LLOYDS BANKING GROUP DISPOSAL OF APPROXIMATELY 98 MILLION SHARES IN STANDARD LIFE ABERDEEN PLC

Lloyds Banking Group today announces that it has sold its remaining stake in Standard Life Aberdeen plc (the ‘Company’), representing approximately 3.3 per cent of the Company’s issued ordinary share capital, at a price of 352.5 pence per share raising aggregate gross sale proceeds of £344 million. There is no impact on the Income Statement as the investment has been accounted for at fair value through other comprehensive income.

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