manner is so

specified in the applicable Final Terms Document, at its Principal Amount Outstanding, together with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption; and

- (b) in the case of a Zero Coupon Covered Bond, at an amount (the "Amortised Face Amount") equal to the sum of:
 - (i) the Reference Price; and
 - (ii) the product of the Accrual Yield (compounded annually) being applied to the Reference Price from (and including) the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Covered Bonds to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption or (as the case may be) the date upon which such Covered Bond becomes due and repayable.

Where such calculation in paragraph (b) above is to be made for a period which is not a whole number of years, it shall be made (A) in the case of a Zero Coupon Covered Bond payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 months of 30 days each, or (B) in the case of a Zero Coupon Covered Bond payable in euro, on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed divided by 365 (or, if any of the days elapsed falls in a leap year, the sum of (x) the number of those days falling in a leap year divided by 365 and (y) the number of those days falling in a non leap year divided by 365).

6.9 **Instalments**

Instalment Covered Bonds will be redeemed in the Instalment Amounts and on the Instalment Dates. In the case of early redemption, the Early Redemption Amount will be determined pursuant to Condition 6.8 (*Early Redemption Amounts*).

6.10 Purchases

The Issuer or any of its subsidiaries (including the LLP) may at any time purchase or otherwise acquire Covered Bonds (**provided that**, in the case of Bearer Definitive Covered Bonds, all unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons appertaining thereto are attached thereto or surrendered therewith) at any price in the open market either by tender or private agreement or otherwise. If purchases are made by tender, tenders must be available to all Covered Bondholders alike. Such Covered Bonds may be held, reissued, resold or, at the option of the Issuer or the relevant subsidiary, surrendered to any Paying Agent and/or the Registrar for cancellation (except that any Covered Bonds purchased or otherwise acquired by the LLP must immediately be surrendered to any Paying Agent and/or the Registrar for cancellation).

6.11 Cancellation

All Covered Bonds which are redeemed will forthwith be cancelled (together with, in the case of Bearer Definitive Covered Bonds, all unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons attached thereto or surrendered therewith at the time of redemption). All Covered Bonds so cancelled and any Covered Bonds purchased and surrendered for cancellation pursuant to Condition 6.10 (*Purchases*) and cancelled (together with, in the case of Bearer Definitive Covered Bonds, all unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons cancelled therewith) shall be forwarded to the Principal Paying Agent and cannot be reissued or resold.

6.12 Late Payment

If any amount payable in respect of any Covered Bond is improperly withheld or refused upon its becoming due and repayable or is paid after its due date, the amount due and repayable in respect of such Covered Bond (the "Late Payment") shall itself accrue interest (both before and after any judgment or other order of a court of competent jurisdiction) from (and including) the date on which such payment was improperly withheld or refused or, as the case may be, became due, to (but excluding) the Late Payment Date in accordance with the following provisions:

(a) in the case of a Covered Bond other than a Zero Coupon Covered Bond (but including an Instalment Covered Bond) at the rate determined in accordance with Condition 4.1

(Interest on Fixed Rate Covered Bonds) or 4.2 (Interest on Floating Rate Covered Bonds), as the case may be; and

(b) in the case of a Zero Coupon Covered Bond, at a rate equal to the Accrual Yield,

in each case on the basis of the Day Count Fraction specified in the applicable Final Terms Document or, if none is specified, on a 30/360 basis.

For the purpose of this Condition 6.12, the "Late Payment Date" shall mean the earlier of:

- (i) the date which the Bond Trustee determines to be the date on which, upon further presentation of the relevant Covered Bond, payment of the full amount (including interest as aforesaid) in the relevant currency in respect of such Covered Bond is to be made; and
- (ii) the seventh day after notice is given to the relevant Covered Bondholder (whether individually or in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*)) that the full amount (including interest as aforesaid) in the relevant currency in respect of such Covered Bond is available for payment,

provided that in the case of both (i) and (ii), upon further presentation thereof being duly made, such payment is made.

7. Taxation

All payments of principal and interest (if any) in respect of the Covered Bonds, Receipts and Coupons by or on behalf of the Issuer or the LLP, as the case may be, will be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature unless such withholding or deduction of such taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges is required by law (including pursuant to an agreement described in Section 1471(b) of the Code or otherwise imposed pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code, any regulations or agreements thereunder, official interpretations thereof, or any law implementing an intergovernmental approach or agreement thereto). In the event of a withholding or deduction for or on account of any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature imposed or levied by or on behalf of the United Kingdom or any political sub-division thereof or any authority therein or thereof having power to tax being made by the Issuer in respect of a payment made by it, the Issuer will pay such additional amounts as shall be necessary in order that the net amounts received by the holders of the Covered Bonds, Receipts or Coupons after such withholding or deduction shall equal the respective amounts of principal and interest, if any, which would otherwise have been receivable in respect of the Covered Bonds, Receipts or Coupons, as the case may be, in the absence of such withholding or deduction; except that no such additional amounts shall be payable with respect to any Covered Bond, Receipt or Coupon:

- (a) presented for payment, where presentation is required, in the United Kingdom; or
- (b) to a holder who (i) is able to avoid such withholding or deduction by satisfying any statutory requirements or by making a declaration of non-residence or other claim for exemption to the relevant taxing authority but fails to do so, or (ii) is liable for such taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges in respect of such Covered Bonds, Receipts or Coupons (as the case may be) by reason of his having some connection with the United Kingdom other than merely by reason of the holding of such Covered Bonds, Receipts or Coupons; or
- (c) presented for payment, where presentation is required, more than 30 days after the Relevant Date (as defined below) except to the extent that the holder thereof would have been entitled to an additional amount on presenting the same for payment on the last day of such period of 30 days; or
- (d) for any withholding or deduction for taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges that would not have been imposed but for a failure by the holder or beneficial owner (or any financial institution through which the holder or beneficial owner holds any Covered Bond through which payment on the Covered Bond is made) to comply with any

certification, information, identification, documentation or other reporting requirements (including entering into and complying with an agreement with the Internal Revenue Service) imposed pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code (or any regulations or intergovernmental agreement, or legislation enacted pursuant thereto, to implement such provisions) as in effect on the date of issuance of the Covered Bonds or any successor or amended version of these provisions.

As used herein, the "**Relevant Date**" means the date on which payment in respect of the Covered Bond, Receipt or Coupon first becomes due and payable but, if the full amount of the monies payable on such date has not been received by the Principal Paying Agent or the Bond Trustee on or prior to such date, the "**Relevant Date**" shall be the date on which such monies shall have been so received and notice to that effect has been given to Covered Bondholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

If any payments made by the LLP under the Covered Bond Guarantee are or become subject to any withholding or deduction on account of any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature imposed or levied by or on behalf of the United Kingdom or any political subdivision thereof or by any authority therein or thereof having power to tax, the LLP will not be obliged to pay any additional amount as a consequence. Any such deduction shall not constitute an LLP Event of Default under Condition 9 (Events of Default, Acceleration and Enforcement).

8. Prescription

The Covered Bonds (whether in bearer or registered form), Receipts and Coupons will become void unless presented for payment within ten years (in the case of principal) and five years (in the case of interest) in each case from the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 7 (*Taxation*)) therefor, subject in each case to the provisions of Condition 5 (*Payments*).

The Issuer shall be discharged from its obligation to pay principal on a Registered Covered Bond to the extent that the relevant Registered Covered Bond certificate has not been surrendered to the Registrar by, or a cheque which has been duly despatched in the Specified Currency remains uncashed at, the end of the period of ten years from the Relevant Date for such payment.

The Issuer shall be discharged from its obligation to pay interest on a Registered Covered Bond to the extent that a cheque which has been duly dispatched in the Specified Currency remains uncashed at the end of the period of five years from the Relevant Date in respect of such payment.

There shall not be included in any Coupon sheet issued on exchange of a Talon, any Coupon the claim for payment in respect of which would be void pursuant to this Condition 8 or Condition 5 (*Payments*) or any Talon which would be void pursuant to Condition 5 (*Payments*).

