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RECOMMENDED CASH AND SHARE OFFER FOR DIRECT LINE INSURANCE GROUP PLC ("DIRECT LINE")

BY AVIVA PLC ("AVIVA")

to be effected by means of a Scheme of Arrangement under Part 26 of the Companies Act 2006

SALE OF SECURITIES FOLLOWING PENSION TRANSFER IN

As required pursuant to Rule 4.2 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers (the "Code"), Aviva notes that it intends to sell 52,109 ordinary shares of Direct Line (the "Direct Line Shares") received in the ordinary course of its occupational pension scheme business.

The Aviva Master Trust is an occupational pension scheme, governed by a wholly independent trustee board, which manages assets on behalf of its members. In line with normal industry practice, when the Aviva Master Trust secures a new client, the assets of the existing occupational scheme are often transferred in specie to the Aviva Master Trust.

Following a recent client onboarding, Aviva Investors (on behalf of the Aviva Master Trust) received 52,109 Direct Line Shares. The index of securities held by the receiving fund (which is derived from the investment strategy chosen by the underlying client) does not include any Direct Line ordinary shares. Therefore, Aviva Investors is required to sell the Direct Line Shares and will do so not less than 24 hours following this announcement.

The Panel on Takeover and Mergers has confirmed on an ex-parte basis that such dealings in these Direct Line Shares shall have no Code consequences.

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