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PRESS NOTICE

GILT OPERATIONS: OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2009

In the period October-December 2009, the UK Debt Management Office (DMO) plans to hold 14 outright auctions, 3 mini-tenders and 1 syndicated offering of gilts, as set out in the tables below. The calendar of all operations is subject to confirmation depending on the Chancellor's decision on the date of Pre-Budget Report (PBR) 2009.

The DMO is also announcing today that the next syndicated gilt offer is planned to take place in the week commencing 21 September 2009 and will be of a new index-linked gilt maturing in 2050-52.

a) Auctions

Auction date	Gilt	Details announced (at 3.30pm)
Thursday 1 October	43/4% Treasury Gilt 2030	Tuesday 22 September
Tuesday 6 October	4½% Treasury Gilt 2013	Tuesday 29 September
Wednesday 7 October	05/8% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2042	Tuesday 29 September
Wednesday 14 October	4¾% Treasury Stock 2020	Tuesday 6 October
Thursday 22 October	5% Treasury Stock 2014	Tuesday 13 October
Tuesday 3 November	New conventional gilt maturing on 22	Tuesday 27 October*
	January 2015	
Wednesday 4 November	41/2% Treasury Gilt 2034	Tuesday 27 October
Tuesday 10 November	3¾% Treasury Gilt 2019	Tuesday 3 November
Thursday 12 November	11/4% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2032	Tuesday 3 November
Tuesday 24 November	4% Treasury Gilt 2022	Tuesday 17 November
Tuesday 1 December	A re-opening of the new conventional gilt maturing on 22 January 2015	Tuesday 24 November
Wednesday 2 December	4¼% Treasury Gilt 2039	Tuesday 24 November
Tuesday 8 December	33/4% Treasury Gilt 2019	Tuesday 1 December
Wednesday 9 December	11/4% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2027	Tuesday 1 December

^{*} including the coupon on the new conventional gilt maturing on 22 January 2015.

b) Mini-tenders

Mini-tender (week)	Details announced (at 3.30pm)
wc 12 October	Choice of gilt on Friday 2 October
	Size and date 24-48 hours in advance.
wc 16 November	Choice of gilt on Friday 6 November
	Size and date 24-48 hours in advance.
wc 14 December	Choice of gilt on Friday 4 December
	Size and date 24-48 hours in advance.

c) Syndicated offerings: September and October*

Date	Gilt	Further details
wc 21 September	A new index-linked gilt maturing in 2050-52.	Maturity date wc 1 September. Other details 1-2 weeks in advance.
Mid-late October	A new long-dated conventional gilt with a maturity in the 50-year area.	1-2 weeks in advance.

^{*}This schedule is subject to confirmation depending on market conditions nearer the time.

First dividend period

The new conventional gilt maturing on 22 January 2015 will pay a short first dividend on 22 January 2010.

New coupon series

The DMO has decided to introduce a new third coupon series for conventional gilts, paying on 22 January/July. The new 2015 maturity gilt to be launched in November 2009 will use the new series, but the DMO anticipates that, going forward, new conventional gilts may use either of the existing, or the new, coupon series.

The DMO is seeking further specific feedback on the introduction of a new coupon series for index-linked gilts and will make an announcement about this in due course.

Commenting on the operations calendar, Robert Stheeman, Chief Executive of the DMO

said:

"The third quarter of the financial year sees another busy period for the DMO. The structure of the gilt auction programme reflects our aim to achieve transparency and regularity in our gilt issuance patterns and our policy of building up benchmark issues at key maturities. Q3 will see the launch of a new 2015 conventional gilt to become the next five year benchmark and it will be issued on a new coupon series paying on 22 January and July. This third series has been introduced to achieve greater regularity into the annual cycle of coupon payments, and thereby assist our cash management function.

In addition to the auction details for Q3 of the financial year, we are today announcing more details of the syndication programme for the remainder of 2009; we plan to issue two new long-dated gilts. We are confirming today our plan to hold the second indexlinked gilt syndication in the third week of September. We will be announcing details of the syndicate, and more precise details of the gilt closer to the time. The second conventional gilt syndication will follow in October. We look forward to working together with the market to build on the successful start to our syndication programmes in the next two months".

Notes for editors

Gilt sales of £220.0 billion were announced in the DMO's financing remit for 2009-10 published with Budget 2009 on 22 April. Gilt sales in the financial year to-date are £94.2 billion. Progress against the remit plans is shown in the table below.

Gilt sales v remit 28 August 2009 (£ millions)						
	Conventional Gilts		Index-linked	Total		
	Short	Medium	Long	gilts		
Gilt sales to date	29,411	30,006	21,242	13,535	94,193	
1. Planned sales at auctions	74,000	70,000	27,000	12,000	183,000	
Sales at auctions to date	29,411	30,006	11,697	7,344	78,457	
Sales remaining at auctions	44,589	39,994	15,303	4,656	104,543	
Auctions remaining	9	11	7	5	32	
2. Sales by syndication	0	0	6,836	4,613	11,448	
Syndications to be allocated					13,552	
3. Sales by tender	0	0	2,709	1,578	4,288	
Tenders to be allocated					7,712	
Total planned sales					220,000	

The introduction of new coupon series for conventional gilts follows an informal consultation the DMO held with market participants in August 2009, which was supportive of the proposition.

This press release will be appearing at www.dmo.gov.uk