



BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V.

(incorporated in The Netherlands)

(as Issuer)

BNP Paribas

(incorporated in France)

(as Issuer and Guarantor)

Warrant and Certificate Programme

This document (a "**Base Prospectus**") constitutes two base prospectuses: (i) the base prospectus for BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V. and (ii) the base prospectus for BNP Paribas, in each case in respect of this Programme (as defined below). Any Securities (as defined below) issued on or after the date of this Base Prospectus are issued subject to the provisions herein. This does not affect any Securities issued before the date of this Base Prospectus.

Under the terms of the Warrant and Certificate Programme (the "**Programme**"), each of BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V. ("**BNPP B.V.**") and BNP Paribas ("**BNPP**" or the "**Bank**" and, together with BNPP B.V., the "**Issuers**" and each an "**Issuer**") may from time to time issue warrants ("**Warrants**") or certificates ("**Certificates**") and, together with the Warrants, "**Securities**" of any kind including, but not limited to, Warrants or Certificates relating to a specified index or a basket of indices, a specified share or a basket of shares, a specified debt instrument or a basket of debt instruments, a specified currency or a basket of currencies or a specified commodity or a basket of commodities. Only BNPP may issue U.S. Securities (as defined below). Each issue of Warrants will be issued on the terms set out herein which are relevant to such Warrants under "**Terms and Conditions of the Warrants**" (the "**Warrant Conditions**") and each issue of Certificates will be issued on the terms set out herein which are relevant to such Certificates under "**Terms and Conditions of the Certificates**" (the "**Certificate Conditions**") and together with the Warrant Conditions, the "**Conditions**") and, in each case, on such final terms as will be set out in the final terms to be issued in respect of such Securities (the "**Final Terms**") a form of which is contained in this Base Prospectus.

The Securities shall be governed by either English law ("**English Law Warrants**" or "**English Law Certificates**", as the case may be, and, together, the "**English Law Securities**") or French law ("**French Law Warrants**" or "**French Law Certificates**", as the case may be, and, together, the "**French Law Securities**"), as specified in the relevant Final Terms, and the corresponding provisions in the Conditions will apply to such Securities. Only English Law Securities will be offered and sold in the United States.

Securities issued by BNPP B.V. will be guaranteed by BNPP (in such capacity, the "**Guarantor**") pursuant to (i) a Deed of Guarantee, in respect of English Law Securities (the "**English Law Guarantee**") or (ii) a *garantie*, in respect of French Law Securities (the "**French Law Guarantee**") and, together with the "**English Law Guarantee**", the "**Guarantees**"), the forms of which are set out herein.

Except in the case of U.S. Securities, each of BNPP B.V. and BNPP has a right of substitution as set out herein.

A description of the Final Terms (which for the avoidance of doubt may be issued in respect of more than one series of Warrants or Certificates) is set out herein on page 25 and will specify with respect to each issue of Securities to which it relates, *inter alia*, the specific designation of the Securities, the aggregate number and type of the Securities, the date of issue of the Securities, the issue price, the underlying asset, index or other item(s) to which the Securities relate the exercise period or date (in the case of Warrants), the redemption date and whether they are interest bearing (in the case of Certificates), the governing law of the Securities, whether the Securities are eligible for sale in the United States and certain other terms relating to the offering and sale of the Securities. With respect to issues of English Law Securities, the Final Terms relating to such issue of Securities will be attached to the Global Security or Private Placement Definitive Securities (each as defined below).

Each issue of Securities will entitle the holder thereof on due exercise (in the case of Warrants) or on the Redemption Date (in the case of Certificates) either to receive a cash amount (if any) calculated in accordance with the relevant terms or to receive physical delivery of the underlying assets (against payment of a specified sum in the case of Warrants), all as set forth herein and in the applicable Final Terms.

Prospective purchasers of Securities should ensure that they understand the nature of the relevant Securities and the extent of their exposure to risks and that they consider the suitability of the relevant Securities as an investment in the light of their own circumstances and financial condition. Securities involve a high degree of risk and potential investors should be prepared to sustain a total loss of the purchase price of their Securities. See "Risk Factors" on page 14.

In particular, the Securities and the Guarantees and, in the case of Physical Delivery Certificates or Physical Delivery Warrants (each as defined below) (together, the "Physical Delivery Securities"), the Entitlement (as defined herein) to be delivered upon the exercise (in the case of Physical Delivery Warrants) or the redemption (in the case of Physical Delivery Certificates) of such Securities have not been, and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") or any state securities laws and trading in the Securities has not been approved by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended. Neither Issuer has registered as an investment company pursuant to the United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act"). Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are being offered and sold pursuant to the registration exemption contained in Regulation S under the Securities Act. No Securities of such series, or interests therein, may at any time be offered, sold, resold, traded, pledged, exercised, redeemed, transferred or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) and any offer, sale, resale, trade, pledge, exercise, redemption, transfer or delivery made, directly or indirectly, within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person will not be recognised. The Securities of such series may not be legally or beneficially owned at any time by any U.S. person (as defined in the "Offering and Sale" section below) and accordingly are being offered and sold outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in reliance on Regulation S. BNPP only may also offer and sell Securities in the United States to persons it believes to be (i) qualified institutional buyers ("QIBs") as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act ("Rule 144A"). In reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 144A and (ii) certain accredited investors ("AIs") (as defined in Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act) in reliance upon the exemption provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act ("Section 4(2)").

Each purchaser of U.S. Securities within the United States is hereby notified that the offer and sale of such Securities is being made in reliance upon an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. For a description of certain further restrictions on offers and sales of the Securities and on the distribution of this Base Prospectus, see "**Offering and Sale**" below.

U.S. Securities will, unless otherwise specified in the Final Terms, be sold through BNP Paribas Securities Corp., a registered broker-dealer. Hedging transactions involving Physical Delivery Securities may not be conducted unless in compliance with the Securities Act. See "**Terms and Conditions of the Warrants**" and "**Terms and Conditions of the Certificates**" below.

The Securities are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Application may be made for Securities issued under the Programme to be listed and admitted to trading on the Regulated Market or the EuroMTF Market (in each case, as defined below) operated by the Luxembourg Stock Exchange. References in this Base Prospectus to the "Luxembourg Stock Exchange" (and all related references) shall include the Regulated Market and/or the EuroMTF Market, as the case may be (as specified in the applicable Final Terms). In addition, references in this Base Prospectus to Securities being "listed" (and all related references) shall mean that such Securities have been listed and admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or, as the case may be, an ISD Regulated Market (as defined below). The Luxembourg Stock Exchange's Regulated Market is a regulated market for the purposes of the Investment Services Directive 93/22/EC (each such regulated market being an "**ISD Regulated Market**"). This Base Prospectus may be used to list and have admitted to trading Securities on the regulated market "*Bourse de Luxembourg*" (the "**Regulated Market**") or the EuroMTF exchange regulated market (the "**EuroMTF Market**"), in each case on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, pursuant to the Programme. The Programme provides that Securities may be listed on such further or other stock exchange(s) as the relevant Issuer may decide. The applicable Final Terms will specify whether or not Securities are to be listed and admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and/or any other stock exchange(s). Each Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities. Registered Warrants will be unlisted.

English Law Warrants which are issued and transferred through Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("**Clearstream, Luxembourg**") and/or Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. as operator of the Euroclear System ("**Euroclear**") ("**Clearing System Warrants**") will be represented by a global warrant (each a "**Clearing System Global Warrant**") which will be issued and deposited with a common depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear on the date of issue of the relevant Warrants. Registered English Law Warrants ("**Registered Warrants**") will be represented by a registered global warrant (each a "**Registered Global Warrant**") which will be issued and deposited with the Registrar. Clearing System Warrants and Private Placement Definitive Warrants will not be exchangeable for Registered Warrants and Registered Warrants will not be exchangeable for Clearing System Warrants and Private Placement Definitive Warrants. Each issue of English Law Certificates will be represented by a global certificate (each a "**Global Certificate**") which will be issued and deposited with a common depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear on the date of issue of the relevant Certificates. Except as described herein, no definitive Securities will be issued. Each Clearing System Global Warrant, Registered Global Warrant, and Global Certificate are each referred to as a "**Global Security**".

