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The Insolvency Act 1986 Notice of Result of Meeting of Creditors Pursuant to Section 24(4)/25(6) of the Insolvency Act 1986

S.24(4)/25(6)

For Official Use To the Registrar of Companies Company Number 166702 Name of Company Insert full name of The Washington Chemical Company Limited (In Administration) company James John Gleave Insert full name and We, Simon Vincent Freakley address 84 Grosvenor Street 1 Oxford Court London Bishopsgate W1K3LN Manchester administrators of the company attach a copy of our report to the Court dated Insert date 19 December 2001 detailing the resolutions passed at a meeting of creditors held on Insert date 19 December 2001 11 January 2002 Signed Dated Presenter's name, Simon Vincent Freakley For Official Use address and reference Kroll Buchler Phillips Limited Insolvency Section Post Room (if any) 84 Grosvenor Street London W1K 3LN

Report of Meeting of Creditors

The Washington Chemical Company Limited

i Simon Freakley Joint Administrator of the company hereby report that a meeting of creditors in the above matter was held

at - The Westbury Hotel, Conduit Street, London, W1S 2YF

on - 19 December 2001

at - 10:30AM

at which:-

- 1. The Proposals as set out as annexed were approved without modification.
- 2. No Creditors Committee was formed.

Signed

Joint Administrator Simon Freakley

Dated

19 December 2001

The Washington Chemical Company Limited (In Administration)

Statement of Administrators' Proposals Under Section 23 Insolvency Act 1986

Pursuant to Section 23 of the UK Insolvency Act 1986 and Rule 2.16 of the UK Insolvency Rules 1986, the Joint Administrators present the following proposals for consideration at the meeting of creditors of the Company on 19 December 2001:-

- The Joint Administrators continue to manage the outstanding matters in relation to the Company as they consider necessary and to work with Management towards the development of a Reorganisation Plan as discussed in Section 6 of the attached General Report. In the absence of a creditors' committee being constituted, a further meeting of creditors will be called as soon as detailed proposals can be presented, to enable the creditors to consider the matter further.
- The Joint Administrators will continue to do all such other things and generally exercise all of their powers as contained in Schedule 1 of the UK Insolvency Act 1986, as they, consider desirable or expedient in order to achieve the purposes of the Administration Order for the Company. This is also in order to protect and preserve the assets of the Company, and to maximise the realisation of its assets, or to achieve any other purposes, which are consistent with these proposals, subject to the Protocol referred to in Section 5.1 of the General Report.
- The creditors consider establishing a creditors' committee. If any such committee is formed, it be
 authorised to sanction any proposed act on the part of the Joint Administrators without the need to
 report back to a further meeting of creditors, to include making any decision about the most
 appropriate exit route from the Administration.
- In the absence of a creditors' committee being formed, the Joint Administrators may decide on the most appropriate exit route from the Administration, having due regard to the interests of any creditors which would be preferential in a subsequent Compulsory Liquidation. This matter will be discussed at the proposed meeting to be convened for the purpose of considering detailed proposals. The following options will be available as exit routes from the Administration of the Company:-
 - Compulsory winding-up;
 - Creditors' Voluntary winding-up;
 - Company Voluntary Arrangement;
 - Section 425 (Companies Act 1985) Scheme of Arrangement.
- It is proposed that these options will be discussed fully in our detailed proposals to be submitted as soon as we are in a position to present them.