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# 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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Note

Please read the notes on page 3 before completing this form

- \* insert full name of company
- ø insert name(s) and address(es) of all the directors

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Company number

04396961

Name of company

\* STONEBEACH LIMITED (the "Company")

XWe ø As specified in Appendix 1 attached.

† delete as appropriate

§ delete whichever is inappropriate **The Management of the above company do solemnly and sincerely declare that**The business of the company is

(c) something other than the above §

number 05914839)

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

500,000 ordinary shares

of £0.10 each

Presentor's name address and reference (If any) Pinsent Masons CityPoint One Ropemaker Street London EC2Y 9AH

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The assistance is to be given to (note 2) Patisserie Holdings Limited (Company number 06070007) of 32 Bedford Row, London WC1R 4EH (the "Purchaser") and Patisserie Valerie Holdings Limited (Company number			
The assistance will take the form of			
Please see Appendix 2 attached.	7		
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The person who [has acquired] [XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	† delete as		
the Purchaser	appropriate		
The principal terms on which the assistance will be given are			
Please see Appendix 3 attached.	7		
The amount of cash to be transferred to the person assisted is £ See Appendix 4	_		
The value of any asset to be transferred to the person assisted is £n11	<u> </u>		
The date on which the assistance is to be given is within 8 weeks of the date hereof	Page 2		

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delete either (a) or (b) as appropriate

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) K/We have formed the opinion that the company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due during the year immediately following that date]\* (note 3)

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

Timpoint London

Declarants to sign below

Day Month Year
on before me

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

a Commissioner for Oaths

### **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

# Company no 04396961

# **STONEBEACH LIMITED - (the "Company")**

# Form 155(6)a

This declaration may be made in any number of counterparts, and this has the same effect as if the declaration made on the counterpart forms were made on a single copy of this form

These are the appendices to the declaration in Form 155(6)a made by the directors of the Company

# **APPENDIX 1**

Christopher Marsh 7 Kensington Close St Albans Hertfordshire AL1 1JT Victor Scalzo Flat 33 1 Reed Place Kenwyn Road London SW4 7LD

#### **APPENDIX 2**

- The assistance will take the form of the execution and delivery by the Company of the documents referred to below (as the same may be amended, varied, supplemented or substituted from time to time) pursuant to a facilities agreement dated on or about the date of this statutory declaration entered into between, inter alia, (1) Patisserie Holdings Limited (the "Borrower") (2) the Company and all other subsidiaries of the Borrower (together the "Relevant Companies") and (3) HSBC Bank plc (the "Bank") (the "Facilities Agreement") (each a "Document" and together the "Documents") (as each of such documents may be amended, restated, substituted, novated or transferred from time to time, and the parties to such documents shall include their successors in title, permitted assigns and permitted transferees, together the "Finance Documents") -
- an intercreditor agreement between inter alia the (1) Bank (2) the Borrower (3) the Company and all other Relevant Companies and (4) the Junior Creditors (as defined therein) pursuant to which, all liabilities owed by the Borrower, the Company and all other Relevant Companies to the Junior Creditors would be subordinate to the liabilities owed by the Borrower and the Relevant Companies to the Bank and the Hedge Counterparty (as defined therein) (the "Intercreditor Agreement")
- an intra-group loan agreement for an amount of up to £30,000,000 pursuant to which, among other things, the Company and all other Relevant Companies will be obliged to lend monies to the Borrower, on the terms and conditions thereof, to enable the Borrower to meet its debt service requirements as they fall due (as such document may be amended, supplemented or substituted from time to time) (the "Intra-Group Loan Agreement"),
- the letter of support from the Borrower to the Company and all other Relevant Companies (the "Letter of Support"),
- a debenture between (1) the Company and (2) the Bank, pursuant to which the Company will charge all of its assets by way of security to the Bank (the "Debenture"),
- the Facilities Agreement, pursuant to which the Company and all other Relevant Companies would agree to guarantee all of each other's and the Borrower's obligations under the Facilities Agreement, and
- an overdraft facility letter between, inter alia (1) the Borrower, the Company and all other Relevant Companies as Borrowers and (2) the Bank (the "Facility Letter")

Certain of the Finance Documents contain set off, trust and further assurance provisions. The liabilities which are guaranteed and secured pursuant to the Finance Documents include principal and interest payable with respect to the Facilities Agreement, together with costs and expenses (including, but not limited to legal and enforcement costs and expenses), plus the subject matter of any indemnities contained in the underlying Facilities Agreement and any commitment commissions and agency, arrangement or other fees.

#### **APPENDIX 3**

The principal terms on which the assistance will be given are as follows -

- Under the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement, the Company and all other Relevant Companies will agree that all liabilities owed by each of them to the Junior Creditors will remain subordinate to the liabilities owed by each of them to the Bank and the Hedge Counterparty (as defined therein)
- 2 Under the terms of the Intra Group Loan Agreement the Company and all other Relevant Companies will agree that on request by the Borrower at any time, each or any of them will be obliged (subject to certain solvency restrictions) to lend such sums to the Borrower up to a maximum aggregate amount of £30,000,000. The proceeds of each Advance (as defined therein) may be used, inter alia, to allow the Borrower to meet its debt repayments and requirements under the Facilities Agreement and any other related documentation as they fall due
- Under the terms of the Letter of Support, the Borrower will make available to the Company and all other Relevant Companies such sums as necessary to enable each Lender to meet its individual working capital needs
- 4 Under the terms of the Debenture, the Company will agree to charge all of its assets by way of security to the Bank
- Under the terms of the Facilities Agreement, the Company and the other Relevant Companies will agree to guarantee all the obligations of each other and of the Borrower under the Facilities Agreement

# **APPENDIX 4**

The amount of cash to be transferred to the person assisted is

- 1 nil at today's date, but subject to
- any amounts (up to a maximum of £30,000,000) to be transferred under the Intra-Group Loan Agreement

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The Directors Stonebeach Limited 32 Bedford Row London EC1 4HE

Dear Sirs

# AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF STONEBEACH LIMITED (THE COMPANY) PURSUANT TO SECTION 156(4) OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the attached statutory declaration of the directors dated (O July 2007 in connection with the proposal that the Company should give financial assistance for the purchase of the entire issued share capital of the Company's holding company, Patisserie Valerie Holdings Limited

# **BASIS OF OPINION**

We have enquired into the state of the Company's affairs 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

GRANT THORNTON UK LLP REGISTERED AUDITORS CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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