French Law Securities will be in bearer dematerialised form (*au porteur*) and will be inscribed (*inscription en compte*) in the books of Euroclear France which shall credit the accounts of the Holders (as defined in "**Terms and Conditions of the Warrants**" and "**Terms and Conditions of the Certificates**"). No physical document of title will be issued in respect of French Law Securities. French Law Securities have been accepted for clearance through Euroclear France, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg.

In the event that the Final Terms specify that Securities are eligible for sale in the United States ("U.S. Securities"), (A) the Securities sold in the United States to QIBs within the meaning of Rule 144A will be represented by one or more global Securities (each, a "Rule 144A Global Security") issued and deposited with (1) a custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") or (2) a common depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, (B) the Securities sold in the United States under the exemption provided in Section 4(2) will be issued and registered in definitive form (each, a "Private Placement Definitive Security") and (C) in either such case, Securities sold outside the United States to non-U.S. persons will be represented by a one or more global Securities (each, a "Regulation S Global Security") issued and deposited with a common depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear.

The date of this Base Prospectus is 18 October 2005.

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

Each of BNPP B.V. (in respect of itself) and BNPP (in respect of itself and BNPP B.V.) accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Base Prospectus. To the best of the knowledge of each of BNPP B.V. and BNPP (who have taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information contained herein is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

Information contained in this Base Prospectus which is sourced from a third party has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the relevant Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by the relevant third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. The relevant Issuer has also identified the source(s) of such information.

This Base Prospectus (together with supplements to this Base Prospectus from time to time (each a “**Supplement**” and together the “**Supplements**”) comprises a base prospectus for the purposes of (i) Article 5.4 of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”) and (ii) the relevant implementing measures in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and, in each case, for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Issuer. In relation to each separate issue of Securities, the final offer price and the amount of such Securities will be determined by the Issuer and the relevant Dealers in accordance with prevailing market conditions at the time of the issue of the Securities and will be set out in the relevant Final Terms.

The applicable Final Terms will (if applicable) specify the nature of the responsibility taken by the relevant Issuer and, if applicable, the Guarantor for the information relating to the underlying asset, index or other item(s) to which the Securities relate which is contained in such Final Terms.

No person is authorised to give any information or to make any representation not contained in or not consistent with this document or any other information supplied in connection with the Programme and, if given or made, such information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorised by BNPP B.V., BNPP or any manager of an issue of Securities, including BNPP Securities Corp. (as applicable to such issue of Securities, each a “**Manager**”). This document does not constitute, and may not be used for the purposes of, an offer or solicitation by anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not authorised or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation and no action is being taken to permit an offering of the Securities or the distribution of this document in any jurisdiction where any such action is required.

This document is to be read and construed in conjunction with any Final Terms and with all documents which are deemed to be incorporated herein by reference (see “*Documents Incorporated by Reference*” on page 22).

Warrants create options exercisable by the relevant holder or which will be automatically exercised as provided herein. There is no obligation on the Issuer to pay any amount or deliver any asset to any holder of a Warrant unless the relevant holder duly exercises such Warrant or such Warrants are automatically exercised and an Exercise Notice is duly delivered. The Warrants will be exercisable in the manner set forth herein and in the applicable Final Terms. In certain instances, the holder of a Warrant will be required to certify, *inter alia* (in accordance with the provisions outlined in “*Offering and Sale*” below) that it is not a U.S. person or exercising such Warrant on behalf of a U.S. person. Upon transfer, exchange or exercise of a U.S. Warrant (as defined below), the holder may, in certain circumstances, be required to certify that the transfer, exchange or exercise, as the case may be, is being made to, or on behalf of, a person whom the holder reasonably believes is not a U.S. person or is a QIB or an AI, as applicable, who acquired the right to such transfer, exchange or the benefit of such exercise in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. The proposed transferee may also be required to deliver an investment letter as a condition precedent to such proposed transfer or exchange.

Certificates shall be redeemed on the redemption date by payment of the Cash Settlement Amount (in the case of Cash Settled Certificates) and/or by delivery of the Entitlement (in the case of Physical Delivery Certificates). In order to receive the Entitlement, the holder of a Certificate will be required to certify, *inter alia* (in accordance with the provisions outlined in Condition 7(B)(1) of “*Terms and Conditions of the Certificates*”), that it is not a U.S. person or acting on behalf of a U.S. person. Upon transfer or exchange of a U.S. Certificate (as defined below), the holder may, in certain circumstances, be required to certify that the transfer or exchange, as the case may be, is being made to a person whom the transferor or exchangor reasonably believes is not a U.S. person or is a QIB or an AI, as applicable, who acquired the right to such transfer or exchange in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. The proposed transferee may also be required to deliver an investment letter as a condition precedent to such proposed transfer or exchange.

The Securities of each issue may be sold by the relevant Issuer and/or any Manager at such time and at such prices as the Issuer and/or the Manager(s) may select. There is no obligation upon the Issuer or any Manager to sell all of the Securities of any issue. The Securities of any issue may be offered or sold from time to time in one or more transactions in the over-the-counter market or otherwise at prevailing market prices or in negotiated transactions, at the discretion of the Issuer.

Subject to the restrictions set forth herein, each Issuer shall have complete discretion as to what type of Securities it issues and when.

No Manager has separately verified the information contained herein. Accordingly, no representation, warranty or undertaking, express or implied, is made and no responsibility is accepted by any Manager as to the accuracy or completeness of the information contained in this Base Prospectus or any other information provided by BNPP B.V. and/or BNPP. The Managers accept no liability in relation to the information contained in this Base Prospectus or any other information provided by BNPP B.V. and/or BNPP in connection with the Programme.

BNPP B.V. and BNPP have not investigated, and do not have access to information that would permit them to ascertain, whether any company that has issued equity, debt or other instruments to which any U.S. Securities relate in a passive foreign investment company for U.S. tax purposes. Prospective investors in any U.S. Securities that are U.S. taxpayers should consult their own advisers concerning U.S. tax considerations relevant to an investment in such U.S. Securities.

Neither this Base Prospectus nor any other information supplied in connection with the Programme (i) is intended to provide the basis of any credit or other evaluation or (ii) should be considered as a recommendation by BNPP B.V., BNPP or any Manager that any recipient of this Base Prospectus or any other information supplied in connection with the Programme should purchase any Securities. Each investor contemplating purchasing any Securities should make its own independent investigation of the financial condition and affairs, and its own appraisal of the creditworthiness, of BNPP B.V. and/or BNPP. Neither this Base Prospectus nor any other information supplied in connection with the Programme constitutes an offer or an invitation by or on behalf of BNPP B.V. or BNPP or the Managers or any other person to subscribe for or to purchase any Securities.

This Base Prospectus does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of BNPP B.V., BNPP or any Manager to subscribe for or purchase any securities. The delivery of this Base Prospectus does not at any time imply that the information contained herein concerning BNPP B.V. or BNPP is correct at any time subsequent to the date hereof or that any other information supplied in connection with the Programme is correct as of any time subsequent to the date indicated in the document containing the same. No Manager undertakes to review the financial condition or affairs of BNPP B.V. or BNPP during the life of the Programme. Investors should review, *inter alia*, the most recently published audited annual non-consolidated financial statements of BNPP B.V. and/or the most recently published audited annual consolidated financial statements and unaudited semi-annual interim consolidated financial statements of BNPP, when deciding whether or not to purchase any Securities.

The distribution of this Base Prospectus and the offering of Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Base Prospectus comes are required by BNPP B.V., BNPP and each Manager to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions.

In this Base Prospectus references to U.S.\$ and U.S. dollars are to United States dollars and references to euro, € and EUR are to the currency introduced at the start of the third stage of European economic and monetary union pursuant to the treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS ONLY:

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

So long as any of the U.S. Securities are “restricted securities” within the meaning of Rule 144(a)(3) under the Securities Act, and BNPP is not subject to and in compliance with Section 13 or 15(d) of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “**Exchange Act**”), nor exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) thereunder, BNPP has undertaken to furnish to each Holder or beneficial owner of U.S. Securities and to any prospective purchaser, any information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The sections of this Base Prospectus from, and including “*BNP Paribas Group*” to, but excluding, “*Clearing Systems*” below (such sections being the “**BNP Paribas Disclosure**”) contain forward-looking statements. BNP Paribas and the BNP Paribas Group (being BNP Paribas together with its consolidated subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) may also make written or oral forward-looking statements in their audited annual financial statements, in their interim financial statements, in their offering circulars, in press releases and other written materials and in oral statements made by their officers, directors or employees to third parties. Statements that are not historical facts, including statements about the Bank’s and/or Group’s beliefs and expectations, are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on current plans, estimates and projections, and therefore undue reliance should not be placed on them. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and the Bank and the Group undertake no obligation to update publicly any of them in light of new information or future events.

PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Most of the financial data presented in the BNP Paribas Disclosure are presented in euros. The Group began presenting its financial information in euros as of the advent of the euro on 1 January 1999.

Any reference in the BNP Paribas Disclosure to the “Financial Statements” is to the consolidated financial statements, including the notes thereto, of the Bank and its consolidated subsidiaries as of and for the years ended 31 December 2004, 2003 and 2002. The Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in France (“**French GAAP**”). The Group’s fiscal year ends on 31 December, and references in the BNP Paribas Disclosure to any specific fiscal year are to the twelve-month period ended 31 December of such year.

The Group, like all companies with securities listed on European securities exchanges, is required by European Union directives to adopt international financial reporting standards (“**IFRS**”) as of 1 January 2005, with retroactive effect to 1 January 2004. The Group has prepared and published financial statements with respect to the year ended 31 December 2004 in accordance with IFRS then in effect, and has published a simulation of the effect on its 2004 financial statements of the application of IFRS as endorsed by the European Union (which applies to financial statements for periods subsequent to 1 January 2005). For a summary of these financial statements and a discussion of the Group’s transition to IFRS, investors should refer to the section entitled “Transition to International Financial Reporting Standards”.

In the BNP Paribas Disclosure, all references to “billions” are references to one thousand million. Due to rounding, the numbers presented throughout the BNP Paribas Disclosure may not add up precisely, and percentages may not reflect precisely absolute figures.

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SUMMARY

*This summary must be read as an introduction to this Base Prospectus. Any decision to invest in any Securities should be based on a consideration of this Base Prospectus as a whole, including the documents incorporated by reference, by any investor. The Issuers may have civil liability in respect of this summary, if it is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent when read together with the other parts of this Base Prospectus. Where a claim relating to information contained in this Base Prospectus is brought before a court in a European Economic Area State (an “**EEA State**”), the plaintiff may, under the national legislation of the EEA State where the claim is brought, be required to bear the costs of translating this Base Prospectus before the legal proceedings are initiated.*

Words and expressions defined in “Risk Factors”, in the applicable Conditions (each below) and in the applicable Final Terms shall have the same meanings in this summary.

Issuers	BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V. (“ BNPP B.V. ”) BNP Paribas (“ BNPP ”)
Guarantor	BNP Paribas
Description of BNPP B.V.	<p>BNPP B.V. is a limited company under Dutch law (“<i>besloten vennootschap met beperkte aansprakelijkheid</i>”). BNPP B.V. was incorporated on 10 November 1989. Its objects are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) to borrow, lend out and collect monies, including but not limited to the issue of debentures, share purchase warrants, certificates of debt and other securities or debt instruments, to issue and acquire financial instruments of any nature and to enter into related agreements;(ii) to finance enterprises and companies;(iii) to establish and to in any way participate in, manage and supervise enterprises and companies;(iv) to offer advice and to render services to enterprises and companies with which the company forms a group of companies, and to third parties;(v) to grant security, to bind the company and to encumber assets of the company for the benefit of enterprises and companies with which the company forms a group of companies, and of third parties;(vi) to acquire, manage, exploit and dispose of registered property and asset value in general;(vii) to trade in currencies, securities and asset value in general;(viii) to exploit and trade in patents, trademark rights, licences, know-how and other industrial rights of ownership; and(ix) to engage in industrial, financial and commercial activities of any nature, and all other things as may be deemed incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, in the broadest sense of the word.
Description of BNPP	The Group is one of the top global players in financial services,

conducting retail, corporate and investment banking, private banking, asset management, insurance and specialised and other financial activities throughout the world. According to rankings published in July 2004 by “The Banker” (based on 2003 figures):

- (i) based on total assets, the Group was the second largest banking group in France, the fifth largest in Europe, and the seventh largest in the world; and
- (ii) based on Tier 1 capital, the Group was the second, fourth and tenth largest banking group in France, Europe and the world, respectively.

The Group is a leading European provider of corporate and investment banking products and services and a leading provider of private banking and asset management products and services throughout the world. It provides retail banking and financial services to over 20 million individual customers throughout the world, in particular in Europe and the western United States.

The Group has offices in more than 85 countries. At 31 December 2004, the Group had consolidated assets of €905.9 billion (compared to €783.1 billion at 31 December 2003), consolidated gross total customer items of €266.9 billion (compared to €231.5 billion at 31 December 2003), consolidated customer deposits (including retail and negotiable certificates of deposit) of €328.3 billion (compared to €282.6 billion at 31 December 2003) and shareholders’ equity (Group share including income for the 2004 fiscal year) of €30.2 billion (compared to €28.3 billion at 31 December 2003). Net income, before taxes, non-recurring items and amortisation of goodwill for the year ended 31 December 2004 was €7.6 billion (compared to €6.3 billion for the year ended 31 December 2003). Net income, Group share, for the year ended 31 December 2004 was €4.7 billion (compared to €3.8 billion for the year ended 31 December 2003).

The Bank currently has long-term senior debt ratings of “Aa2” with stable outlook from Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“**Moody’s**”), “AA” with stable outlook from Standard and Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (“**Standard & Poor’s**”) and “AA” with stable outlook from Fitch Ratings. Moody’s has also assigned the Bank a Bank Financial Strength rating of “B+” and Fitch Ratings has assigned the Bank an individual rating of “A/B”.

The Group has three divisions: Retail Banking, Asset Management and Services and Corporate and Investment Banking. Operationally, these divisions are organised into five core businesses (French Retail Banking, International Retail

Banking and Financial Services, Asset Management and Services, Corporate and Investment Banking and BNP Paribas Capital).

Except where otherwise specified, all financial information and operating statistics are presented as of 31 December 2004..

Description of the Programme

Risk Factors

Warrant and Certificate Programme

There are certain factors that may affect each Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued under the Programme. These are set out under "*Risk Factors*" below and include the following risk factors related to the Bank, its operations and its industry:

- (i) Unforeseen events can interrupt the Bank's operations and cause substantial losses and additional costs.
- (ii) Four main categories of risks are inherent to the Bank's activities:
 - *Credit Risk*. Credit risk is the risk of financial loss relating to the failure of an obligor to honour its contractual obligations.
 - *Market and Liquidity Risk*. Market risk is the risk related to earnings, which arises primarily from adverse movements of trading and non-trading market parameters. Liquidity risk, which is also referred to as funding risk, is the inability of the Bank to meet its obligations at an acceptable cost in a given currency and location.
 - *Operational Risk*. Operational risk corresponds to the risk of losses due to inadequate or failed internal processes, or due to external events, whether deliberate, accidental or natural occurrences.
 - *Insurance Risk*. Insurance risk is the risk to earnings due to mismatches between expected and actual claims.
- (iii) An interruption in or a breach of the Bank's information systems may result in lost business and other losses.
- (iv) The Bank is subject to extensive supervisory and regulatory regimes in France, elsewhere in Europe, the US, the Asia Pacific region and in the many countries around the world in which it operates.
- (v) The Group's businesses and earnings can be affected by the fiscal or other policies and other actions of various regulatory authorities of France, other European Union or foreign governments and international agencies. The nature and impact of future changes in such policies and

regulatory action are not predictable and are beyond the Group's control.

The following risk factors relate to BNPP B.V.: BNPP B.V. is not an operating company. BNPP B.V.'s sole business is the raising and borrowing of money by issuing Securities or other obligations. BNPP B.V. has, and will have, no assets other than such fees (as agreed) payable to it, or other assets acquired by it, in each case in connection with the issue of Securities or entry into other obligations relating to the Programme from time to time. The net proceeds from each issue of Securities issued by the Issuer will become part of the general funds of BNPP B.V. BNPP B.V. may use such proceeds to maintain positions in options or futures contracts or other hedging instruments ("**Hedging Agreements**"). The ability of BNPP B.V. to meet its obligations under Securities issued by it will depend on the receipt by it of payments under the relevant Hedging Agreements. Consequently, BNPP B.V. is exposed to the ability of counterparties in respect of such Hedging Agreements to perform their obligations under such Hedging Agreements.

