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Imperial Tobacco Group PLC: Capital Increase

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Summary:

On May 20, 2008, the company Imperial Tobacco Group PLC announced a capital increase with subscription rights for Imperial Tobacco Group PLC shareholders. Subscription ratio will be 2:1, subscription price for the new shares will be 1475 pence.

The new shares will be not be entitled to the interim dividend for the 2008 fiscal year, as approved by the company on May 20, 2008. The subscription period will begin on May 21, 2008. As a consequence of the capital increase, an adjustment to the Eurex stock futures contract on Imperial Tobacco Group PLC (IMTF) will become necessary.

Ex date will be **May 21, 2008.**

This circular describes the adjustment procedure.

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Imperial Tobacco Group PLC: Capital Increase

Measure:
Capital increase with subscription rights for Imperial Tobacco Group PLC.

Ratio: 2:1

(i.e. two old shares of Imperial Tobacco Group PLC entitle to subscribe to one new share of Imperial Tobacco Group PLC

Subscription Price:
1475 pence

Dividend Entitlement of the new Shares:
No entitlement to the interim dividend 2008

Last cum trading day:
May 20, 2008

Ex date:

May 21, 2008

Start of Subscription Period:

May 21, 2008

Affected Products:
IMTF

Reference to underlying Eurex Rules & Regulations:
Contract Specifications for Futures Contracts and Options Contracts at Eurex Deutschland and Eurex Zürich, Section 1.6.7 (3).

The updated Contract Specifications will be available on the Eurex website as of the ex date under:

www.eurexchange.com > Documents > Rules and Regulations

ISIN:
The ISIN of the Imperial Tobacco Group PLC share (GB0004544929) will remain unchanged.

Procedure

Determination of Adjustment Factor (R-Factor)

The official closing auction price of the Imperial Tobacco Group PLC share at the London Stock Exchange on May 20, 2008 will be the basis for determination of the R-factor.

The R-factor will be determined with eight decimal places. It is calculated in the following way:

R = ((number of existing shares / number of new shares) * (1 - (issue price of new shares + dividend disadvantage)/ closing auction price))) + (issue price of new shares + dividend disadvantage)/ closing auction price)

R = ((2 / 3) * (1 - 1475 + 24 / closing auction price))) + (1475 + 24 / closing auction price)

Futures

1. Adjustment of Contract Size and Variation Margin

To adjust the calculation of the Variation Margin of the following day, settlement prices of the last cum trading day will be multiplied by the R-factor.

The new contract size will be calculated as follows:

Contract size new = contract size old / R-factor

All outstanding orders and quotes will be deleted after close of trading on the last cum trading day.

2. Introduction of a new Contract

A new Eurex stock futures contract on Imperial Tobacco Group PLC will be introduced with standard contract size 1000 and new product code IMTG.

The date of introduction will be published via the **Market Supervision Messages** window.

As soon as the new contract is available for trading and there are no more series with open interest in the original contract on Imperial Tobacco Group PLC (IMTF), trading in this contract will be set on “HALT” and discontinued.

signed: Thomas Lenz

signed: Manfred Weber

Frankfurt, May 20, 2008