9. Events of Default, Acceleration and Enforcement

9.1 Issuer Events of Default

The Bond Trustee at its discretion may, and if so requested in writing by the holders of at least 25 per cent. of the aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding of the Covered Bonds (which for this purpose or the purpose of any Extraordinary Resolution referred to in this Condition 9.1 means the Covered Bonds of this Series together with the Covered Bonds of any other Series constituted by the Trust Deed) then outstanding as if they were a single Series (with the nominal amount of Covered Bonds not denominated in Sterling converted into Sterling at the relevant Covered Bond Swap Rate) or if so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution of all the Covered Bondholders shall (subject in each case to being indemnified and/or secured to its satisfaction), give notice (an "Issuer Acceleration Notice") in writing to the Issuer and to the FCA pursuant to the RCB Regulations, that, as against the Issuer (but not, for the avoidance of doubt, against the LLP under the Covered Bond Guarantee), each Covered Bond of each Series is, and each such Covered Bond shall thereupon immediately become, due and repayable at its Early Redemption Amount together with (to the extent not included in the Early Redemption Amount) accrued interest as provided in the Trust Deed if any of the following events (each an "Issuer Event of Default") shall occur and be continuing:

- (a) if default is made by the Issuer for a period of 14 days or more in the payment of any principal or interest due in respect of the Covered Bonds or any of them; or
- (b) if the Issuer fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Covered Bonds or Receipts or Coupons of any Series of Covered Bonds or the Trust Deed or any other Transaction Documents to which the Issuer is a party (other than the Programme Agreement and the Subscription Agreement), but excluding (i) any obligation of the Issuer to comply with the Asset Coverage Test or any representations or warranties given by the Issuer thereunder or pursuant thereto, or (ii) any obligation of the Issuer which relates solely to compliance with its obligations under the RCB Regulations and breach of which would not otherwise constitute a breach of the other terms of the Transaction Documents, and (except where the Bond Trustee considers such failure to be incapable of remedy when no such continuation or notice as is hereinafter referred to will be required) such failure continues for the period of 30 days (or such longer period as the Bond Trustee may permit) next following the service by the Bond Trustee on the Issuer of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or
- (c) if an effective resolution is passed or an order is made for the winding-up or dissolution of the Issuer (except for the purposes of a reconstruction or amalgamation the terms of which have previously been approved in writing by the Bond Trustee or by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Covered Bondholders or which has been effected in compliance with the terms of Condition 14 (Meetings of Covered Bondholders, Modification, Waiver and Substitution)); or
- (d) if an Asset Coverage Test Breach Notice has been served and not revoked (in accordance with the terms of the Transaction Documents) on or before the third Calculation Date after service of such Asset Coverage Test Breach Notice,

provided that any condition, event or act described in paragraph (b) above shall only constitute an Issuer Event of Default if the Bond Trustee shall have certified in writing to the Issuer and the LLP that such condition, event or act is, in its opinion, materially prejudicial to the interests of the Covered Bondholders of any Series.

Upon the Covered Bonds becoming immediately due and payable against the Issuer pursuant to this Condition 9.1, the Bond Trustee shall forthwith serve a notice to pay (the "Notice to Pay") on the LLP pursuant to the Covered Bond Guarantee. If a Notice to Pay has been served, the LLP shall be required to make payments of Guaranteed Amounts when the same shall become Due for Payment in accordance with the terms of the Covered Bond Guarantee.

Following service of an Issuer Acceleration Notice, the Bond Trustee may or shall take such proceedings against the Issuer in accordance with the first paragraph of Condition 9.3 (*Enforcement*).

The Trust Deed provides that all monies received by the Bond Trustee from the Issuer or any administrator, administrative receiver, receiver, liquidator or other similar official appointed in relation to the Issuer following service of an Issuer Acceleration Notice (the "Excess Proceeds"), shall be paid by the Bond Trustee on behalf of the Covered Bondholders of the relevant Series to the LLP for its own account, as soon as practicable, and shall be held by the LLP in the GIC Account and the Excess Proceeds shall thereafter form part of the Security and shall be used by the LLP in the same manner as all other monies from time to time standing to the credit of the GIC Account pursuant to the Deed of Charge and the LLP Deed. Any Excess Proceeds received by the Bond Trustee shall discharge *pro tanto* the obligations of the Issuer in respect of the payment of the amount of such Excess Proceeds under the Covered Bonds, Receipts and Coupons. However, the obligations of the LLP under the Covered Bond Guarantee are (following service of a Notice to Pay) unconditional and irrevocable and the receipt by the Bond Trustee of any Excess Proceeds shall not reduce or discharge any of such obligations. By subscribing for Covered Bond(s), each Covered Bondholder shall be deemed to have irrevocably directed the Bond Trustee to pay the Excess Proceeds to the LLP in the manner as described above.

9.2 *LLP Events of Default*

The Bond Trustee at its discretion may, and if so requested in writing by the holders of at least 25 per cent. of the aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding of the Covered Bonds (which for this purpose and the purpose of any Extraordinary Resolution referred to in this Condition 9.2 means the Covered Bonds of this Series together with the Covered Bonds of any other Series constituted by the Trust Deed) then outstanding as if they were a single Series (with the nominal amount of Covered Bonds not denominated in Sterling converted into Sterling at the relevant Covered Bond Swap Rate) or if so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution of all the Covered Bondholders, shall (subject in each case to being indemnified and/or secured to its satisfaction) give notice (the "LLP Acceleration Notice") in writing to the Issuer and the LLP, that (i) each Covered Bond of each Series is, and each Covered Bond of each Series shall, as against the Issuer (if not already due and repayable against the Issuer following service of an Issuer Acceleration Notice), thereupon immediately become due and repayable at its Early Redemption Amount together with (to the extent not already included in the Early Redemption Amount) accrued interest, and (ii) all amounts payable by the LLP under the Covered Bond Guarantee shall thereupon immediately become due and payable at the Guaranteed Amount corresponding to the Early Redemption Amount for each Covered Bond of each Series, together with (to the extent not already included in the Early Redemption Amount) accrued interest, in each case as provided in the Trust Deed and thereafter the Security shall become enforceable if any of the following events (each an "LLP Event of **Default**") shall occur and be continuing:

- (a) if default is made by the LLP for a period of seven days or more in the payment of any Guaranteed Amounts which are Due for Payment on the relevant Guaranteed Amounts Due Date in respect of the Covered Bonds of any Series, except in the case of the payments of a Guaranteed Amount which is Due for Payment under Condition 6.1 (*Final redemption*) when the LLP shall be required to make payments of Guaranteed Amounts which are Due for Payment on the dates specified therein; or
- (b) if default is made by the LLP in the performance or observance of any obligation, condition or provision binding on it (other than any obligation for the payment of Guaranteed Amounts in respect of the Covered Bonds of any Series) under the Trust Deed, the Deed of Charge or any other Transaction Document (other than the obligation to satisfy the Asset Coverage Test in accordance with Clause 11 of the LLP Deed) to which the LLP is a party and (except where such default is or the effects of such default are, in the opinion of the Bond Trustee, not capable of remedy when no such continuation and notice as is hereinafter mentioned will be required), such default continues for 30 days (or such longer period as the Bond Trustee may permit) after written notice thereof has been given by the Bond Trustee to the LLP requiring the same to be remedied; or
- (c) if an order is made or an effective resolution passed for the liquidation or winding-up of the LLP; or
- (d) if the LLP ceases or threatens to cease to carry on its business or substantially the whole of its business; or
- (e) if the LLP is unable, or admits inability, to pay its debts generally as they fall due or shall be adjudicated or found bankrupt or insolvent; or
- (f) if proceedings are initiated against the LLP under any applicable liquidation, winding-up, insolvency, bankruptcy, composition, reorganisation or other similar laws (including, but not limited to, presentation of a petition or the filing of documents with a court or any registrar for its winding-up, administration or dissolution or the giving notice of the intention to appoint an administrator (whether out of court or otherwise)); or a receiver, administrator, trustee or other similar official shall be appointed (whether out of court or otherwise) in relation to the LLP or in relation to the whole or any part of its assets, or a distress, diligence or execution or other process shall be levied or enforced upon or sued out against the whole or any part of its assets, or if the LLP shall initiate or consent to judicial proceedings relating to itself under any applicable liquidation, winding-up, insolvency, bankruptcy, composition, reorganisation or other similar laws or shall make

a conveyance, assignment or assignation for the benefit of, or shall enter into any composition with, its creditors generally; or

(g) if there is a failure to satisfy the Amortisation Test (as set out in the LLP Deed) on any Calculation Date following service of a Notice to Pay,

provided that any condition, event or act described in paragraphs (b) and (d) to (g) (inclusive) above shall only constitute an LLP Event of Default if the Bond Trustee shall have certified in writing to the Issuer and the LLP that such condition, event or act is, in its opinion, materially prejudicial to the interests of the Covered Bondholders of any Series.

Following service of an LLP Acceleration Notice, each of the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee may or shall take such proceedings or steps in accordance with the first and third paragraphs, respectively, of Condition 9.3 (*Enforcement*).

Upon service of an LLP Acceleration Notice, the Covered Bondholders shall have a claim against the LLP, under the Covered Bond Guarantee, for an amount equal to the Early Redemption Amount in respect of each Covered Bond together with (to the extent not included in the Early Redemption Amount) accrued interest and any other amount due under such Covered Bonds (other than additional amounts payable under Condition 7 (*Taxation*)) as provided in the Trust Deed.

