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PRESS NOTICE

STERLING TREASURY BILL TENDERS: JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2006

In the second quarter of the 2006-07 financial year the United Kingdom Debt Management Office (DMO) will hold weekly tenders at which the Treasury bills on offer will include both one-month (approximately 28 days) and three-month (approximately 91 days) bills. In addition, the DMO intends to continue to hold monthly tenders for six-month bills (approximately 182 days).

The precise quantities and maturities of Treasury bills on offer will be announced with the results of the tender in the week prior to the relevant tender. The DMO expects the nominal amounts of three and six-month bills on offer at each tender to be relatively stable. The tender and settlement dates for the tenders to be held in the July to September 2006 period are set out below. Note that because of the August bank holiday the tender on 25 August will settle on Tuesday 29 August.

<u>Tender date</u>	<u>Settlement date</u>
7 July	10 July
14 July	17 July
21 July	24 July
28 July	31 July
4 August	7 August
11 August	14 August
18 August	21 August

25 August	29 August
1 September	4 September
8 September	11 September
15 September	18 September
22 September	25 September
29 September	2 October

The next quarterly notice outlining the maturities of Treasury bills to be made available at tenders in the period from October to December 2006 will be issued with the results of the tender to be held on 29 September 2006.

NOTE TO EDITORS

Each quarter the DMO publishes a timetable of Treasury bill tenders for the quarter ahead, and an indication of likely maturities. It was announced along with the Budget Report on 22 March that the stock of Treasury bills in market hands was scheduled to rise by £2.0 billion in 2006-07. Following the publication of the outturn Central Government Net Cash Requirement (CGNCR) for 2005-06, however, which resulted in a fall of £0.5 billion in the financing requirement for 2006-07, planned Treasury bill sales were reduced by £0.5 billion. This takes the planned level of Treasury bill stocks at end-March 2007 to £20.6 billion.

Further information on Treasury bill issuance may be found in the Exchequer Cash Management Operational Notice, which was published by the DMO on 11 September 2003. The Operational Notice and press release is available on the DMO's website: www.dmo.gov.uk.