In addition, there are certain factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the risks related to the Securities issued under the Programme, including the following:

- (i) **High degree of risk:** the Securities involve a high degree of risk, which may include, among others, interest rate, foreign exchange, time value and political risks. Prospective purchasers of Securities should recognise that their Securities may expire worthless.
- (ii) **Securities are Unsecured Obligations:** the Securities are unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the relevant Issuer and will rank *pari passu* with themselves. The obligations of BNPP under the Guarantees are unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of BNPP and will rank *pari passu* with all its other present and future unsubordinated and unsecured obligations, subject as may from time to time be mandatory under French law.
- (iii) **Risks with regard to interim value of Securities:** The interim value of the Securities varies with the price level of the reference index (or basket of indices), share (or basket of shares), debt instrument (or basket of debt instruments), currency (or basket of currencies), commodity (or basket of commodities) or other basis of reference as specified in the applicable Final Terms, as well as by a number of other interrelated factors.
- (iv) **Certain Considerations Regarding Hedging:** it may not be possible to purchase or liquidate securities in a

portfolio at the prices used to calculate the value of any relevant index, share, debt security, currency, commodity, or basket.

- (v) **Effect of Credit Rating Reduction:** a reduction in the rating, if any, accorded to outstanding debt securities of BNPP B.V. or BNPP by any rating agency could result in a reduction in the trading value of the Securities.
- (vi) **Additional Risk Factors Associated with Currency Securities:** Fluctuations in exchange rates of the relevant currency (or basket of currencies) will affect the value of Currency Securities. Purchasers of Currency Securities risk losing their entire investment if exchange rates of the relevant currency (or basket of currencies) do not move in the anticipated direction.
- (vii) **Possible Illiquidity of the Securities in the Secondary Market:** it is not possible to predict the price at which Securities will trade in the secondary market or whether such market will be liquid or illiquid. A decrease in the liquidity of an issue of Securities may cause, in turn, an increase in the volatility associated with the price of such issue of Securities. To the extent that an issue of Securities becomes illiquid, an investor may have to exercise or wait until redemption of such Securities, as applicable, to realise value.
- (viii) **Potential Conflicts of Interest:** BNPP B.V., BNPP and their affiliates (including, if applicable, any Manager) may engage in activities which could present certain conflicts of interest, could influence the prices of such shares or other securities and could adversely affect the value of such Securities.
- (ix) **Limitations on Exercise of Warrants:** if so indicated in the Final Terms, the Issuer will have the option to limit the number of Warrants exercisable on any date (other than the final exercise date) to the maximum number specified in the Final Terms and, in conjunction with such limitation, to limit the number of Warrants exercisable by any person or group of persons (whether or not acting in concert) on such date.
- (x) **Minimum Exercise Amount of Warrants:** if so indicated in the Final Terms, a holder must tender or, in the case of automatic exercise, hold, a specified number of Warrants at any one time in order to exercise. Thus, holders with fewer than the specified minimum number of Warrants will either have to sell their Warrants or purchase additional Warrants, incurring transaction costs in each case, in order to realise their investment. Furthermore,

holders of such Warrants incur the risk that there may be differences between the trading price of such Warrants and the Cash Settlement Amount (in the case of Cash Settled Warrants) or the Physical Settlement Value (in the case of Physical Delivery Warrants) of such Warrants.

- (xi) **Time Lag after Exercise of Warrants:** in the case of any exercise of Warrants, there will be a time lag between the time a holder gives instructions to exercise and the time the applicable Cash Settlement Amount (in the case of Cash Settled Warrants) relating to such exercise is determined. The applicable Cash Settlement Amount may change significantly during any such period, and such movement or movements could decrease the Cash Settlement Amount of the relevant Warrants and may result in such Cash Settlement Amount being zero.

Please see “*Risk Factors*” below for further details.

Warrants

Warrants may be issued as Index Warrants, Share Warrants, Debt Warrants, Currency Warrants, Commodity Warrants or any other or further type of warrants as is specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Certificates

Certificates may be issued as Index Certificates, Share Certificates, Debt Certificates, Currency Certificates, Commodity Certificates or any other or further type of certificates as is specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Currencies

Any.

Governing Law

The Securities and any related Guarantee will be governed by English or French Law as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

RISK FACTORS

Prospective purchasers of the Securities offered hereby should consider carefully, among other things and in light of their financial circumstances and investment objectives, all of the information in this Document and, in particular, the risk factors set forth below (which each Issuer, in its reasonable opinion, believes represents or may represent the risk factors known to it which may affect such Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under the Securities) in making an investment decision. Investors may lose the value of their entire investment in certain circumstances.

FACTORS RELATING TO THE BANK, ITS OPERATIONS AND THE BANKING INDUSTRY

Unforeseen events can interrupt the Bank's operations and cause substantial losses and additional costs.

Unforeseen events like severe natural catastrophes, terrorist attacks or other states of emergency can lead to an abrupt interruption of the Bank's operations, which can cause substantial losses. Such losses can relate to property, financial assets, trading positions and to key employees. Such unforeseen events can also lead to additional costs (such as relocation of employees affected) and increase the Bank's costs (such as insurance premiums). Such events may also make insurance coverage for certain risks unavailable and thus increase the Bank's risk.

Four main categories of risks are inherent to the Bank's activities

- *Credit Risk.* Credit risk is the risk of financial loss relating to the failure of an obligor to honour its contractual obligations. Credit risk arises in lending activities and also in various other activities where the Bank is exposed to the risk of counterparty default, such as its trading, capital markets and settlement activities.
- *Market and Liquidity Risk.* Market risk is the risk related to earnings, which arises primarily from adverse movements of trading and non-trading market parameters. Trading market parameters include, but are not limited to, foreign exchange rates, bond prices, security and commodity prices, derivatives prices and prices of other marketable assets such as real estate or cars. Trading market parameters also include derivations of the items previously mentioned, such as interest rates, credit spreads, implied volatility or implied correlation. Non-trading market parameters include parameters based on assumptions or on statistical analysis, such as models and statistical correlation, respectively.

Liquidity is also an important component of market risk. In instances of little or no liquidity, a market instrument or transferable asset may not be negotiable at its estimated value. A lack of liquidity can arise due to a lack of volume, legal restrictions or a one-way market.

Market risk arises in trading portfolios and in non-trading portfolios. In non-trading portfolios, it encompasses:

- The risk associated with asset and liability management, which is the risk to earnings arising from asset and liability mismatches in the banking book or in the insurance business. This risk is driven primarily by interest rate risk.
- The risk associated with investment activities, which is directly connected to changes in the value of invested assets within equity portfolios.

- The risk associated with certain other activities, such as real estate or car leasing, which is indirectly affected by changes in the value of negotiable assets held during the normal course of business.

Liquidity risk, which is also referred to as funding risk, is the inability of the Bank to meet its obligations at an acceptable cost in a given currency and location.

- *Operational Risk.* Operational risk corresponds to the risk of losses due to inadequate or failed internal processes, or due to external events, whether deliberate, accidental or natural occurrences. Internal processes include, but are not limited to, human resources and information systems. External events include floods, fires, earthquakes or terrorist attacks.
- *Insurance Risk.* Insurance risk is the risk to earnings due to mismatches between expected and actual claims. Depending on the insurance product, this risk is influenced by macroeconomic changes, changes in customer behaviour, changes in public health, pandemics and catastrophic events (earthquake, industrial disaster, terrorism, etc.).

It is important to distinguish between the different categories of risk because each category requires specific measuring and monitoring systems. Nevertheless, the growing complexity of the Group's businesses and products means that the categories of risk increasingly overlap.

An interruption in or a breach of the Bank's information systems may result in lost business and other losses.