9.3 Enforcement

The Bond Trustee may, at any time, at its discretion and without further notice, take such proceedings against the Issuer or the LLP, as the case may be, and/or any other person as it may think fit to enforce the provisions of the Trust Deed, the Covered Bonds, the Receipts, the Coupons or any other Transaction Document, but it shall not be bound to take any such enforcement proceedings in relation to the Trust Deed, the Covered Bonds, the Receipts, the Coupons or any other Transaction Document unless (i) it shall have been so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution of all the Covered Bondholders of all Series (with the Covered Bonds of all Series taken together as a single Series as aforesaid) or so requested in writing by the holders of not less than 25 per cent. of the aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding of the Covered Bonds of all Series then outstanding (taken together and converted into Sterling at the relevant Covered Bond Swap Rate as aforesaid) and (ii) it shall have been indemnified and/or secured to its satisfaction.

In exercising any of its powers, trusts, authorities and discretions the Bond Trustee shall only have regard to the interests of the Covered Bondholders of all Series and shall not have regard to the interests of any other Secured Creditors.

The Security Trustee may, at any time, at its discretion and without further notice, take such proceedings against the LLP and/or any other person as it may think fit to enforce the provisions of the Deed of Charge or any other Transaction Document in accordance with its terms and may, at any time after the Security has become enforceable, take such proceedings or steps as it may think fit to enforce the Security, but it shall not be bound to take any such proceedings or steps unless (i) it shall have been so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution of all the Covered Bondholders of all Series (with the Covered Bonds of all Series taken together as a single Series as aforesaid) or a request in writing by the holders of not less than 25 per cent. of the aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding of the Covered Bonds of all Series then outstanding (taken together and converted into Sterling at the relevant Covered Bond Swap Rate as aforesaid), and (ii) it shall have been indemnified and/or secured to its satisfaction. In exercising any of its powers, trusts, authorities and discretions under this paragraph the Security Trustee shall only have regard to the interests of the Covered Bondholders of all Series and shall not have regard to the interests of any other Secured Creditors.

No Covered Bondholder, Receiptholder or Couponholder shall be entitled to proceed directly against the Issuer or the LLP or to take any action with respect to the Trust Deed, any other Transaction Document, the Covered Bonds, the Receipts, the Coupons, or the Security, unless the Bond Trustee or the Security Trustee, as applicable, having become bound so to proceed, fails so to do within a reasonable period and such failure shall be continuing.

10. Replacement of Covered Bonds, Receipts, Coupons and Talons

If any Covered Bond, Receipt, Coupon or Talon is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be replaced at the specified office of the Principal Paying Agent in London (in the case of Bearer Covered Bonds, Receipts or Coupons) or the Registrar (in the case of Registered Covered Bonds), or any other place approved by the Bond Trustee, of which notice shall have been given to the Covered Bondholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), upon payment by the claimant of such costs and expenses as may be incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Covered Bonds, Receipts, Coupons or Talons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

11. Principal Paying Agent, Paying Agents, Registrar, Transfer Agent and Exchange Agent

The names of the initial Principal Paying Agent, the initial Registrar, the initial Exchange Agent and their initial specified offices are set out below.

The Issuer is entitled, with the prior written approval of the Bond Trustee, to vary or terminate the appointment of any Agent and/or appoint additional or other Agents and/or approve any change in the specified office through which any Agent acts, **provided that**:

- (a) there will at all times be a Principal Paying Agent and a Registrar;
- (b) the Issuer will, so long as any Covered Bond is outstanding, maintain a Paying Agent (which may be the Principal Paying Agent) having a specified office in a city approved by the Bond Trustee in Europe;
- (c) so long as any Covered Bond is listed on any stock exchange or admitted to listing or trading by any other relevant authority, there will at all times be a Paying Agent (in the case of Bearer Covered Bonds) and a Transfer Agent (in the case of Registered Covered Bonds) with a specified office in such place as may be required by the rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange or, as the case may be, other relevant authority; and
- (d) so long as any of the Registered Global Covered Bonds payable in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars are held through DTC or its nominee, there will at all times be an Exchange Agent with a specified office in the United States.

In addition, the Issuer shall forthwith appoint a Paying Agent having a specified office in the United States in the circumstances described in Condition 5.5 (*General provisions applicable to payments*). Notice of any such variation, termination, appointment or change will be given by the Issuer to the Covered Bondholders as soon as reasonably practicable in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

In acting under the Agency Agreement, the Agents act solely as agents of the Issuer and the LLP and, in certain circumstances specified therein, of the Bond Trustee and do not assume any obligation to, or relationship of agency or trust with, any Covered Bondholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders. The Agency Agreement contains provisions permitting any entity into which any Agent is merged or converted or with which it is consolidated or to which it transfers all or substantially all of its assets to become the successor agent.

12. Exchange of Talons

On and after the Interest Payment Date on which the final Coupon comprised in any Coupon sheet matures, the Talon (if any) forming part of such Coupon sheet may be surrendered at the specified office of the Principal Paying Agent or any other Paying Agent in exchange for a further Coupon sheet including (if such further Coupon sheet does not include Coupons to (and including) the final date for the payment of interest due in respect of the Bearer Covered Bond to which it appertains) a further Talon, subject to the provisions of Condition 8 (*Prescription*).

13. Notices

All notices regarding the Bearer Covered Bonds will be valid if published in one leading English language daily newspaper of general circulation in London or any other daily newspaper in London approved by the Bond Trustee. The Issuer or, in the case of a notice given by the Bond Trustee or the Security Trustee, the Bond Trustee or the Security Trustee (as the case may be) shall also ensure that notices are duly published in a manner which complies with the rules and regulations of any stock exchange or any other relevant authority on which the Bearer Covered Bonds are for the time being listed including publication on the website of the relevant stock exchange or relevant authority required by those rules. Any such notice will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication or, where required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the date of the first publication in all required newspapers or where published in such newspapers on different dates, the last date of such first publication. If publication as provided above is not practicable, notice will be given in such other manner, and will be deemed to have been given on such date, as the Bond Trustee shall approve.

All notices regarding the Registered Covered Bonds will be deemed to be validly given if sent by first class mail or (if posted to an address overseas) by airmail to the holders (or the first named of joint holders) at their respective addresses recorded in the Register and will be deemed to have been given on the fourth day after mailing and, in addition, for so long as any Registered Covered Bonds are listed, quoted or traded on a stock exchange or are admitted to listing or trading by another relevant authority and the rules of that stock exchange or relevant authority so require, such notice will be published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the place or places required by those rules. Any such notice will be deemed to have been given on the date of such publication. If the giving of notice as provided above is not practicable, notice will be given in such other manner, and will be deemed to have been given on such date, as the Bond Trustee shall approve.

So long as the Covered Bonds are represented in their entirety by any Global Covered Bonds held on behalf of DTC and/or Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, there may be substituted for such publication in such newspaper(s) or such mailing, the delivery of the relevant notice to DTC and/or Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg for communication by them to the holders of the Covered Bonds **provided that**, in addition, for so long as any Covered Bonds are listed on a stock exchange or admitted to listing or trading by any other relevant authority and the rules of the stock exchange, or as the case may be, other relevant authority so require, such notice will be published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the place or places required by that stock exchange or, as the case may be, any other relevant authority. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given to the holders of the Covered Bonds on the third day after the day on which the said notice was given to DTC and/or Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as appropriate.

Notices to be given by any Covered Bondholder shall be in writing and given by lodging the same, together (in the case of any Covered Bond in definitive form) with the relevant Covered Bond or Covered Bonds, with the Principal Paying Agent (in the case of Bearer Covered Bonds) or the Registrar (in the case of Registered Covered Bonds). Whilst any of the Covered Bonds are represented by a Global Covered Bond, such notice may be given by any holder of a Covered Bond to the Principal Paying Agent or the Registrar through DTC, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, in such manner as the Principal Paying Agent, the Registrar and DTC and/or Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, may approve for this purpose.

14. Meetings of Covered Bondholders, Modification, Waiver and Substitution

The Trust Deed contains provisions for convening meetings of the Covered Bondholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the modification by Extraordinary Resolution of these Terms and Conditions, the N Covered Bond Conditions applicable to a particular Series of N Covered Bonds or the provisions of the Trust Deed. Such a meeting may be convened by the Issuer, the LLP or the Bond Trustee and shall be convened by the Issuer at the request in writing of Covered Bondholders holding not less than 10 per cent. of the Principal Amount Outstanding of the Covered Bonds for the time being outstanding. The quorum at any such meeting in respect of any Covered Bonds of any Series for passing an Extraordinary Resolution is one or more persons holding or representing not less than a clear majority of the

aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding of the Covered Bonds of such Series for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned meeting one or more persons being or representing Covered Bondholders of such Series whatever the nominal amount of the Covered Bonds of such Series so held or represented, except that at any meeting the business of which includes the modification of any Series Reserved Matter, the quorum shall be one or more persons holding or representing not less than two-thirds of the aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding of the Covered Bonds of such Series for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned such meeting one or more persons holding or representing not less than one-third of the aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding of the Covered Bonds of such Series for the time being outstanding. An Extraordinary Resolution passed at any meeting of the Covered Bondholders of a Series shall, subject as provided below, be binding on all the Covered Bondholders of such Series, whether or not they are present at the meeting, and on all Receiptholders and Couponholders in respect of such Series of Covered Bonds. Pursuant to the Trust Deed, the Bond Trustee may convene a single meeting of the holders of Covered Bonds of more than one Series if in the opinion of the Bond Trustee there is no conflict between the holders of such Covered Bonds, in which event the provisions of this paragraph shall apply thereto mutatis mutandis.

