Transactions in own shares

Date of purchase: 04 March 2024 Aggregate number of ordinary shares purchased: 32 Lowest price paid per share GBp 173.20 Highest price per share GBp 174.60 Average price per share GBp 174.08

The company intends to cancel the purchased shares.

Since 17 May 2023, the Company has purchased 15,531,519 shares at a cost (including dealing and associated costs) of \$31,129,651.81 (£24,762,142.29).

Following the above transaction, the company holds 0 of its ordinary shares in treasury and has 1,119,868,078 ordinary shares in issue (excluding treasury shares and any shares purchased by the Company through Merrill Lynch International which are yet to be cancelled).

Schedule of Purchases

Shares purchased: (ISIN: GB00BL9ZF303 | LEI: 213800HTCF8A7XM22A32) Date of purchases: 04 March 2024 Investment Firm: Merrill Lynch International

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| Venue | Volume-weighted average price (GBp) | Aggregated volume | Lowest price per share (GBp) | Highest price per share (GBp) |
|--------------------------|---|----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| London Stock Exchange | 174.08 | 32 | 173.20 | 174.60 |
| Cboe BXE | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Cboe CXE | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Aquis | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Turquoise | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

Aggregate information:

The schedule accessible via the following link contains detailed and aggregated information of the individual trades made by Merrill Lynch International as part of the buyback programme:

Detailed Purchases:

| Transaction Date | Transaction Time | Volume | Price (GBp) | Platform | Transaction Reference Number |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------|-------------|----------|---------------------------------|
| 04-Mar-24 | 08:42:07 | 4 | 173.20 | XLON | 0XL97000000000346OOF |
| 04-Mar-24 | 09:18:44 | 2 | 174.00 | XLON | 0XL97000000000346R8B |
| 04-Mar-24 | 13:04:54 | 8 | 174.60 | XLON | 0XL9700000000003479AT |
| 04-Mar-24 | 14:04:17 | 4 | 174.20 | XLON | 0XL97000000000347DV4 |
| 04-Mar-24 | 14:52:58 | 2 | 174.00 | XLON | 0XL970000000000347J9U |
| 04-Mar-24 | 14:53:19 | 12 | 174.00 | XLON | 0XL97000000000347JBV |

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