

# Companies Act 2006

## **2006 CHAPTER 46**

### PART 27

#### MERGERS AND DIVISIONS OF PUBLIC COMPANIES

### CHAPTER 3

### DIVISION

#### Exceptions where shares of transferor company held by transferee company

# 931 Circumstances in which meeting of members of transferor company not required (division)

- (1) This section applies in the case of a division where all of the shares or other securities of the transferor company carrying the right to vote at general meetings of the company are held by or on behalf of one or more existing transferee companies.
- (2) It is not necessary for the scheme to be approved by a meeting of the members, or any class of members, of the transferor company if the court is satisfied that the following conditions have been complied with.
- $[^{F1}(3)$  The first condition is that either subsection (3A) or subsection (3B) is satisfied.
- (3A) This subsection is satisfied if publication of notice of receipt of the draft terms by the registrar took place in respect of all the companies involved in the division at least one month before the date of the court's order.
- (3B) This subsection is satisfied if-
  - (a) the conditions in section 921A(2) to (4) are met in respect of each of the companies involved in the division,
  - (b) in each case, the registrar published the notice mentioned in subsection (4) of that section in the Gazette at least one month before the date of the court's order, and

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- (c) the draft terms remained available on the website throughout the period beginning one month before, and ending on, that date.]
- [<sup>F2</sup>(4) The second condition is that subsection (4A) or (4B) is satisfied for each of the documents listed in the applicable paragraphs of section 926(3) relating to every company involved in the division.
- (4A) This subsection is satisfied for a document if the members of every company involved in the division were able during the period beginning one month before, and ending on, the date of the court's order to inspect that document at the registered office of their company.
- (4B) This subsection is satisfied for a document if—
  - (a) the document is made available on a website which is maintained by or on behalf of the company to which it relates and identifies the company,
  - (b) access to the document on the website is not conditional on payment of a fee or otherwise restricted, and
  - (c) the document remains available on the website throughout the period beginning one month before, and ending on, the date of the court's order.
- (4C) The third condition is that the members of every company involved in the division were able to obtain copies of the documents mentioned in subsection (4), or any part of those documents, on request and free of charge, throughout the period beginning one month before, and ending on, the date of the court's order.
- (4D) For the purposes of subsection (4C)—
  - (a) section 926A(5) applies as it applies for the purposes of section 926(1)(b), and
  - (b) Part 4 of Schedule 5 (communications by means of a website) does not apply.]
  - (5) <sup>F3</sup>.....
  - (6) The fourth condition is that the directors of the transferor company have sent—
    - (a) to every member who would have been entitled to receive notice of a meeting to agree to the scheme (had any such meeting been called), and
    - (b) to the directors of every existing transferee company,

a report of any material change in the property and liabilities of the transferor company between the date when the terms were adopted by the directors and the date one month before the date of the court's order.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 S. 931(3)(3A)(3B) substituted (1.8.2011 with application in accordance with reg. 1(2)) for s. 931(3) by The Companies (Reporting Requirements in Mergers and Divisions) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 2011/1606), reg. 27(2)
- F2 S. 931(4)-(4D) substituted (1.8.2011 with application in accordance with reg. 1(2)) for s. 931(4) by The Companies (Reporting Requirements in Mergers and Divisions) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 2011/1606), reg. 27(3)
- **F3** S. 931(5) omitted (1.8.2011 with application in accordance with reg. 1(2)) by virtue of The Companies (Reporting Requirements in Mergers and Divisions) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 2011/1606), reg. 27(4)

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