Notwithstanding the provisions of the immediately preceding paragraph, any Extraordinary Resolution to direct the Bond Trustee to accelerate the Covered Bonds pursuant to Condition 9 (Events of Default, Acceleration and Enforcement) or to direct the Bond Trustee or the Security Trustee to take any enforcement action pursuant to Condition 9 (Events of Default, Acceleration and Enforcement) (each a "Programme Resolution") shall only be capable of being passed at a single meeting of the holders of the Covered Bonds of all Series then outstanding. Any such meeting to consider a Programme Resolution may be convened by the Issuer, the LLP or the Bond Trustee or by Covered Bondholders, in the case of a direction to accelerate the Covered Bonds pursuant to Conditions 9.1 (Issuer Events of Default) and 9.2 (LLP Events of Default) or to take enforcement action pursuant to Condition 9.3 (Enforcement), holding at least 25 per cent. of the Principal Amount Outstanding of the Covered Bonds of all Series then outstanding. The quorum at any such meeting for passing a Programme Resolution is one or more persons holding or representing at least a clear majority of the aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding of the Covered Bonds of all Series for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned such meeting one or more persons holding or representing Covered Bonds whatever the nominal amount of the Covered Bonds of all Series then outstanding. A Programme Resolution passed at any meeting of the Covered Bondholders of all Series shall be binding on all Covered Bondholders of all Series, whether or not they are present at the meeting, and on all related Receiptholders and Couponholders in respect of such Covered Bonds.

In connection with any meeting of the holders of Covered Bonds of more than one Series where such Covered Bonds are not denominated in Sterling, the nominal amount of the Covered Bonds of any Series not denominated in Sterling shall be converted into Sterling at the relevant Covered Bond Swap Rate.

The Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee may in the case of paragraphs (a) and (b) below, and the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee shall in the case of paragraphs (c), (d) and (f) below, agree and the LLP and the Issuer may also agree, without the consent of the Covered Bondholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders of any Series and without the consent of the other Secured Creditors (and for the purposes of paragraphs (a), (b) and (f) below the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee may disregard whether any such modification relates to a Series Reserved Matter) to:

(a) any modification of the terms and conditions applying to Covered Bonds of one or more Series (including these Terms and Conditions), the related Receipts and/or Coupons or any Transaction Document **provided that** (i) in the sole opinion of the Bond Trustee such modification is not materially prejudicial to the interests of any of the Covered Bondholders of any Series, and (ii) in the sole opinion of the Security Trustee, such modification is not materially prejudicial to the interests of any of the Covered Bondholders of any Series or the Covered Bond Swap Providers or the Interest Rate Swap Provider, except for any Covered Bond Swap Provider or the Interest Rate Swap Provider who is a member of the Enlarged Santander UK Group; or

- (b) any modification of the terms and conditions applying to Covered Bonds of any one or more Series (including these Terms and Conditions), the related Receipts and/or Coupons or any Transaction Document which is, in the sole opinion of the Bond Trustee or the Security Trustee (as the case may be), of a formal, minor or technical nature or is to correct a manifest error or an error which is, in the sole opinion of the Bond Trustee or the Security Trustee (as the case may be), proven, or is to comply with mandatory provisions of law; or
- (c) EMIR Related Modifications (as defined below), with respect only to Covered Bonds issued on or after 12 July 2013 (and which are not consolidated and form a single series with any Covered Bonds issued prior to such date), and subject to receipt by the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee of a certificate of the Issuer signed by two of its directors or the LLP signed by a Designated Member certifying to the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee that (a) the requested modifications of the terms and conditions applying to Covered Bonds of any one or more Series (including these Terms and Conditions), the related Receipts and/or Coupons and/or any relevant Transaction Documents are to be made solely for the purpose of enabling the Issuer or the LLP to comply with any requirements which apply to it under Regulation (EU) 648/2012 (as amended by Regulation (EU) No 2019/834) (the "European Market Infrastructure Regulation" or "EMIR") ("EMIR Related Modifications") and (b) such EMIR Related Modifications do not relate to a Series Reserved Matter, and the Covered Bondholders and other Secured Creditors shall be deemed to have instructed the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee to concur in making any and all such EMIR Related Modifications and shall be bound by such EMIR Related Modifications to the Transaction Documents and/or these Terms and Conditions regardless of whether or not such modifications are materially prejudicial to the interests of Covered Bondholders and the other Secured Creditors, provided that neither the Bond Trustee nor the Security Trustee shall be obliged to agree to any EMIR Related Modification which, in the sole opinion of the Bond Trustee or the Security Trustee, would have the effect of (a) exposing the Bond Trustee and/or the Security Trustee to any liability against which it has not been indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction or (b) increasing the obligations or duties, or decreasing the protections of the Bond Trustee and/or the Security Trustee under the Transaction Documents and/or these Terms and Conditions: or
- (d) any modification to these Terms and Conditions and/or any Transaction Document (including, for the avoidance of doubt but without limitation, the Covered Bond Swap in relation to the relevant Series of Covered Bonds and subject to the consent only of the Secured Creditors (i) party to the relevant Transaction Document being amended or (ii) whose ranking in any Priorities of Payments is affected) that the Issuer considers necessary for the purpose of changing the base rate in respect of any Series of Covered Bonds issued after 24 April 2018 from LIBOR, EURIBOR, SONIA or such other relevant interest rate benchmark (each, a "Reference Rate") to an alternative base rate (any such rate, an "Alternative Base Rate") (other than USD LIBOR or SOFR) and make such other amendments as are necessary or advisable in the reasonable judgment of the Issuer to facilitate such change (a "Base Rate Modification"), provided that:
 - (A) the Issuer certifies to the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee in writing (such certificate, a "Base Rate Modification Certificate") that such Base Rate Modification is being undertaken due to:
 - (i) a material disruption to the relevant Reference Rate, an adverse change in the methodology of calculating the relevant Reference Rate or the Relevant Rate ceasing to exist or be published;
 - the insolvency or cessation of business of the administrator of the Reference Rate or any other relevant interest rate benchmark (in circumstances where no successor administrator has been appointed);
 - (iii) a public statement by the administrator of the relevant Reference Rate that it will cease publishing such Reference Rate permanently or indefinitely (in circumstances where no successor administrator for the

Reference Rate has been appointed that will continue publication of the relevant Reference Rate) or has or will change such Reference Rate in an adverse manner;

- (iv) a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the relevant Reference Rate that such Reference Rate has been or will be permanently or indefinitely discontinued or will be changed in an adverse manner;
- a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the relevant Reference Rate that means such Reference Rate may no longer be used or that its use is or will be subject to restrictions or adverse consequences;
- (vi) a public announcement of the permanent or indefinite discontinuation of the relevant screen rate or base rate that applies to the Floating Rate Covered Bonds at such time; or
- (vii) the reasonable expectation of the Issuer that any of the events specified in sub-paragraph (i), (ii), (iii), (v) or (vi) will occur or exist within six months of the proposed effective date of such Base Rate Modification,

and, in each case, has been drafted solely to such effect;

- (B) such Alternative Base Rate is a base rate published, endorsed, approved or recognised by the Bank of England, the Federal Reserve or the European Central Bank, any regulator in the United States, the United Kingdom or the European Union or any stock exchange on which the Covered Bonds are listed (or any relevant committee or other body established, sponsored or approved by any of the foregoing);
- (C) at least 35 calendar days' prior written notice of any Base Rate Modification has been given to the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee;
- (D) the Base Rate Modification Certificate in relation to such Base Rate Modification is provided to the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee both at the time the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee are notified of the Base Rate Modification and on the effective date of such Base Rate Modification;
- (E) with respect to each Rating Agency, either:
 - (i) the Issuer obtains from such Rating Agency written confirmation that such Base Rate Modification would not result in (x) a downgrade, withdrawal or suspension of the then current ratings assigned to the relevant Covered Bonds of any Series by such Rating Agency or (y) such Rating Agency placing the Covered Bonds of any Series on rating watch negative (or equivalent) and delivers a copy of each such confirmation to the Bond Trustee; or
 - (ii) the Issuer certifies in writing to the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee that it has notified such Rating Agency of the Base Rate Modification and, in its opinion, formed on the basis of due consideration and consultation with such Rating Agency (including, as applicable, upon receipt of oral confirmation form an appropriately authorised person at such Rating Agency), such Base Rate Modification would not result in (x) a downgrade, withdrawal or suspension of the then current ratings assigned to the Covered Bonds of any Series by such Rating Agency or (y) such Rating Agency placing the Covered Bonds of any Series on rating watch negative (or equivalent);

