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# SCHEDULES

#### SCHEDULE 3

## APPROVED SAYE OPTION SCHEMES

## PART 6

#### REQUIREMENTS ETC. RELATING TO SHARE OPTIONS

Exercise of options: company events

- 37 (1) The scheme may provide that share options relating to shares in a company may be exercised within 6 months after the relevant date for the purposes of subparagraph (2), (4) or (5).
  - (2) The relevant date for the purposes of this sub-paragraph is the date when—
    - (a) a person has obtained control of the company as a result of making an offer falling within sub-paragraph (3), and
    - (b) any condition subject to which the offer is made has been satisfied.
  - (3) An offer falls within this sub-paragraph if it is—
    - (a) a general offer to acquire the whole of the issued ordinary share capital of the company, which is made on a condition such that, if it is met, the person making the offer will have control of the company, or
    - (b) a general offer to acquire all the shares in the company which are of the same class as the shares in question obtained under the scheme.
  - (4) The relevant date for the purposes of this sub-paragraph is the date when the court sanctions under—
    - (a) section 425 of the Companies Act 1985 (c. 6) (power to compromise with creditors and members), or
    - (b) Article 418 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (S.I. 1986/1032 (N.I. 6)) (corresponding provision for Northern Ireland),
    - a compromise or arrangement proposed for the purposes of or in connection with a scheme for the reconstruction or amalgamation of the company.
  - (5) The relevant date for the purposes of this sub-paragraph is the date when the company passes a resolution for voluntary winding up.
  - (6) The scheme may provide that share options relating to shares in a company may be exercised at any time when any person is bound or entitled to acquire shares in the company under—
    - (a) sections 428 to 430 of the Companies Act 1985 (c. 6) (power to acquire shares of shareholders dissenting from schemes or contract approved by majority), or

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- (b) Articles 421 to 423 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (S.I. 1986/1032 (N.I. 6)) (corresponding provision for Northern Ireland).
- (7) For the purposes of this paragraph—
  - (a) "share options" means share options granted under the scheme; and
  - (b) a person is to be treated as obtaining control of a company if that person and others acting in concert together obtain control of it.
- (8) This paragraph has effect subject to paragraph 30(1)(b) (options must not be capable of being exercised later than 6 months after bonus date).