As with most other banks, the Bank relies heavily on communications and information systems to conduct its business. Any failure or interruption or breach in security of these systems could result in failures or interruptions in the Bank's customer relationship management, general ledger, deposit, servicing and/or loan organisation systems. The Bank cannot provide assurances that such failures or interruptions will not occur or, if they do occur, that they will be adequately addressed. The occurrence of any failures or interruptions could have a material adverse effect on the Bank's financial condition and results of operations.

The Bank is subject to extensive supervisory and regulatory regimes in France, elsewhere in Europe, the US, the Asia Pacific region and in the many countries around the world in which it operates.

Regulatory compliance risk arises from a failure or inability to comply fully with the laws, regulations or codes applicable specifically to the financial services industry. Non-compliance could lead to fines, public reprimand, damage to reputation, enforced suspension of operations or, in extreme cases, withdrawal of authorisation to operate.

The Group's businesses and earnings can be affected by the fiscal or other policies and other actions of various regulatory authorities of France, other European Union or foreign governments and international agencies. The nature and impact of future changes in such policies and regulatory action are not predictable and are beyond the Group's control.

Other areas where changes could have an impact include, inter alia:

- the monetary, interest rate and other policies of central banks and regulatory authorities;
- general changes in government or regulatory policy that may significantly influence investor decisions in particular markets in which the Group operates;
- general changes in regulatory requirement, for example, prudential rules relating to the capital adequacy framework;
- changes in the competition and pricing environment;

- changes in the financial reporting environment;
- expropriation, nationalisation, confiscation of assets and changes in legislation relating to foreign ownership; and
- other unfavourable political, military or diplomatic developments producing social instability or legal uncertainty which in turn may affect demand for the Group's products and services.

Each of France's and the global financial services market remains highly competitive and innovative competition comes both from incumbent players and a steady stream of new markets entrants. The landscape is expected to remain highly competitive in all the Group's businesses, which could adversely affect the Group's profitability.

RISK FACTORS RELATING TO BNPP B.V.

BNPP B.V. is not an operating company. BNPP B.V.'s sole business is the raising and borrowing of money by issuing Securities or other obligations. BNPP B.V. has, and will have, no assets other than such fees (as agreed) payable to it, or other assets acquired by it, in each case in connection with the issue of Securities or entry into other obligations relating to the Programme from time to time. The net proceeds from each issue of Securities issued by the Issuer will become part of the general funds of BNPP B.V. BNPP B.V. may use such proceeds to maintain positions in options or futures contracts or other hedging instruments ("**Hedging Agreements**"). The ability of BNPP B.V. to meet its obligations under Securities issued by it will depend on the receipt by it of payments under the relevant Hedging Agreements. Consequently, BNPP B.V. is exposed to the ability of counterparties in respect of such Hedging Agreements to perform their obligations under such Hedging Agreements.

RISK FACTORS RELATING TO SECURITIES

The Securities involve a high degree of risk, which may include, price risks associated with the Underlying Reference (as defined below), among others, interest rate, foreign exchange, time value and political risks. Prospective purchasers of Securities should recognise that their Securities may expire worthless or be redeemed for no value. Purchasers should be prepared to sustain a total loss of the purchase price of their Securities. This risk reflects the nature of a Security as an asset which, other factors held constant, tends to decline in value over time and which may become worthless when it expires or is redeemed. See "*Certain Factors Affecting the Value and Trading Price of Securities*" below. Prospective purchasers of Securities should be experienced with respect to options and option transactions, should understand the risks of transactions involving the relevant Securities and should reach an investment decision only after careful consideration, with their advisers, of the suitability of such Securities in light of their particular financial circumstances, the information set forth herein and the information regarding the relevant Securities and the particular reference index (or basket of indices), share (or basket of shares), debt instrument (or basket of debt instruments), currency (or basket of currencies), commodity (or basket of commodities) or other basis of reference to which the value of the relevant Securities may relate, as specified in the applicable Final Terms (such reference being the "**Underlying Reference**").

The risk of the loss of some or all of the purchase price of a Security upon expiration or redemption means that, in order to recover and realise a return upon his or her investment, a purchaser of a Security must generally be correct about the direction, timing and magnitude of an anticipated change in the value of the Underlying Reference which may be specified in the applicable Final Terms. Assuming all other factors are held constant, the lower the value of a Security and the shorter the remaining term of a Warrant to expiration or a Certificate to redemption, the greater the risk that purchasers of such Securities will lose all or part of

their investment. With respect to Certificates and European-style Warrants, the only means through which a holder can realise value from the Warrant or Certificate, as the case may be, prior to its Exercise Date or Redemption Date in relation to such Warrant or Certificate, as the case may be, is to sell it at its then market price in an available secondary market. See “*Possible Illiquidity of the Securities in the Secondary Market*” below.

Fluctuations in the value of the relevant index or basket of indices will affect the value of Index Securities. Fluctuations in the price of the relevant share or value of the basket of shares will affect the value of Share Securities. Fluctuations in the price or yield of the relevant debt instrument or value of the basket of debt instruments will affect the value of Debt Securities. Fluctuations in the rates of exchange between the relevant currencies will affect the value of Currency Securities. Also, due to the character of the particular market on which a debt instrument is traded, the absence of last sale information and the limited availability of quotations for such debt instrument may make it difficult for many investors to obtain timely, accurate data for the price or yield of such debt instrument. Fluctuations in the value of the relevant commodity or basket of commodities will affect the value of Commodity Securities. Purchasers of Securities risk losing their entire investment if the value of the relevant underlying basis of reference does not move in the anticipated direction.

Securities are Unsecured Obligations

The Securities are unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the relevant Issuer and will rank *pari passu* with themselves. Each issue of Securities issued by BNPP B.V. will be guaranteed by BNPP pursuant to the English Guarantee, in the case of English Law Securities, or the French Law Guarantee, in the case of French Law Securities. The obligations of BNPP under the Guarantees are unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of BNPP and will rank *pari passu* with all its other present and future unsubordinated and unsecured obligations, subject as may from time to time be mandatory under French law.

Each Issuer may issue several issues of Securities relating to various Underlying References. However, no assurance can be given that the relevant Issuer will issue any Securities other than the Securities to which a particular Final Terms relates. At any given time, the number of Securities outstanding may be substantial. Securities provide opportunities for investment and pose risks to investors as a result of fluctuations in the value of the underlying investment. In general, certain of the risks associated with Warrants are similar to those generally applicable to other options or warrants of private corporate issuers. Options, warrants or certificates on shares or debt instruments are priced primarily on the basis of the value of underlying securities whilst Currency and Commodity Securities are priced primarily on the basis of present and expected values of the reference currency (or basket of currencies) or commodity (or basket of commodities) specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Certain Factors Affecting the Value and Trading Price of Securities

Either (1) the Cash Settlement Amount (in the case of Cash Settled Securities) or (2) (i) the difference in the value of the Entitlement and the Exercise Price (in the case of Physical Delivery Warrants) or (ii) the value of the Entitlement (in the case of Physical Delivery Certificates) ((2)(i) or (2)(ii), as applicable, the “**Physical Settlement Value**”) at any time prior to expiration or redemption is typically expected to be less than the trading price of such Securities at that time. The difference between the trading price and the Cash Settlement Amount or the Physical Settlement Value, as the case may be, will reflect, among other things, the “time value” of the Securities. The “time value” of the Securities will depend partly upon the length of the period remaining to expiration or redemption and expectations concerning the value of the Underlying Reference as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Securities offer hedging and investment diversification opportunities

but also pose some additional risks with regard to interim value. The interim value of the Securities varies with the price level of the Underlying Reference as specified in the applicable Final Terms, as well as by a number of other interrelated factors, including those specified herein.

Before exercising (in the case of Warrants) or selling Securities, holders should carefully consider, among other things, (a) the trading price of the Securities, (b) the value and volatility of the Underlying Reference as specified in the applicable Final Terms, (c) the time remaining to expiration or redemption, as the case may be, (d) in the case of Cash Settled Securities, the probable range of Cash Settlement Amounts, (e) any change(s) in interim interest rates and dividend yields if applicable, (f) any change(s) in currency exchange rates, (g) the depth of the market or liquidity of the Underlying Reference as specified in the applicable Final Terms and (h) any related transaction costs.