- (F) the Issuer pays (or arranges for the payment of) all reasonable and documented fees, costs and expenses (including legal fees) properly incurred by the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee in connection with such Base Rate Modification;
- (G) if in the opinion of the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) there is in relation to the Base Rate Modification and the operation thereof any uncertainty between two or more alternative courses of action in making any determination or calculation, the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) shall promptly notify the Issuer thereof and the Issuer shall direct the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) in writing as to which alternative course of action to adopt; if the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) is not promptly provided with such direction, or is otherwise unable to make such calculation or determination for any reason beyond its control, it shall notify the Issuer thereof and the Principal Paying Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms Document) shall be under no obligation to make such calculation or determination and shall not incur any liability for not doing so; and
- (H) the Issuer has provided at least 30 calendar days' notice to the Covered Bondholders of the relevant Series of Covered Bonds of the Base Rate Modification in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) and by publication on Bloomberg on the "Company News" screen relating to the Covered Bonds (in each case specifying the date and time by which the Covered Bondholders must respond, and Covered Bondholders representing at least 10 per cent. of the aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding of the relevant Series of Covered Bonds then outstanding have not contacted the Issuer in writing within such notification period (or otherwise in accordance with the then current practice of any applicable Clearing System through which such Covered Bonds may be held) notifying it that such Covered Bondholders do not consent to the Base Rate Modification.

If Covered Bondholders representing at least 10 per cent. of the aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding of the relevant Series of Covered Bonds then outstanding have notified the Issuer within the notification period as described above that such Covered Bondholders do not consent to the Base Rate Modification, then the Base Rate Modification will not be made unless an Extraordinary Resolution of the Covered Bondholders of the relevant Series then outstanding is passed in favour of the Base Rate Modification in accordance with this Condition 14.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer may propose an Alternative Base rate on more than one occasion provided that the conditions set out in this Condition 14(d) are satisfied.

- (e) When implementing any modification pursuant to Condition 14(d):
 - (A) a Base Rate Modification in respect of Covered Bonds issued after 24 April 2018 shall not constitute a Series Reserved Matter;
 - (B) neither the Bond Trustee nor the Security Trustee (i) shall consider the interests of the Covered Bondholders, any other Secured Creditor or any other person and shall act and rely solely and without investigation or liability on any Base Rate Modification Certificate or other certificate or evidence provided to it by the Issuer; and (ii) shall be liable to the Covered Bondholders, any other Secured Creditor or any other person for so acting or relying, irrespective of whether any

such modification is or may be materially prejudicial to the interests of any such person; and

- (C) neither the Bond Trustee nor the Security Trustee shall be obliged to agree to any modification which, in the sole opinion of the Bond Trustee and/or the Security Trustee would have the effect of (i) exposing the Bond Trustee and/or the Security Trustee to any liability against which it has not been indemnified and/or secured and/or pre-funded to its satisfaction or (ii) increasing the obligations or duties, or decreasing the rights, powers, authorisations, discretions, indemnification or protections, of the Bond Trustee and/or the Security Trustee in the Transaction Documents and/or these Terms and Conditions.
- (f) any Ratings Modification Event (as defined below) with respect only to Covered Bonds issued on or after 25 June 2014 (and which are not consolidated with and do not form a single Series with any Series of Covered Bonds issued prior to such date) and subject to receipt by the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee of a certificate of the Issuer signed by two directors of the Issuer certifying that the requested modifications to the Terms and Conditions applying to such Covered Bonds and/or any related Receipts and/or Coupons or any Transaction Documents are to be made solely for the purposes of enabling the Issuer:
 - to remove any one of the Rating Agencies (a "Removed Rating Agency") from rating any such Series of Covered Bonds together with the related ratings criteria, rating tests, rating triggers and any and all requirements specified by and/or relating to such Removed Rating Agency (an "Existing Rating Agency Removal"), in so far as these relate solely to such Series of Covered Bonds issued on or after 25 June 2014; and/or
 - to reappoint any such Removed Rating Agency or substitute any such Removed Rating Agency for one of the remaining two Rating Agencies to provide a rating in respect of any such Series of Covered Bonds and include the then current relevant ratings criteria, rating tests, rating triggers and any and all relevant requirements specified by and/or relating to the reappointed Rating Agency (an "Existing Rating Agency Reappointment"),

(each of an Existing Rating Agency Removal and an Existing Rating Agency Reappointment a "Ratings Modification Event"), provided that, in each case and at all times, such Series of Covered Bonds continues to be rated by at least two Rating Agencies, and subject as provided below.

The holders of such Covered Bonds and other Secured Creditors shall be deemed to have instructed the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee to concur in effecting any such Ratings Modification Event and shall be bound by the modifications to the Transaction Documents and/or these Terms and Conditions made for the purpose of implementing such Ratings Modification Event regardless of whether or not such modifications are materially prejudicial to the interests of the holders of such Covered Bonds and the other Secured Creditors, **provided that** neither the Bond Trustee nor the Security Trustee shall be obliged to agree to any Ratings Modification Event which, in the sole opinion of the Bond Trustee or the Security Trustee, would have the effect of (a) exposing the Bond Trustee and/or the Security Trustee to any liability against which it has not been indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction or (b) increasing the obligations or duties, or decreasing the protections of the Bond Trustee and/or the Security Trustee under the Transaction Documents and/or these Terms and Conditions.

(g) Effect of Benchmark Transition Event on any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Condition 14, if the Designated Transaction Representative determines on or prior to the relevant Interest Determination Date that a Benchmark Transition Event has occurred with respect to USD LIBOR or SOFR, then

the Bond Trustee shall be obliged, without the consent or sanction of the Covered Bondholders (including without the requirement to provide to Covered Bondholders an opportunity to object), or any of the other Secured Creditors, to concur with the Designated Transaction Representative, and to direct the Security Trustee to concur with the Issuer or any other person and shall direct the Security Trustee to concur with the Issuer and any other person, in making any modification (other than with respect to a Series Reserved Matter, provided that neither replacing the then-current Benchmark with the Benchmark Replacement nor any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes (each as defined below) shall constitute a Series Reserved Matter) to these Terms and Conditions or any of the Transaction Documents solely with respect to any U.S. Dollar denominated Floating Rate Covered Bonds calculated by reference to USD LIBOR or SOFR and issued on or after 12 June 2020 that the Designated Transaction Representative decides may be appropriate to give effect to the provisions set forth under this Condition 14(g) in relation only to all determinations of the rate of interest payable on any U.S. Dollar denominated Floating Rate Covered Bonds calculated by reference to USD LIBOR or SOFR (and any related swap agreements) and issued on or after 12 June 2020:

- I. If the Designated Transaction Representative determines that a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred prior to the Reference Time in respect of any determination of the Benchmark on any date applicable to any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds, the Benchmark Replacement will replace the then-current Benchmark for all purposes relating to any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds in respect of such determination on such date and all determinations on all subsequent dates.
- II. In connection with the implementation of a Benchmark Replacement with respect to any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds, the Designated Transaction Representative will have the right to make Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes with respect to any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds from time to time.
- III. Any determination, decision or election that may be made by the Designated Transaction Representative pursuant to this Condition 14(g), including any determination with respect to a tenor, rate or adjustment or of the occurrence or non-occurrence of an event, circumstance or date and any decision to take or refrain from taking any action or any selection, in each case, solely with respect to any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds, will be conclusive and binding absent manifest error, may be made in the Designated Transaction Representative's sole discretion, and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the documentation relating to any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds, shall become effective without consent, sanction or absence of objection from any other party (including Covered Bondholders).
- IV. Other than where specifically provided under this Condition 14(g) or any transaction document:
 - a. when implementing any modification pursuant to this Condition 14(g), the Bond Trustee shall not consider the interests of the Covered Bondholders, any other Secured Creditor or any other person and shall act and rely solely and without further investigation on any certificate or evidence provided to it by the Issuer or the relevant transaction party, as the case may be, pursuant to this Condition 14(g) and shall not be liable to the Covered Bondholders, any other Secured Creditor or any other person for so acting or relying, irrespective of whether any such modification is or may be materially prejudicial to the interests of any such person; and
 - b. the Bond Trustee shall not be obliged to agree to any modification which, in the sole opinion of the Bond Trustee, would have the effect of (i) exposing the Bond Trustee to any liability against which it has

not been indemnified and/or secured and/or pre-funded to its satisfaction or (ii) increasing the obligations or duties, or decreasing the rights or protections, of the Bond Trustee in the Transaction Documents and/or these Terms and Conditions.

