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LLOYDS BANKING GROUP ANNOUNCES SALE OF EMPLOYEE EQUITY SOLUTIONS BUSINESS

Lloyds Banking Group plc today announces that it has concluded a strategic review of its Employee Equity Solutions (EES) business. This review has resulted in an agreement to sell EES to Computershare for a cash consideration of up to £40 million, subject to regulatory approval. The effect on the Lloyds Banking Group accounts is not expected to be material.

EES offers a complete share plan service to over 400 companies in 100 different countries. This includes a full range of share plans; such as all-employee, international sharesave plans, performance-based executive plans, UK tax approved plans and structured offshore trust and administration services. Computershare will continue to service all existing clients.

EES employs approximately 420 people across three main locations: Halifax, Jersey and Purley and it is expected that they will transfer, on completion of the sale, to Computershare. Lloyds Banking Group has consulted with the unions (Accord, LTU and Unite) and they will continue to be consulted throughout the transfer process.

The transfer is expected to complete by the end of the year, subject to regulatory approval.

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