Certain Considerations Regarding Purchasing Securities as Hedges

Prospective purchasers intending to purchase Securities to hedge against the market risk associated with investing in the Underlying Reference which may be specified in the applicable Final Terms, should recognise the complexities of utilising Securities in this manner. For example, the value of the Securities may not exactly correlate with the value of the Underlying Reference which may be specified in the applicable Final Terms. Due to fluctuating supply and demand for the Securities, there is no assurance that their value will correlate with movements of the Underlying Reference which may be specified in the applicable Final Terms. For these reasons, among others, it may not be possible to purchase or liquidate securities in a portfolio at the prices used to calculate the value of any relevant Underlying Reference. In addition, in certain cases, the ability of holders to use Securities for hedging may be restricted by the provisions of the Securities Act.

Effect of Credit Rating Reduction

The value of the Securities is expected to be affected, in part, by investors' general appraisal of the creditworthiness of the relevant Issuer and, if applicable, the Guarantor. Such perceptions are generally influenced by the ratings accorded to the outstanding securities of BNPP B.V. or BNPP by standard statistical rating services, such as Moody's Investors Service Limited ("**Moody's**"), Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw Hill Companies, Inc. ("**Standard & Poor's**") and Fitch Ratings Ltd. ("**Fitch**"). A reduction in the rating, if any, accorded to outstanding debt securities of BNPP B.V. or BNPP by one of these rating agencies could result in a reduction in the trading value of the Securities.

Certain Additional Risk Factors Associated with Currency Securities

Fluctuations in exchange rates of the relevant currency (or basket of currencies) will affect the value of Currency Securities. Furthermore, investors who intend to convert gains or losses from the exercise, redemption or sale of Currency Securities into their home currency may be affected by fluctuations in exchange rates between their home currency and the relevant currency (or basket of currencies). Currency values may be affected by complex political and economic factors, including governmental action to fix or support the value of a currency (or basket of currencies), regardless of other market forces. Purchasers of Currency Securities risk losing their entire investment if exchange rates of the relevant currency (or basket of currencies) do not move in the anticipated direction.

If additional warrants, securities or options relating to particular non-U.S. currencies or particular currency indices are subsequently issued, the supply of warrants and options relating to such non-U.S. currencies or currency indices, as applicable, in the market will increase, which could cause the price at which the Securities and such other warrants, securities and options trade in the secondary market to decline significantly.

Possible Illiquidity of the Securities in the Secondary Market

It is not possible to predict the price at which Securities will trade in the secondary market or whether such market will be liquid or illiquid. The Issuer may, but is not obliged to, list Securities on a stock exchange (application has been made to list the Securities on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and to admit the Securities for trading described herein on the “*Bourse de Luxembourg*” (the “Regulated Market”) of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange). Also, to the extent Securities of a particular issue are exercised or redeemed, the number of Securities of such issue outstanding will decrease, resulting in a diminished liquidity for the remaining Securities of such issue. A decrease in the liquidity of an issue of Securities may cause, in turn, an increase in the volatility associated with the price of such issue of Securities.

Each Issuer and any Manager may, but is not obliged to, at any time purchase Securities at any price in the open market or by tender or private offer/treaty. Any Securities so purchased may be held or resold or surrendered for cancellation as further described herein. A Manager may, but is not obliged to, be a market-maker for an issue of Securities. Even if a Manager is a market-maker for an issue of Securities, the secondary market for such Securities may be limited. In addition, affiliates of each Issuer (including the relevant Manager as referred to above) may purchase Securities at the time of their initial distribution and from time to time thereafter. To the extent that an issue of Securities becomes illiquid, an investor may have to exercise or wait until redemption of such Securities, as applicable, to realise greater value than its then trading value.

Potential Conflicts of Interest

BNPP B.V., BNPP and their affiliates (including, if applicable, any Manager) may also engage in trading activities (including hedging activities) related to the Underlying Reference of any Securities and other instruments or derivative products based on or related to the Underlying Reference of any Securities for their proprietary accounts or for other accounts under their management. BNPP B.V., BNPP and their affiliates (including, if applicable, any Manager) may also issue other derivative instruments in respect of the Underlying Reference of Securities. BNPP B.V., BNPP and their affiliates (including, if applicable, any Manager) may also act as underwriter in connection with future offerings of shares or other securities related to an issue of Securities or may act as financial adviser to certain companies or companies whose shares or other securities are included in a basket or in a commercial banking capacity for such companies. Such activities could present certain conflicts of interest, could influence the prices of such shares or other securities and could adversely affect the value of such Securities.

Because the Calculation Agent (as defined below) may be an affiliate of the Issuers, potential conflicts of interest may exist between the Calculation Agent and holders of the Securities, including with respect to certain determinations and judgments that the Calculation Agent must make, including whether a Market Disruption Event or a Settlement Disruption Event (each, as defined below) has occurred. The Calculation Agent is obligated to carry out its duties and functions as Calculation Agent in good faith and using its reasonable judgment.

Market Disruption Event

If an issue of Securities includes provisions dealing with the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event on a Valuation Date (as defined below) or an Averaging Date (as defined below) and the Calculation Agent determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred or exists on such Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, any consequential postponement of the Valuation Date or Averaging Date or any alternative provisions for valuation provided in any Securities may have an adverse effect on the value of such Securities.

Settlement Disruption Event

In the case of Physical Delivery Securities, if a Settlement Disruption Event occurs or exists on the Settlement Date (as defined below) or the Redemption Date (as defined below), respectively, settlement will be postponed until the next Settlement Business Day (as defined below) in respect of which there is no Settlement Disruption Event. The relevant Issuer in these circumstances also has the right to pay the Disruption Cash Settlement Price (as defined below) in lieu of delivering the Entitlement. As further described below, the Disruption Cash Settlement Price may be less than the fair market value of the Entitlement.

Option to Vary Settlement

If so indicated in the Final Terms, the Issuers may, in their sole and absolute discretion, elect to vary the settlement of the Securities, by (i) in the case of Cash Settled Securities, delivering or procuring delivery of the Entitlement instead of making payment of the Cash Settlement Amount on the Settlement Date to the relevant Holders or (ii) in the case of Physical Delivery Securities, making payment of the Cash Settlement Amount on the Settlement Date to the relevant Holders instead of delivering or procuring delivery of the Entitlement.

Option to Substitute Assets or to pay the Alternate Cash Amount

The Issuers may, in their sole and absolute discretion, if the Calculation Agent determines (in its sole and absolute discretion) that the Relevant Asset or Relevant Assets (as defined below), as the case may be, comprises assets which are not freely tradable, elect either (i) to substitute a Substitute Asset or Substitute Assets, as the case may be, for the Relevant Asset or Relevant Assets or (ii) not to deliver or procure the delivery of the Entitlement or the Substitute Asset or Substitute Assets (as defined below), as the case may be, to the relevant holders, but in lieu thereof to make payment to the relevant holders on the Settlement Date of the Alternate Cash Amount (as defined below).

Certain Additional Risk Factors Associated with Warrants

Limitations on Exercise of Warrants

If so indicated in the Final Terms, the relevant Issuer will have the option to limit the number of Warrants exercisable on any date (other than the final exercise date) to the maximum number specified in the Final Terms and, in conjunction with such limitation, to limit the number of Warrants exercisable by any person or group of persons (whether or not acting in concert) on such date. In the event that the total number of Warrants being exercised on any date (other than the final exercise date) exceeds such maximum number and the Issuer elects to limit the number of Warrants exercisable on such date, a holder may not be able to exercise on such date all Warrants that such holder desires to exercise. In any such case, the number of Warrants to be exercised on such date will be reduced until the total number of Warrants exercised on such date no longer exceeds such maximum, such Warrants being selected at the discretion of the Issuer or in any other manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. Unless otherwise specified in the Final Terms, the Warrants tendered for exercise but not exercised on such date will be automatically exercised on the next date on which Warrants may be exercised, subject to the same daily maximum limitation and delayed exercise provisions.

Minimum Exercise Amount of Warrants

If so indicated in the Final Terms, a holder must tender or, in the case of automatic exercise, hold, a specified number of Warrants at any one time in order to exercise. Thus, holders with fewer than the specified minimum number of Warrants will either have to sell their Warrants or purchase additional Warrants,

incurring transaction costs in each case, in order to realise their investment. Furthermore, holders of such Warrants incur the risk that there may be differences between the trading price of such Warrants and the Cash Settlement Amount (in the case of Cash Settled Warrants) or the Physical Settlement Value (in the case of Physical Delivery Warrants) of such Warrants.

