
9 per cent TREASURY STOCK, 1978

ISSUE OF £500,000,000 AT £96.50 PER CENT

Payable in Full on Application

Interest payable half-yearly on 15th March and 15th September

This Stock is an investment falling within Part II of the First Schedule to the Trustee Investments Act 1961. Application has been made to the Council of The Stock Exchange for the Stock to be admitted to the Official List.

THE GOVERNOR AND COMPANY OF THE BANK OF ENGLAND are authorised to receive applications for the above Stock.

The principal of and interest on the Stock will be a charge on the National Loans Fund, with recourse to the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The Stock will be repaid at par on 15th March 1978.

The Stock will be registered at the Bank of England or at the Bank of Ireland, Belfast, and will be transferable, in multiples of one new penny, by instrument in writing in accordance with the Stock Transfer Act 1963. Transfers will be free of stamp duty.

Interest will be payable half-yearly on 15th March and 15th September. The first payment will be made on 15th September 1975 at the rate of £4.59 per £100 of the Stock. Interest warrants will be transmitted by post; income tax will be deducted from payments of more than £5 per annum.

Stock of this issue and the interest payable thereon will be exempt from all United Kingdom taxation, present or future, so long as it is shown that the Stock is in the beneficial ownership of persons who are neither domiciled nor ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Further, the interest payable on Stock of this issue will be exempt from United Kingdom income tax, present or future, so long as it is shown that the Stock is in the beneficial ownership of persons who are not ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

For the purposes of the preceding paragraphs, persons are not ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom if they are regarded as not ordinarily resident for the purposes of United Kingdom income tax.

Applications for exemption from United Kingdom income tax should be made in such form as may be required by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue. The appropriate forms may be obtained from the Inspector of Foreign Dividends, Inland Revenue, 1 Blagdon Road, New Malden, Surrey, KT3 4BB.

These exemptions will not entitle a person to claim repayment of tax deducted from interest unless the claim to such repayment is made within the time limit provided for such claims under income tax law;

under the provisions of the Taxes Management Act 1970, Section 43 (1), no such claim will be outside this time limit if it is made within six years from the date on which the interest is payable. In addition, these exemptions will not apply so as to exclude the interest from any computation for taxation purposes of the profits of any trade or business carried on in the United Kingdom. Moreover, the allowance of the exemptions is subject to the provisions of any law, present or future, of the United Kingdom directed to preventing avoidance of taxation by persons domiciled, resident, or ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom, and, in particular, the interest will not be exempt from income tax where, under any such provision, it falls to be treated for the purpose of the Income Tax Acts as income of any person resident or ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom.

Applications, which must be accompanied by payment in full for the amount applied for, will be received at the Bank of England, New Issues, Watling Street, London, EC4M 9AA; a separate cheque must accompany each application. Applications must be for £100 of Stock or a multiple thereof; no allotment will be made for a less amount than £100 of Stock. Letters of allotment in respect of Stock allotted will be despatched by post at the risk of the applicant. In the case of partial allotment, the surplus after providing for payment for the amount allotted will be refunded by cheque.

Letters of allotment may be split into denominations of multiples of £100. They may be lodged for registration forthwith and in any case must be lodged for registration not later than 12th May 1975.

A commission at the rate of 3·125p per £100 of the Stock will be paid to bankers or stockbrokers on allotments made in respect of applications bearing their stamp.

Stock issued in accordance with the terms of this prospectus will be designated 9 per cent Treasury Stock, 1978 "A" until the close of business on 13th August 1975. At that time separate balances for the payment of the interest due on 15th September 1975 will be taken on the "A" Stock and on the existing 9 per cent Treasury Stock, 1978: accordingly, interest mandates or authorities for income tax exemption relating to holdings of the latter Stock will not be applied to the payment of interest due on 15th September 1975 on holdings of the "A" Stock. With effect from the opening of business on 14th August 1975, the "A" Stock will be amalgamated with the 9 per cent Treasury Stock, 1978 already in being. The last date for the lodgment at the Bank of England of transfers of "A" Stock will be 11th August 1975.

Prospectuses and application forms may be obtained at the Bank of England, New Issues, Watling Street, London, EC4M 9AA, or at any of the branches of the Bank of England; at the Bank of Ireland, P.O. Box 13, Donegall Place, Belfast, BT1 5BX; from Messrs. Mullens & Co., 15 Moorgate, London, EC2R 6AN; or at any office of The Stock Exchange in the United Kingdom.

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LONDON
7th March 1975.