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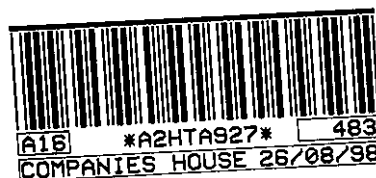
Dear Sirs

Following the merger of Price Waterhouse and Coopers & Lybrand from 1 July 1998, we have agreed that the new firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers will be replacing us as auditors. In accordance with Section 392 of the Companies Act 1985 we give notice that we are resigning as auditors of IBM United Kingdom Pensions Trust Limited with effect from 30 July 1998.

Yours faithfully

*Price Waterhouse*

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Dear Sirs

**IBM UNITED KINGDOM PENSIONS TRUST LIMITED**

In accordance with Section 394 of the Companies Act 1985, we confirm that there are no circumstances connected with our ceasing to hold office as auditors to the company that we consider should be brought to the attention of the company's members or creditors.

Yours faithfully

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Offices at Aberdeen, Birmingham, Bristol, Cardiff, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Hull, Leeds, Leicester, London, Manchester, Middlesbrough, Newcastle, Nottingham, St Albans, Southampton and Windsor.

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