Time Lag after Exercise of Warrants

In the case of any exercise of Warrants, there will be a time lag between the time a holder gives instructions to exercise and the time the applicable Cash Settlement Amount (in the case of Cash Settled Warrants) relating to such exercise is determined. Any such delay between the time of exercise and the determination of the Cash Settlement Amount will be specified in the applicable Final Terms or the applicable Terms and Conditions. However, such delay could be significantly longer, particularly in the case of a delay in exercise of Warrants arising from any daily maximum exercise limitation, the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event or failure to open of an exchange or related exchange (if applicable) or following the imposition of any exchange controls or other similar regulations affecting the ability to obtain or exchange any relevant currency (or basket of currencies) in the case of Currency Warrants. The applicable Cash Settlement Amount may change significantly during any such period, and such movement or movements could decrease the Cash Settlement Amount of the relevant Warrants and may result in such Cash Settlement Amount being zero.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

This Base Prospectus should be read and construed in conjunction with the following documents which have been previously published or are published simultaneously with this Base Prospectus and that have been filed with the Luxembourg competent authority for the purpose of the Prospectus Directive and the relevant implementing measures in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, and shall be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus:

- (a) the audited consolidated financial statements of BNP Paribas as at, and for the years ended, 31 December 2003 and 2004 (the “**BNPP 2003 Financial Statements**” and the “**BNPP 2004 Financial Statements**” respectively, such financial statements being available as part of the respective statutory auditors’ reports thereon (together, the “**BNPP Auditors’ Reports**”), and the related notes and the BNPP Auditors’ Reports;
- (b) the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of BNPP as at, and for the six months ended, 30 June 2005 (the “**BNPP 2005 Interim Financial Statements as at 30 June 2005**”);
- (c) an information statement relating to BNPP, dated 9 June 2005 (the “**Information Statement**”);
- (d) the audited annual non-consolidated financial statements of BNPP B.V. as at, and for the two years ended, 31 December 2003 and 2004 (the “**BNPP B.V. 2003 Financial Statements**” and the “**BNPP B.V. 2004 Financial Statements**” respectively, such financial statements being available as part of the respective statutory auditors’ reports thereon (together, the “**BNPP B.V. Auditors’ Reports**”), and the related notes and the BNPP B.V. Auditors’ Reports; and
- (e) the audited interim non-consolidated financial statements of BNPP B.V. as at, and for the six months ended, 30 June 2005 (the “**BNPP B.V. 2005 Interim Financial Statements as at 30 June 2005**”),

save that any statement contained in a document all or the relevant portion of which is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purpose of this Base Prospectus to the extent that such statement is inconsistent with a statement contained in this Base Prospectus.

The information incorporated by reference above is available as follows:

Information Incorporated by Reference	Reference
BNP PARIBAS	
<i>BNPP 2003 Financial Statements</i>	
Consolidated Balance Sheet	Pages 178 & 179 of the 2003 BNPP Annual Report
Consolidated Profit & Loss Account	Page 180 of the 2003 BNPP Annual Report
Consolidated Statement of Cashflows	Page 181 of the 2003 BNPP Annual Report
Appendices/Notes	Pages 182 to 252 of the 2003 BNPP Annual Report
Statutory Auditor’s Report of the Consolidated Financial Statements	Pages 253 & 254 of the 2003 BNPP Annual Report
<i>BNPP 2004 Financial Statements</i>	
Consolidated Balance Sheet	Pages 194 & 195 of the 2004 BNPP Annual Report
Consolidated Profit & Loss Account	Page 196 of the 2004 BNPP Annual Report
Consolidated Statement of Cashflows	Page 197 of the 2004 BNPP Annual Report

Information Incorporated by Reference	Reference
Appendices/Notes	Pages 198 to 266 of the 2004 BNPP Annual Report
Statutory Auditor's Report of the Consolidated Financial Statements	Pages 267 & 268 of the 2004 BNPP Annual Report
<i>BNPP 2005 Interim Financial Statements as at 30 June 2005</i>	
Consolidated Profit & Loss Account	Page 4 of the BNPP 2005 Interim Financial Statements
Consolidated Balance Sheet	Page 5 of the BNPP 2005 Interim Financial Statements
Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity	Pages 6 & 7 of the BNPP 2005 Interim Financial Statements
Consolidated Statement of Cashflows	Page 8 of the BNPP 2005 Interim Financial Statements
Appendices/Notes	Page 9 of the BNPP 2005 Interim Financial Statements
<i>Information Statement</i>	
Consolidated interim financial data of BNP Paribas as at, and for the three months ended, 31 March 2005 (in respect of which, no statutory auditors' report has been prepared)	"Document de Référence" filed with the AMF under the number D.O5-0151-A02 dated 23 May 2005.
<i>Information Statement</i>	
Selected Financial Data	Pages 3 & 4 of the Information Statement
Management Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition	Pages 5 to 43 of the Information Statement
Transition to International Financial Reporting Standards	Pages 44 to 53 of the Information Statement
Recent Developments	Pages 54 to 63 of the Information Statement
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<i>BNPP B.V. 2003 Financial Statements</i>	
Balance Sheet	Page 4 of the 2003 BNPP B.V. Annual Report
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Information contained in the documents incorporated by reference other than information listed in the table above is for information purposes only.

Each Issuer will provide, free of charge, to each person to whom a copy of this Base Prospectus has been delivered, upon the oral or written request of such person, a copy of any or all of the documents which or portions of which are incorporated herein by reference. Written or oral requests for such documents should be directed to the relevant Issuer at its principal office set out at the end of this Base Prospectus. In addition, copies of any documents incorporated by reference will be made available, free of charge, by BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch ("BNPSS"), BNP Paribas Arbitrage SNC ("BNPA") and the other Warrant Agents and Certificate Agents (each as defined below). Requests for such documents should be directed to the specified office of such Warrant Agent or Certificate Agent.

FORM OF FINAL TERMS

FINAL TERMS DATED [●]

BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V.

(incorporated in The Netherlands)

(as Issuer)

BNP Paribas

(incorporated in France)

(as Issuer and Guarantor)

(Warrant and Certificate Programme)

PART A – CONTRACTUAL TERMS

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Conditions set forth in the Base Prospectus dated [●] [and the Supplemental Prospectus dated [●]] which [together] constitute[s] a base prospectus for the purposes of the Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”). This document constitutes the Final Terms of the Securities described herein for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive and must be read in conjunction with such Base Prospectus [as so supplemented]. Full information on [BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V.]/[BNP Paribas] (the “**Issuer**”) and the offer of the Securities is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Base Prospectus. [The Base Prospectus is available for viewing at [address] [and] [website] and copies may be obtained free of charge at the specified office of the Warrant Agents and Certificate Agents.]

The following alternative language applies if the first tranche of an issue which is being increased was issued under a Base Prospectus with an earlier date.

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Conditions (the “**Conditions**”) set forth in the Base Prospectus dated [original date] [and the Supplemental Prospectus dated [●]]. This document constitutes the Final Terms of the Securities described herein for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive (Directive 2003/71/EC) (the “**Prospectus Directive**”) and must be read in conjunction with the Base Prospectus dated [current date] [and the Supplemental Prospectus dated [●]], which [together] constitute[s] a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive, save in respect of the Conditions which are extracted from the Base Prospectus dated [original date] [and the Supplemental Prospectus dated [●]] and are attached hereto. Full information on [BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V.]/[BNP Paribas] (the “**Issuer**”) and the offer of the Securities is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Base Prospectuses dated [original date] and [current date] [and the Supplemental Prospectus dated [●]]. [The Base Prospectuses are available for viewing at [address] [and] [website] and copies may be obtained from [address].]

[Include whichever of the following apply or specify as “Not Applicable” (N/A). Note that the numbering should remain as set out below, even if “Not Applicable” is indicated for individual paragraphs or subparagraphs. Italics denote directions for completing the Final Terms.]

References herein to numbered Conditions are to the terms and conditions of the relevant series of Securities and words and expressions defined in such terms and conditions shall bear the same meaning in this Final Terms in so far as it relates to such series of Securities, save as where otherwise expressly provided.