- V. Subject as provided in sub-paragraph (IV) above, with respect to a Benchmark Transition Event, the Covered Bondholders and the other Secured Creditors shall be deemed to have instructed the Bond Trustee to concur with any amendments that the Designated Transaction Representative decides may be appropriate to give effect to the provisions set forth in this Condition 14(g) ("Effect of Benchmark Transition Event on USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Floating Rate Covered Bonds"), and shall be bound by them regardless of whether or not they are materially prejudicial to the interests of the Covered Bondholders or the other Secured Creditors.
- VI. The following definitions shall apply with respect to this Condition 14(g):

Benchmark means, initially, USD LIBOR or SOFR; provided that if a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred with respect to USD LIBOR or SOFR or the then-current Benchmark, then "Benchmark" means the applicable Benchmark Replacement.

Benchmark Replacement means (in respect of USD LIBOR, if the Designated Transaction Representative can determine the Interpolated Benchmark as of the Benchmark Replacement Date), the Interpolated Benchmark; or (in respect of USD LIBOR if the Designated Transaction Representative cannot determine the Interpolated Benchmark as of the Benchmark Replacement Date or in respect of SOFR), the first alternative set forth in the order below that can be determined by the Designated Transaction Representative as of the Benchmark Replacement Date:

- (1) (in respect of USD LIBOR) the sum of: (a) Term SOFR and (b) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;
- (2) (in respect of USD LIBOR) the sum of: (a) Compounded SOFR and (b) the applicable Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;
- (3) the sum of: (a) the alternate rate of interest that has been selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body as the replacement for the then-current Benchmark for the applicable Corresponding Tenor and (b) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;
- (4) the sum of: (a) the ISDA Fallback Rate and (b) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;
- (5) the sum of: (a) the alternate rate of interest that has been selected by the Designated Transaction Representative as the replacement for the then-current Benchmark for the applicable Corresponding Tenor giving due consideration to any industry-accepted rate of interest as a replacement for the then-current Benchmark for any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds, as applicable, at such time and (b) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment.

If a Benchmark Replacement in respect of USD LIBOR is selected pursuant to paragraph (2) above, then on the first day of each calendar quarter following such selection, if a redetermination of the Benchmark Replacement on such date would result in the selection of a Benchmark Replacement under paragraph (1) above, then (x) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment shall be re-determined on such date utilising the unadjusted Benchmark Replacement corresponding to the Benchmark Replacement under paragraph (1) above and (y) such redetermined Benchmark Replacement shall become the Benchmark on each

Interest Determination Date on or after such date. If redetermination of the Benchmark Replacement in respect of USD LIBOR on such date as described in the preceding sentence would not result in the selection of a Benchmark Replacement under paragraph (1) above, then the Benchmark shall remain the Benchmark Replacement as previously determined pursuant to paragraph (2) above.

Benchmark Replacement Adjustment means the first alternative set forth in the order below that can be determined by the Designated Transaction Representative as of the Benchmark Replacement Date:

- (1) the spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) that has been selected, endorsed or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body for the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement;
- (2) if the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement is equivalent to the ISDA Fallback Rate, then the ISDA Fallback Adjustment;
- (3) the spread adjustment (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) that has been selected by the Designated Transaction Representative giving due consideration to any industry-accepted spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, for the replacement of the then-current Benchmark with the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement for any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds at such time.

Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes means, with respect to any Benchmark Replacement, any technical, administrative or operational changes with respect to any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds (including changes to the definition of "interest period", timing and frequency of determining rates and making payments of interest, changes to the definition of "Corresponding Tenor" solely when such tenor is longer than the interest period and other administrative matters) and any related Swap Agreements that the Designated Transaction Representative decides may be appropriate to reflect the adoption of such Benchmark Replacement with respect to any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds in a manner substantially consistent with market practice (or, if the Designated Transaction Representative decides that adoption of any portion of such market practice is not administratively feasible or if the Designated Transaction Representative determines that no market practice for use of the Benchmark Replacement exists, in such other manner as the Designated Transaction Representative determines is reasonably necessary).

Benchmark Replacement Date means:

- (1) in the case of paragraph (1) or (2) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event," the later of (a) the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein and (b) the date on which the administrator of the relevant Benchmark permanently or indefinitely ceases to provide such Benchmark, or
- in the case of paragraph (3) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event," the date of the public statement or publication of information;

provided, however, that on or after the 60th day preceding the date on which such Benchmark Replacement Date would otherwise occur (if applicable), the Designated Transaction Representative may give written notice to holders of any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds in which the Designated Transaction Representative designates an earlier date (but not earlier than the 30th day following such notice) and represents that such earlier date will

facilitate an orderly transition of any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds to the Benchmark Replacement, in which case such earlier date shall be the Benchmark Replacement Date.

For the avoidance of doubt, if the event giving rise to the Benchmark Replacement Date occurs on the same day as, but earlier than, the Reference Time in respect of any determination, the Benchmark Replacement Date will be deemed to have occurred prior to the Reference Time for such determination.

Benchmark Transition Event means the occurrence of one or more of the following events with respect to the then-current Benchmark (including any daily published component used in the calculation thereof):

- (1) a public statement or publication of information by or on behalf of the administrator of the Benchmark announcing that the administrator has ceased or will cease to provide the Benchmark permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide the Benchmark;
- (2) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of the Benchmark, the central bank for the currency of the Benchmark, an insolvency official with jurisdiction over the administrator for the Benchmark, a resolution authority with jurisdiction over the administrator for the Benchmark or a court or an entity with similar insolvency or resolution authority over the administrator for the Benchmark, which states that the administrator of the Benchmark has ceased or will cease to provide the Benchmark permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide the Benchmark; or
- (3) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of the Benchmark announcing that the Benchmark is no longer representative.

Compounded SOFR means, for purposes of determining a replacement Benchmark for USD LIBOR pursuant to this Condition 14(g), the compounded average of SOFRs for the applicable corresponding tenor, with the rate, or methodology for this rate, and conventions for this rate (which, for example, may be compounded in arrears with a look-back and/or suspension period as a mechanism to determine the interest amount payable prior to the end of each interest period or compounded in advance) being established by the Designated Transaction Representative in accordance with:

- (1) the rate, or methodology for this rate, and conventions for this rate selected or recommended by the relevant governmental body for determining Compounded SOFR; provided that:
- (2) if, and to the extent that, the Designated Transaction Representative determines that Compounded SOFR cannot be determined in accordance with paragraph (1) above, then the rate, or methodology for this rate, and conventions for this rate that have been selected by the Designated Transaction Representative giving due consideration to any industry-accepted market practice for similar U.S. dollar denominated securitisation transactions at such time.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if used for any purpose other than determining a replacement for USD LIBOR pursuant to this Condition 14(g), Compounded SOFR will be calculated and determined in accordance with the provision set out under "SOFR – Compounded Daily SOFR".

Corresponding Tenor with respect to a Benchmark Replacement means a tenor (including overnight) having approximately the same length (disregarding business day adjustment) as the applicable tenor for the then-current Benchmark.

Designated Transaction Representative means, with respect to any USD LIBOR or SOFR linked Covered Bonds and a particular obligation to be performed in connection with the transition to a Benchmark Replacement, the Issuer.

Federal Reserve Bank of New York's website means the website of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at http://www.newyorkfed.org, or any successor source (for the avoidance of doubt, this website (and/or any successor source) and the contents thereof do not form part of this base prospectus).

Interpolated Benchmark with respect to the Benchmark, means the rate determined for the corresponding tenor by interpolating on a linear basis between: (1) the Benchmark for the longest period (for which the Benchmark is available) that is shorter than the corresponding tenor and (2) the Benchmark for the shortest period (for which the Benchmark is available) that is longer than the corresponding tenor.

ISDA Definitions means the 2006 ISDA Definitions published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. or any successor thereto, as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor definitional booklet for interest rate derivatives published from time to time.

ISDA Fallback Adjustment means the spread adjustment, (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) that would apply for derivatives transactions referencing the ISDA Definitions to be determined upon the occurrence of an index cessation event with respect to the Benchmark for the applicable tenor.

ISDA Fallback Rate means the rate that would apply for derivatives transactions referencing the ISDA Definitions to be effective upon the occurrence of an index cessation date with respect to the Benchmark for the applicable tenor excluding the applicable ISDA Fallback Adjustment.

Reference Time with respect to any determination of the Benchmark means (1) if the Benchmark is USD LIBOR, 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the day that is two London Business Days preceding the date of such determination, (2) if the Benchmark is SOFR, 2:00 p.m. (London time) on the day that is two London Business Days preceding the date of such determination and (3) if the Benchmark is not USD LIBOR or SOFR, the time determined by the Designated Transaction Representative in accordance with the Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes.

Relevant Governmental Body means the Federal Reserve Board and/or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or a committee officially endorsed or convened by the Federal Reserve Board and/or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York or any successor thereto.

SOFR with respect to any day means the secured overnight financing rate published for such day by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, as the administrator of the Benchmark, (or a successor administrator) on the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's website.

Term SOFR means the forward-looking term rate for the applicable corresponding tenor based on SOFR that has been selected or recommended by the relevant governmental body.

Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement means the Benchmark Replacement excluding the applicable Benchmark Replacement Adjustment.

Notwithstanding the above, the Issuer, the LLP and the Principal Paying Agent may agree, without the consent of the Bond Trustee, the Security Trustee, the Covered Bondholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders or any of the other Secured Creditors, to any modification of any of the provisions of any Final Terms Document which is of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a proven or manifest error or to comply with any mandatory provisions of law.

The Bond Trustee may also agree, without the consent of the Covered Bondholders of any Series, the related Receiptholders and/or Couponholders, to the waiver or authorisation of any breach or proposed breach of any of the provisions of the Covered Bonds of any Series, or determine, without any such consent as aforesaid, that any Issuer Event of Default or LLP Event of Default or Potential Issuer Event of Default or Potential LLP Event of Default shall not be treated as such, **provided that**, in any such case, it is not, in the sole opinion of the Bond Trustee, materially prejudicial to the interests of any of the Covered Bondholders of any Series. The Security Trustee may also agree, without the consent of the Covered Bondholders of any Series, the related Receiptholders and/or Couponholders or any other Secured Creditor, to the waiver or authorisation of any breach or proposed breach of any of the provisions of the Transaction Documents, **provided that**, in any such case, it is not, in the sole opinion of the Security Trustee, materially prejudicial to the interests of any of the Covered Bondholders of any Series, or the Covered Bond Swap Providers or the Interest Rate Swap Provider, except for any Covered Bond Swap Provider or the Interest Rate Swap Provider who is a member of the Enlarged Santander UK Group.

Prior to the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee agreeing to any such modification, waiver, authorisation or determination pursuant to this Condition 14, the Issuer must send written confirmation to the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee that such modification, waiver, authorisation or determination, as applicable, would not result in a breach of the RCB Regulations and that either:

- (a) such modification, waiver, authorisation or determination would not require the FCA to be notified in accordance with Regulation 20 of the RCB Regulations; or
- (b) if such modification, waiver, authorisation or determination would require the FCA to be notified in accordance with Regulation 20 of the RCB Regulations, the Issuer has provided all information required to be provided to the FCA and the FCA has given its consent to such proposed modification, waiver, authorisation or determination.

The Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee shall, without the consent or sanction of any of the Covered Bondholders of any Series, the related Receiptholders and/or the Couponholders or any other Secured Creditors (except for any Covered Bond Swap Provider), concur with the Issuer in making any modifications to the Transaction Documents and/or these Terms and Conditions that are requested by the Issuer to comply with any criteria of the Rating Agencies which may be published after 9 September 2011 and which the Issuer certifies to the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee in writing are required to avoid a downgrade, withdrawal or suspension of the then current ratings assigned by a Rating Agency to any Series of the Covered Bonds, provided that the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee shall not be obliged to agree to any modification which, in the sole opinion of the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee, as applicable, would have the effect of (a) exposing the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee, as applicable, to any liability against which it has not been indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction or (b) increasing the obligations or duties, or decreasing the protections, of the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee, as applicable in the Transaction Documents and/or these Terms and Conditions. For the avoidance of doubt, such modifications may include, without limitation, modifications which would allow any Swap Provider not to post collateral in circumstances where it previously would have been obliged to do so.

Where the Security Trustee is unable to determine whether any such modification, waiver or authorisation is materially prejudicial to any of the Covered Bond Swap Providers or the Interest Rate Swap Provider, except for any Covered Bond Swap Provider or the Interest Rate Swap Provider who is a member of the Enlarged Santander UK Group, it shall give written notice to such Covered Bond Swap Provider or the Interest Rate Swap Provider, setting out the relevant details and requesting its consent thereto. Any such Covered Bond Swap Provider or the Interest

Rate Swap Provider, shall, within ten London Business Days of receipt of such notice (the "**Relevant Period**"), notify in writing the Security Trustee of:

- (a) its consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) to such proposed modification, waiver or authorisation; or
- (b) subject to paragraph (a) above, its refusal to give such consent and reasons for such refusal (such refusal not to be unreasonable in the circumstances).

Any failure by the relevant Covered Bond Swap Provider or the Interest Rate Swap Provider to notify the Security Trustee as aforesaid within the Relevant Period shall be deemed to be consent by the relevant Swap Provider to such proposed modification, waiver or authorisation.

The Security Trustee may (without further enquiry) rely upon the consent or refusal in writing of any Covered Bond Swap Provider or the Interest Rate Swap Provider, as provided above, and shall have no liability to any Covered Bond Swap Provider, the Interest Rate Swap Provider or any other Secured Creditor for consenting or not consenting (as the case may be) to a modification, waiver or authorisation on the basis of any such consent or refusal in writing or any deemed consent as provided above.

Any such modification, waiver, authorisation or determination shall be binding on all Covered Bondholders of all Series of Covered Bonds, the related Receiptholders and the Couponholders and the other Secured Creditors, and unless the Security Trustee and the Bond Trustee otherwise agree, any such modification shall be notified by the Issuer to the Covered Bondholders of all Series of Covered Bonds for the time being outstanding and the other Secured Creditors in accordance with the relevant terms and conditions as soon as practicable thereafter.

In connection with the exercise by it of any of its trusts, powers, authorities and discretions (including, without limitation, any modification, waiver, authorisation or determination), the Bond Trustee and (where it is required to have regard to the interests of the Covered Bondholders) the Security Trustee shall have regard to the general interests of the Covered Bondholders of each Series as a class (but shall not have regard to any interests arising from circumstances particular to individual Covered Bondholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders whatever their number) and, in particular but without limitation, shall not have regard to the consequences of any such exercise for individual Covered Bondholders, the related Receiptholders, Couponholders (whatever their number) resulting from their being for any purpose domiciled or resident in, or otherwise connected with, or subject to the jurisdiction of, any particular territory or any political sub-division thereof and the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee shall not be entitled to require, nor shall any Covered Bondholder, Receiptholder or Couponholder be entitled to claim, from the Issuer, the LLP, the Bond Trustee, the Security Trustee or any other person any indemnification or payment in respect of any Tax or stamp duty consequences of any such exercise upon individual Covered Bondholders, Receiptholders and/or Couponholders, except to the extent already provided for in Condition 7 (Taxation) of these Terms and Conditions or Condition 6 (Taxation) of any N Covered Bond Conditions and/or in any undertaking or covenant given in addition to, or in substitution for, Condition 7 (Taxation) of these Terms and Conditions or Condition 6 (*Taxation*) of any N Covered Bond Conditions pursuant to the Trust Deed.

Provided that the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee shall have received a certificate signed by two directors of the Issuer and a certificate of a Designated Member of the LLP stating that, immediately after giving effect to the matters set out in this paragraph, no Issuer Event of Default or Potential Issuer Event of Default (in respect of the Issuer) or LLP Event of Default or Potential LLP Event of Default (in respect of the LLP), respectively, shall have occurred and be continuing and certain other conditions as are specified in the Trust Deed are satisfied, but without the consent of the holders of Covered Bonds of any Series, the Coupons and Receipts related thereto, or of any other Secured Creditor: a Subsidiary of the Issuer may assume the obligations of the Issuer as principal obligor under the Trust Deed and the other Transaction Documents in respect of all Series of Covered Bonds. The Trust Deed provides that any such assumption shall be notified to the holders of all Series of Covered Bonds (in accordance with the relevant terms and conditions of such Covered Bonds).

The Issuer may, without the consent of the holders of the Covered Bonds of any Series or any Receipts or Coupons relating thereto, or any other Secured Creditor, consolidate with, merge or amalgamate into or transfer its assets substantially as an entirety to, any corporation organised under the laws of the United Kingdom, or any political subdivision thereof, **provided that**:

- (i) a certificate of two directors of the Issuer and a certificate of a Designated Member of the LLP is delivered to the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee to the effect that, immediately after giving effect to such transaction no Issuer Event of Default or Potential Issuer Event of Default (in respect of the Issuer) and no LLP Event of Default or Potential LLP Event of Default (in respect of the LLP), respectively, shall have occurred and be continuing;
- (ii) unless the Issuer is the surviving entity, the Issuer shall procure that the surviving or transferee company assumes its obligations as Issuer under the Trust Deed, each other relevant Transaction Document and all of the outstanding Covered Bonds of all Series, in place of the Issuer;
- (iii) in the case of an assumption of the obligations of the Issuer by a successor or transferee company, the guarantee of the LLP shall remain fully effective on the same basis in relation to the obligations of such successor or transferee company;
- (iv) certain other conditions set out in the Trust Deed are met. Upon the assumption of the obligations of the Issuer by such surviving or transferee company, the predecessor Issuer shall (subject to the provisions of the Trust Deed) have no further liabilities under or in respect of the Trust Deed or the outstanding Covered Bonds of each Series or any Coupons or Receipts appertaining thereto and the other Transaction Documents. Any such assumption shall be subject to the relevant provisions of the Trust Deed. The Trust Deed provides that any such assumption shall be notified to the holders of all Series of Covered Bonds in accordance with the relevant Terms and Conditions of such Covered Bonds and the other Secured Creditors; and
- (v) any such surviving entity, successor or transferee company assuming the obligations of the Issuer is included in the register of issuers pursuant to the RCB Regulations and that all other provisions (including Regulation 19 (*Change of Issuer*)) of the RCB Regulations are satisfied prior to the substitution of the Issuer.

