#### **FORM 8.3**

### PUBLIC OPENING POSITION DISCLOSURE/DEALING DISCLOSURE BY

### A PERSON WITH INTERESTS IN RELEVANT SECURITIES REPRESENTING 1% OR MORE

Rule 8.3 of the Takeover Code (the "Code")

### 1. KEY INFORMATION

	Qube Research & Technologies
	Limited
(b) Owner or controller of interests and short positions disclosed, if different from 1(a):	
The naming of nominee or vehicle companies is insufficient. For a trust, the trustee(s), settlor and	
beneficiaries must be named.	
(c) Name of offeror/offeree in relation to whose relevant securities this form relates:	DS Smith plc
Use a separate form for each offeror/offeree	
(d) If an exempt fund manager connected with an offeror/offeree, state this and specify identity of	
offeror/offeree:	
(e) Date position held/dealing undertaken:	12-07-2024
For an opening position disclosure, state the latest practicable date prior to the disclosure	
(f) In addition to the company in 1(c) above, is the discloser making disclosures in respect of any other	Yes - International Paper
party to the offer?	Company
If it is a cash offer or possible cash offer, state "N/A"	

#### 2. POSITIONS OF THE PERSON MAKING THE DISCLOSURE

If there are positions or rights to subscribe to disclose in more than one class of relevant securities of the offeror or offeree named in 1(c), copy table 2(a) or (b) (as appropriate) for each additional class of relevant security.

# (a) Interests and short positions in the relevant securities of the offeror or offeree to which the disclosure relates following the dealing (if any)

Class of relevant security:		10p ordinary share			
	Interest	S	Short positi	ons	
	Number	%	Number	%	
(1) Relevant securities owned and/or controlled:	0	0	0	0	
(2) Cash-settled derivatives:	19,203,682	1.39	0	0	
(3) Stock-settled derivatives (including options) and agreements to purchase/sell:	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL:	19,203,682	1.39	0	0	

All interests and all short positions should be disclosed.

Details of any open stock-settled derivative positions (including traded options), or agreements to purchase or sell relevant securities, should be given on a Supplemental Form 8 (Open Positions).

# (b) Rights to subscribe for new securities (including directors' and other employee options)

Class of relevant security in relation to which subscription right exists:	(	)
Details, including nature of the rights concerned and relevant percentages:	(	)

# 3. DEALINGS (IF ANY) BY THE PERSON MAKING THE DISCLOSURE

Where there have been dealings in more than one class of relevant securities of the offeror or offeree named in 1(c), copy table 3(a), (b), (c) or (d) (as appropriate) for each additional class of relevant security dealt in.

The currency of all prices and other monetary amounts should be stated.

#### (a) Purchases and sales

Class of relevant security Purchase/sale Number of securities Price per unit (GBp)	Class of relevant security	nt security Purchase/sale	Number of securities	
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# (b) Cash-settled derivative transactions

Class of relevant	Product	Nature of dealing	Number of	Exercise price per
security	description	e.g. opening/closing a long/short position, increasing/reducing	securities	unit (GBp)
	e.g. call option			
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	131	420.60
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	260	416.00
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	500	416.80
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	775	415.60
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	794	421.00
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	951	416.20
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	1391	417.60
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	1572	415.40
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	1668	421.40
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	2994	416.40
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	3009	417.00
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	3482	420.30
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	4463	420.20
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	5197	418.00
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	5942	418.20
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	7149	420.40
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	8692	418.40
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	8911	418.60
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	9875	419.00
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	11859	418.80
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	14881	419.20
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	19314	419.40
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	20113	419.60
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	34006	420.00
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	75174	419.80
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	increasing a long position	273571	420.80
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	decreasing a long position	999	418.80
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	decreasing a long position	2102	420.00
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	decreasing a long position	5025	419.40
10p ordinary share	Equity swap	decreasing a long position	15300	420.80

# (c) Stock-settled derivative transactions (including options)

# (i) Writing, selling, purchasing or varying

Class of	Product	Writing, purchasing,	Number of securities	Exercise price	Туре	Expiry	Option money
relevant	description e.g.	selling, varying etc.	to which option relates	per unit (GBp)	e.g. American,	date	paid/ received per
security	call option				European etc.		unit

# (ii) Exercise

Class of relevant security	Product description e.g. call option	Exercising/ exercised against	Number of securities	Exercise price per unit
0	0	0	0	0

# (d) Other dealings (including subscribing for new securities)

Class of relevant security	Nature of dealing	Details	Price per unit (if applicable)
	e.g. subscription, conversion		

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### 4. OTHER INFORMATION

# (a) Indemnity and other dealing arrangements

Details of any indemnity or option arrangement, or any agreement or understanding, formal or informal, relating to relevant securities which may be an inducement to deal or refrain from dealing entered into by the person making the disclosure and any party to the offer or any person acting in concert with a party to the offer:

Irrevocable commitments and letters of intent should not be included. If there are no such agreements, arrangements or understandings, state "none"

N	O	ne

## (b) Agreements, arrangements or understandings relating to options or derivatives

Details of any agreement, arrangement or understanding, formal or informal, between the person making the disclosure and any other person relating to:

- (i) the voting rights of any relevant securities under any option; or
- (ii) the voting rights or future acquisition or disposal of any relevant securities to which any derivative is referenced:

If there are no such agreements, arrangements or understandings, state "none"

None

#### (c) Attachments

Is a Supplemental Form 8 (Open Positions) at	Is a Supplemental Form 8 (Open Positions) attached?		
Date of disclosure:	15-07-2024		
Contact name:	Stuart Brown		
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Public disclosures under Rule 8 of the Code must be made to a Regulatory Information Service.

The Panel's Market Surveillance Unit is available for consultation in relation to the Code's disclosure requirements on +44 (0)20 7638 0129. The Code can be viewed on the Panel's website at <a href="https://www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk">www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk</a>.

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