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**COMPANIES FORM No. 155(6)a** 

### **Declaration in relation to** assistance for the acquisition of shares

**155**(6)a

Pursuant to section 155(6) of the Companies Act 1985

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Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering	To the Registrar of Companie (Address overleaf - Note 5		For official use	Company number 468147	
Note Please read the notes on page 3 before completing this form.	Name of company				
	* FOSECO INTERNATIO	NAL LIMITED			
* insert full name of company	X/We ø		17 70 17		
ø insert name(s) and	David Gordon Husse DE13 9SH	ey of Callingwood Hall, Callin	igwood Lane, Tatenhi	II, Burton on Trent, Staffs	
address(es) of all the directors	Paul David Dean of 11 Botany, Highworth, Swindon, Wilts SN6 7BT Gary Millar of Meadowside, Henley Road, Ullenhall, Solihull, West Midlands, Warwickshire B95 5NN Roland Johnson of 7 Temple Road, Dorridge, Solihull, West Midlands B93 8LE Sharon Roberts of 6 Hillwood Road, Four Oaks, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands B75 5QL				
† delete as appropriate	[*************************************				
§ delete whichever is inappropriate	ZYYYYXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX				
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	(c) something other than the above§				
	The company is proposing to give financial assistance in connection with the acquisition of shares in th				
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				Limited]	
	The assistance is for the purpose of that acquisition].f		([reducing or discha	arging a liability incurred for th	

Presentor's name address and reference (if any):

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Broadwalk House, 5 Appold Street London EC2A 2HA

For official Use General Section

The number and class of the shares acquired or to be acquired is:

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60,616,139 ordinary shares of 25p

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both of Coleshill Road, Fazeley, Tamworth, Staffordshire B78 3TL.		
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The assistance will take the form of:		
Particulars of the form of assistance to be provided are set out in attachment 1.		
The person who [has acquired] [w\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	† delete as appropriate	
Foseco (UK) Limited (No. 4250748) of Coleshill Road, Fazeley, Tamworth, Staffordshire B78, 3TL		
The principal terms on which the assistance will be given are:		
Particulars of the principal terms on which the assistance will be given are set out in attachment 2.		
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The amount of cash to be transferred to the person assisted is £  Please see attachment 3.	<u></u>	
The value of any asset to be transferred to the person assisted is £ <u>nil</u>		

Within eight weeks of the date hereof

The date on which the assistance is to be given is

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Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering

\* delete either (a) or (b) as appropriate **X**We have formed the opinion, as regards the company's initial situation immediately following the date on which the assistance is proposed to be given, that there will be no ground on which it could then be found to be unable to pay its debts. (note 3)

- (a) Nowe have formed the opinion that the company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due during the year immediately following that date1\* (note 3)
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And X/we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

Declared at TAMWORTH IN THE

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Day Month Year 10 0

before me

A Commissioner for Oaths or Notary Rublic or Justice of the Peace or a Solicitor having the powers conferred on

a Commissioner for Oaths.

Declarants to sign below

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#### **NOTES**

- 1 For the meaning of "a person incurring a liability" and "reducing or discharging a liability" see section 152(3) of the Companies Act 1985.
- 2 Insert full name(s) and address(es) of the person(s) to whom assistance is to be given; if a recipient is a company the registered office address should be shown.
- 3 Contingent and prospective liabilities of the company are to be taken into account - see section 156(3) of the Companies Act 1985.
- 4 The auditors report required by section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985 must be annexed to this form.
- 5 The address for companies registered in England and Wales or Wales is:-

The Registrar of Companies Companies House Crown Way Cardiff **CF14 3UZ** 

or, for companies registered in Scotland:-

The Registrar of Companies 37 Castle Terrace Edinburgh EH1 2EB

#### **FOSECO INTERNATIONAL LIMITED**

#### Company Number 468147 Attachment 1 to Form 155(6)a

#### 1. Guarantee and Indemnity

The execution by the Company of an accession letter (the "Accession Letter") (to be dated on or about the date of this Form 155(b)(a)) to a Multicurrency Term and Revolving Facilities Agreement entered into by Foseco plc, the Finance Parties and others dated 4 May 2005 (as subsequently amended) (the "Facilities Agreement"), pursuant to which the Company will accede to the Facilities Agreement as an Additional Guarantor and guarantee the obligations of the Obligors (other than a German Borrower) under the Facilities Agreement (the "Guarantee").

#### 2. Upstream Loan Facility

An intra-group loan facility granted by the Company, along with other members of the group of companies of which it is a member, in favour of Foseco plc (No. 5413927) pursuant to an upstream loan agreement dated on or about the date hereof (the "Upstream Loan Agreement").

Capitalised terms, unless otherwise defined, take the meaning set out in the Facilities Agreement.

## FOSECO INTERNATIONAL LIMITED Company Number 468147 Attachment 2 to Form 155(6)a

The principal terms on which the assistance will be given are:

#### 1. Guarantee and Indemnity

Pursuant to the Accession Letter (including the Guarantee), the Company agrees, irrevocably and unconditionally, jointly and severally with any other Guarantors, to:

- (a) guarantee to each Finance Party punctual performance by each Borrower (other than a German Borrower) of all that Borrower's obligations under the Finance Documents;
- (b) undertake with each Finance Party that whenever a Borrower (other than a German Borrower) does not pay any amount when due under or in connection with any Finance Document, the Company shall immediately on demand pay that amount as if it was the principal obligor; and
- (c) indemnify each Finance Party immediately on demand against any cost, loss or liability suffered by that Finance Party if any obligation guaranteed by it under (a) and/or (b) above is or becomes unenforceable, invalid or illegal. The amount of the cost, loss or liability shall be equal to the amount which that Finance Party would otherwise have been entitled to recover.

#### 2. Upstream Loan

By executing the Upstream Loan Agreement, Subco will make available to Foseco plc (No. 5413927) (the "Assisted Company") a revolving loan facility of up to £46,000,000 in order to enable the Assisted Company to make payments when due under a facilities agreement dated 4 May 2005 between, inter alia, the Assisted Company and The Royal Bank of Scotland plc (as amended or restated from time to time), any such advances under the facility to be made only if the aggregate of all monies standing to the credit of all its bank accounts exceeds the amount of the proposed advance.

All capitalised terms, unless otherwise defined, take the meaning set out in the Facilities Agreement.

#### FOSECO INTERNATIONAL LIMITED Company Number 468147 Attachment 3 to Form 155(6)a

Cash to be transferred at the time of the giving of the financial assistance is nil. However, cash may become payable under the Guarantee and/or under the Upstream Loan Agreement.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF FOSECO INTERNATIONAL LIMITED PURSUANT TO SECTION 156(4) OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the attached statutory declarations of the directors dated 10 May 2005, prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law, in connection with the proposal that the company should give financial assistance in support of debt of Foseco Holding Limited and Foseco plc incurred to refinance existing debt previously used to acquire shares in Foseco Overseas Limited.

This report is made solely to the directors in accordance with section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the directors those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report under section 156(4) and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the directors, for our work under section 156(4), for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### Basis of opinion

We have enquired into the state of affairs of the company so far as necessary in order to review the bases for the statutory declaration.

#### **Opinion**

We are not aware of anything to indicate that the opinion expressed by the directors in their declaration as to any of the matters mentioned in section 156(2) of the Companies Act 1985 is unreasonable in all the circumstances.

Ernst & Young LLP Registered Auditor No.1 Colmore Square Birmingham B4 6HQ

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10 May 2005