For the purposes hereof:

"Potential Issuer Event of Default" means any condition, event or act which, with the lapse of time and/or the issue, making or giving of any notice, certification, declaration, demand, determination and/or request and/or the taking of any similar action and/or the fulfilment of any similar condition, would constitute an Issuer Event of Default; and

"Potential LLP Event of Default" means any condition, event or act which, with the lapse of time and/or the issue, making or giving of any notice, certification, declaration, demand, determination and/or request and/or the taking of any similar action and/or the fulfilment of any similar condition, would constitute an LLP Event of Default.

15. Indemnification of the Bond Trustee and/or Security Trustee and Bond Trustee and/or Security Trustee Contracting with the Issuer and/or the LLP

If, in connection with the exercise of its powers, trusts, authorities or discretions the Bond Trustee or the Security Trustee is of the opinion that the interests of the holders of the Covered Bonds of any one or more Series would be materially prejudiced thereby, the Bond Trustee or the Security Trustee, as the case may be, shall not exercise such power, trust, authority or discretion without the approval of such Covered Bondholders by Extraordinary Resolution or by a direction in writing of such Covered Bondholders of at least 25 per cent. of the Principal Amount Outstanding of Covered Bonds of the relevant Series then outstanding.

The Trust Deed and the Deed of Charge contain provisions for the indemnification of the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee and for their relief from responsibility, including provisions relieving them from taking any action unless indemnified and/or secured to their satisfaction.

The Trust Deed and the Deed of Charge also contain provisions pursuant to which each of the Bond Trustee and Security Trustee, respectively, is entitled, *inter alia*, (i) to enter into business transactions with the Issuer, the LLP and/or any of their respective Subsidiaries and affiliates and to act as trustee for the holders of any other securities issued or guaranteed by, or relating to, the Issuer, the LLP and/or any of their respective Subsidiaries and affiliates, (ii) to exercise and enforce its rights, comply with its obligations and perform its duties under or in relation to any such transactions or, as the case may be, any such trusteeship without regard to the interests of, or consequences for, the Covered Bondholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders or any other Secured Creditors, and (iii) to retain and not be liable to account for any profit made or any other amount or benefit received thereby or in connection therewith.

Neither the Bond Trustee nor the Security Trustee will be responsible for any loss, expense or liability, which may be suffered as a result of any Loans or Related Security, or any deeds or documents of title thereto, being uninsured or inadequately insured or being held by clearing organisations or their operators or by intermediaries such as banks, brokers or other similar persons on behalf of the Bond Trustee and/or the Security Trustee. Neither the Bond Trustee nor the Security Trustee will be responsible for (i) supervising the performance by the Issuer, the LLP or any other party to the Transaction Documents of their respective obligations under the Transaction Documents and the Bond Trustee and the Security Trustee will be entitled to assume, until they each have written notice to the contrary, that all such persons are properly performing their duties, (ii) considering the basis on which approvals or consents are granted by the Issuer, the LLP or any other party to the Transaction Documents under the Transaction Documents, (iii) monitoring the Portfolio, including, without limitation, whether the Portfolio is in compliance with the Asset Coverage Test, the Amortisation Test or the Pre-Maturity Test, or (iv) monitoring whether Loans and Related Security satisfy the Eligibility Criteria. Neither the Bond Trustee nor the Security Trustee will be liable to any Covered Bondholder or other Secured Creditor for any failure to make or to cause to be made on their behalf the searches, investigations and enquiries which would normally be made by a prudent chargee in relation to the Security and have no responsibility in relation to the legality, validity, sufficiency and enforceability of the Security and the Transaction Documents.

16. Further Issues

The Issuer shall be at liberty, from time to time without the consent of the Covered Bondholders, the Receiptholders or the Couponholders or any Secured Creditors, to create and issue further bonds having terms and conditions the same as the Covered Bonds of any Series or the same in all respects and guaranteed by the LLP save for the issue price and date of issue thereof and the amount and date of the first payment of interest thereon, and so as to be consolidated and form a single Series with the outstanding Covered Bonds of such Series; **provided however, that** if such further Covered Bonds are not issued as part of the same "issue" or in a "qualified reopening" for U.S. federal income tax purposes such further Covered Bonds will have a separate CUSIP number than that assigned to the previously issued Covered Bonds.

17. Ratings Confirmations

- By subscribing for or purchasing Covered Bond(s), each Covered Bondholder shall be deemed to have acknowledged and agreed that a credit rating of a Series of Covered Bonds is an assessment of credit risk and does not address other matters that may be of relevance to Covered Bondholders, including, without limitation, in the case of a confirmation by a Rating Agency that any action proposed to be taken by the Issuer, the LLP, the Seller, the Servicer, the Cash Manager, the Bond Trustee, the Security Trustee or any other party to a Transaction Document will not have an adverse effect on the then current rating of the Covered Bonds or cause such rating to be withdrawn (a "Rating Agency Confirmation"), whether such action is either (i) permitted by the terms of the relevant Transaction Document or (ii) in the best interests of, or not prejudicial to, some or all of the Covered Bondholders.
- In being entitled to have regard to the fact that a Rating Agency has confirmed that the then current rating of the relevant Series of Covered Bonds would not be adversely affected or withdrawn, each of the Issuer, the LLP, the Bond Trustee, the Security Trustee and the Secured Creditors (including the Covered Bondholders) is deemed to have acknowledged and agreed that a Rating Agency Confirmation does not impose or extend any actual or contingent liability on the Rating Agencies

to the Issuer, the LLP, the Bond Trustee, the Security Trustee, the Secured Creditors (including the Covered Bondholders) or any other person or create any legal relations between the Rating Agencies and the Issuer, the LLP, the Bond Trustee, the Security Trustee, the Secured Creditors (including the Covered Bondholders) or any other person, whether by way of contract or otherwise.

- 17.3 By subscribing for or purchasing Covered Bond(s), each Covered Bondholder shall be deemed to have acknowledged and agreed that:
 - (a) a Rating Agency Confirmation may or may not be given at the sole discretion of each Rating Agency;
 - (b) depending on the timing of delivery of the request and any information needed to be provided as part of any such request, it may be the case that a Rating Agency cannot provide a Rating Agency Confirmation in the time available, or at all, and the Rating Agency shall not be responsible for the consequences thereof;
 - (c) a Rating Agency Confirmation, if given, will be given on the basis of the facts and circumstances prevailing at the relevant time, and in the context of cumulative changes to the transaction of which the Covered Bonds forms a part; and
 - (d) a Rating Agency Confirmation represents only a restatement of the opinions given, and shall not be construed as advice for the benefit of any Covered Bondholder or any other party.
- The Bond Trustee shall be entitled to take into account for the purpose of exercising or performing any right, power, trust, authority, duty or discretion under or in relation to these presents or any other Transaction Document, among other things, to the extent that it considers, in its sole and absolute discretion, it is necessary and/or appropriate and/or relevant, any Rating Agency Confirmation. If any Rating Agency then rating the Covered Bonds either: (i) does not respond to a request to provide a Rating Agency Confirmation within 7 days after such request is made; or (ii) provides a waiver or acknowledgement indicating its decision not to review or otherwise declining to review the matter for which the Rating Agency Confirmation is sought, the requirement for the Rating Agency Confirmation from the relevant Rating Agency with respect to such matter will be deemed waived and neither the Bond Trustee nor the Security Trustee shall be liable for any losses Covered Bondholders or any Secured Creditors may suffer as a result.

18. Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

No person (other than the Rating Agencies in respect of Condition 17 (*Ratings Confirmations*)) shall have any right to enforce any term or condition of the Covered Bonds under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

19. Governing Law

The Trust Deed, the Agency Agreement, the Covered Bonds, the Receipts, the Coupons and the other Transaction Documents (other than each Scottish Declaration of Trust and certain documents to be granted pursuant to the Deed of Charge) are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law unless specifically stated to the contrary. Each Scottish Declaration of Trust is governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, Scots law. Certain documents to be granted pursuant to the Deed of Charge will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, Scots law. Those aspects of the Transaction Documents specific to Northern Irish Loans will be governed by Northern Irish law. Any non-contractual matter, claim or dispute arising out of or in connection with the LLP Deed, the Master Definitions and Construction Agreement, the Trust Deed, the Covered Bonds, the Receipts and the Coupons is governed by, and shall be determined in accordance with, English law unless specifically stated to the contrary.