Keydata Investment Services Limited (in administration) ("KIS")

PwC announces sale of Keydata's structured product book

Dan Schwarzmann and Mark Batten, partners at PricewaterhouseCoopers and joint administrators of Keydata Investment Services limited are pleased to announce the sale of Keydata's structured product book to Merchant Capital.

The book, which does not include any SLS, Lifemark or Hometrak backed investments, consists of Keydata products backed by blue chip financial institutions. The book has a value of £187 million and affects 12,500 investors. The processing of income, maturity and early redemptions payments on these products has been ongoing since last year.

Dan Schwarzmann, joint administrator of Keydata and partner at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP said:

"We can confirm that a transfer of the Keydata structured product book to Merchant Capital has been completed meaning the future administration of the plans has been secured for some 12,500 investors. This transfer will also now insulate those investors from the Keydata administration with no disruption to their payments, which they will continue to receive as usual."

The investors who are affected by this sale will receive communication from Merchant Capital after the completion of the transfer. Enquiries from investors concerning the transfer of Keydata's book should be directed to Merchant Capital from 27 April 2010 using the contact details provided below. From 1 May 2010 onwards, Merchant Capital will take on the responsibility for the management of plans including the processing of income payments, surrenders and maturities. Merchant Capital has advised that this will mean that the administration of client plans will now be undertaken by Pritchard Stockbrokers Limited (Pritchard, a firm authorised and regulated by the FSA) on behalf of Merchant Capital.

Merchant Capital have further advised that in order to achieve a clean cut-off and to ensure the integrity of the migration of data to the Merchant Capital systems, there may be a short period where any surrender requests, ad hoc valuation requests or requests for any other changes may be subject to a short delay. This is particularly important for Keydata clients in relation to three Keydata managed plans due to mature during the last week of April. Merchant Capital have stated that the maturity payments on these plans will also be subject to a short delay while the details of investors are verified in this transitional phase. Merchant Capital has assured clients that their investments are not at risk.

If you need to contact the new team at Merchant Capital, they can be contacted by telephone on 0207 332 2218, by fax on 0207 332 2201 or by email to keydata@merchant-capital.com or visit www.merchant-capital.com/our-services/structured-products

The products concerned are listed below:

Accumulating Investment Plan
Annual Kickout Plan
Capital Protected Bonus Plan
Keydata Capital Protected Growth Plan 1
Keydata Defined Growth Plan (Issue 1)
Keydata DGP Hammond Champness Pension Scheme
Keydata DGP Plus (Issues 11,12,14 & 15 (Options 1 and 2))
Keydata Dynamic Growth Plans 5-7, 9-12 & 14-20
Keydata Dynamic Growth Plan 8 – Balanced Growth
Keydata Dynamic Growth Plan 8 – opportunity growth

Keydata Dynamic Growth Plan Plus (Issues 1 - 12 & 14 - 16)

Keydata Dynamic Growth Plan Plus (Special Edition Issues 1 & 2)

Keydata Extra Income Plan (Issues 8-12 & 14-26)

Keydata FTSE Growthbuilder Plan – Cautious Growth Keydata FTSE Growthbuilder Plan – Maximum Growth

Keydata FTSE Growthbuilder Plan 2Keydata Innovative Growth Plan

Keydata Innovative Growth Plan (Issue 2)

Keydata Protected Portfolio Plan

Keydata Secure Growth Plan

Keydata UK Protected Growth Plan