

COMPANIES FORM No. 155(6)b

# Declaration by the directors of a holding company in relation to assistance for the acquisition of shares



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

Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or To the Registrar of Companies (Address overleaf - Note 5)

Company number	
4250748	

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Name of company

Note Please read the notes on page 3 before completing this form

\* FOSECO (UK) LIMITED (The Company)

\* insert full name of company

Wwe David Gordon Hussey of Callingwood Hall, Callingwood Lane, Tatenhill, Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire, DE13 9SH

ø insert name(s) and address(es) of all the directors

Paul Dean of 11 Botany, Highworth, Swindon, Wiltshire SN6 7BT

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t delete as appropriate

§ delete whichever is inappropriate The business of this company is:

- (c) something other than the above§

This company is [the] [X holding company of\* Foseco (GB) Limited ("Subco")

which is proposing to give financial assistance in connection with the acquisition of shares in [this company] [

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

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Broadwalk House
5 Appold Street
London
EC2A 2HA
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The assistance is for the purpose of [ACCACACACACACACACACACACACACACACACACACA	Please do not write in this margin
The number and class of the shares acquired or to be acquired is: 999 ordinary shares  of £1.00 each	
The assistance is to be given to: (note 2) Foseco plc (company number 5413927) of Coleshill Road, Fazeley, Tamworth, Staffordshire B78 3XG	
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************** the shares is:  Foseco Holding Limited (company number 4229276) of Coleshill Road, Fazeley, Tamworth, Staffordshire B78 3XG  The principal terms on which the assistance will be given are:	† delete as appropriate
PARTICULARS OF THE FORM OF ASSISTANCE TO BE PROVIDED ARE SET OUT IN ATTACHMENT 2.	
The amount (if any) by which the net assets of the company which is giving the assistance will be reduced by giving it is $\_{\tt NIL}$	<b>i</b> -
The amount of cash to be transferred to the person assisted is £  See attachment 3.	<b></b>
The value of any asset to be transferred to the person assisted is £	3706729 Page 2

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Please do not write in this margin The date on which the assistance is to be given is

within eight weeks of today's date

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' delete either (a) or (b) as appropriate We have formed the opinion, as regards this 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) We have formed the opinion that this company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due during the year immediately following that date]\* (note 3)

And Xwe 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

COUNTY OF STAFFORDIAINE

Declarants to sign below

Day Month

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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.

Year

# **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 Companies House 37 Castle Terrace Edinburgh EH1 2EB

## FOSECO (UK) LIMITED

#### Company Number 4250748 Attachment 1 to Form 155(6)b

## **Upstream Loan Facility**

An intra-group loan facility granted by Subco, 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").

#### FOSECO (UK) LIMITED Company Number 4250748 Attachment 2 to Form 155(6)b

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

#### **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.

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

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

We have examined the attached statutory declarations of the directors dated 10 May, prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law, in connection with the proposed financial assistance to be given by the company's subsidiary, Foseco (GB) Limited, in support of debt of Foseco plc incurred to refinance existing debt previously used to acquire shares in Foseco (UK) 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

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No.1 Colmore Square Birmingham

B4 6HO

10 May 2005