

NEW GILT-EDGED MARKET MAKER - SANTANDER GBM

The UK Debt Management Office (DMO), jointly with the London Stock Exchange, today announces that Santander Global Banking & Markets - the trading name of Abbey National Treasury Services plc - is to be recognised as a Gilt-edged Market Maker (GEMM), in the wholesale sector of the conventional gilt market, with effect from the opening of business on Thursday 19 August 2010. This appointment will bring the total number of primary dealer firms in the UK government bond market to nineteen (eighteen of which are primary dealers in both conventional and index-linked gilts, two of which are retail sector specialists).

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