[When completing any final terms, or adding any other final terms or information, consideration should be given as to whether such terms or information constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive]

This Final Terms relates to the series of Securities as set out in “Specific Provisions for each Series” below. References herein to “Securities” shall be deemed to be references to the relevant [Warrants/Certificates] that are the subject of this Final Terms and references to “Securities” and “Security” shall be construed accordingly.

- 1 Issuer: [BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V.]/[BNP Paribas] ¹
- 2 [Guarantor: BNP Paribas]
- 3 Type of Securities: The Securities are [Warrants/Certificates].

Specific Provisions for each Series

Series Number	No. of Securities issued	[No. of Securities per Unit	ISIN ²	Common Code	Issue Price per [Security/ Unit 1]	[Call/Put	[Exercise Price	[[Exercise Period/ Date]] ² / [Redemption Date] ³
[•].....	[•]	[•]	[•]	[•]		[Call/Put]	[insert currency] [•]	[•] [to [•]]
[•].....	[•]	[•] ¹	[•]	[•]		[Call/Put] ⁴	[insert currency] [•] ¹	[•] [to [•]]

General Provisions

The following terms apply to each series of Securities:

- 4 Consolidation: The Securities are to be consolidated and form a single series with the *[insert title of relevant series of Securities]* issued on *[insert issue date]*.
- 5 Type of Securities:

¹ Only BNP Paribas may issue U.S. Securities.
² DTC: CUSIP – include for U.S. Securities.
³ Not applicable for Warrants.
⁴ Not applicable for Certificates.

	[(i)	The Securities are [Index Securities / Share Securities / Debt Securities / Currency Securities / Commodity Securities / (specify other type of Securities)].
	[(ii)	The Securities relate to [describe relevant Index/Indices/ Shares/Debt Securities/Currencies/ Commodities].
6	Form of Securities:	[Clearing System Global Warrant]/[Registered Global Warrant.] [Global Certificate] [Dematerialised bearer form (au porteur) ⁵] [Rule 144A Global Warrant/Certificate] ⁶ [Private Placement Definitive Warrant/Certificate] ⁶ [Regulation S Global Warrant/Certificate]
7	Averaging:	Averaging [applies/does not apply] to the Securities. [The Averaging Dates are [●].] [In the event that an Averaging Date is a Disrupted Day [Omission/Postponement/Modified Postponement] (as defined in Condition 4) will apply.] [In the event of Modified Postponement applying, the Averaging Date will be determined [specify relevant provisions] (N.B. Only applicable in relation to Debt Securities, Currency Securities or Commodity Securities).]
8	Number of Securities being issued:	The number of Securities being issued is set out in “Specific Provisions for each Series” above.
9	Issue Price:	The issue price per [Security/Unit ¹] is set out in “Specific Provisions for each Series” above.
10	Issue Date:	The issue date of the Securities is [●].
11	Exchange Business Day	[●] (N.B. Only applicable if different from the definition in Condition 4).
12	Business Day Centre(s):	The applicable Business Day Centre[s] for the purposes of the definition of “Business Day” in Condition 4 [is/are] [●].
13	Settlement:	Settlement will be by way of [cash payment (Cash Settled Securities)] [and/or] [physical delivery (Physical Delivery Securities)].
14	Variation of Settlement:	
	(i) Issuer’s option to vary settlement	The Issuer [has/does not have] the option to vary settlement in respect of the Securities. ⁷

⁵ If French law-governed

⁶ If U.S. Securities

⁷ Not applicable for U.S. Securities, unless Physical Delivery can be in compliance with U.S. Securities laws.

(ii) Variation of Settlement of Physical Delivery Securities:	[Notwithstanding the fact that the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, the Issuer shall make payment of the Cash Settlement Amount on the Settlement Date and the provisions of Condition 5(D)(ii) will apply to the Warrants./The Issuer will procure delivery of the Entitlement in respect of the Warrants and the provisions of Condition 5(D)(ii) will not apply to the Warrants. Any Physical Delivery for U.S. Warrants must be made in compliance with the Securities Act and the Exchange Act.]
	[Notwithstanding the fact that the Certificates are Physical Delivery Certificates, the Issuer shall make payment of the Cash Settlement Amount on the Redemption Date and the provisions of Condition 7(C)(ii) will apply to the Certificates./The Issuer will procure delivery of the Entitlement in respect of the Certificates and the provisions of Condition 7(C)(ii) will not apply to the Certificates. Any Physical Delivery for U.S. Certificates must be made in compliance with the Securities Act and the Exchange Act.]
15 Exchange Rate:	The applicable rate of exchange for conversion of any amount into the relevant settlement currency for the purposes of determining the Settlement Price (as defined in Condition 4) or the Cash Settlement Amount (as defined in Condition 4) is [<i>insert rate of exchange and details of how and when such rate is to be ascertained</i>].
16 Settlement Currency:	The settlement currency for the payment of [the Cash Settlement Amount] (<i>in the case of Cash Settled Securities</i>)/[the Disruption Cash Settlement Price] (<i>in the case of Physical Delivery Securities</i>) is [●].
17 Agent:	The Agent is [BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch]/[BNP Paribas Arbitrage SNC]/[●] ⁸ .
18 Calculation Agent:	The Calculation Agent is [BNP Paribas]/[BNP Paribas Arbitrage SNC]/[specify other].
19 Exchange(s):	[For the purposes of Condition 4 and Condition 16(B), the relevant Exchange[s] [is/are] [●]. (<i>N.B. Only applicable in relation to Share Securities</i>)]
20 Exchange(s), Index Sponsor and Index Currency:	[For the purposes of Condition 16(A): (a) the relevant Exchange[s] [is/are] [●] and;

⁸ Placeholder for US agents.

			(b) the relevant Index Sponsor is [●]. (N.B. Only applicable in relation to Index Securities)
			[(c) the relevant Index Currency is [●].] (N.B. Only applicable in relation to Index Securities)
21	Related Exchange(s):		[For the purposes of Condition 4 and Condition 16(B), the relevant Related Exchange(s) [is/are] [●] / [All Exchanges] (N.B. Only applicable in relation to Share Securities)]/[For the purposes of Condition 16(A), the relevant Related Exchange(s) [is/are] [●] / [All Exchanges] (N.B. Only applicable in relation to Index Securities)]
22	Multiplier:		[The multiplier to be applied to each item comprising the basket to ascertain the Settlement Price is [●]. Each such Multiplier shall be subject to adjustment [in accordance with Condition 16(B) in the case of Share Securities]/[specify other]. (N.B. Only applicable in relation to Cash Settled Securities relating to a basket)]
23	Nominal Amount:		The nominal amount which is to be used to determine the Cash Settlement Amount is [●] and the relevant screen page (Relevant Screen Page) is [●]. (N.B. Only applicable in relation to Cash Settled Securities relating to Debt Securities)
24	Relevant Asset(s):		The relevant asset to which the Securities relate [is/are] [●]. (N.B. Only applicable in relation to Physical Delivery Securities)
25	Entitlement:		
		[(i)	The Entitlement (as defined in Condition 4) in relation to each Security is [●].
		[(ii)	The Entitlement will be evidenced by <i>[insert details of how the Entitlement will be evidenced]</i> .
		[(iii)	The Entitlement will be delivered <i>[insert details of the method of delivery of the Entitlement]</i> . (N.B. Only applicable in relation to Physical Delivery Securities)
26	Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount:		The Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount (as defined in Condition 3) is calculated <i>[specify calculation method]</i> . (N.B. Only applicable in the case of Physical Delivery Securities issued by BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V.)
27	Settlement Price:		The Settlement Price will be calculated <i>[insert calculation method]</i> . (N.B. Only applicable in relation to Commodity Securities)

28	Disrupted Day:	If the Valuation Date or an Averaging Date (each as defined in Condition 4), as the case may be, is a Disrupted Day, the Settlement Price will be calculated [<i>insert calculation method</i>].
29	Redemption of underlying Debt Securities:	Where one or more of the relevant Debt Securities is redeemed (or otherwise ceases to exist) before the expiration of the relevant Securities, [<i>insert appropriate fallback provisions</i>]. (<i>N.B. Only applicable in relation to Debt Securities</i>)
30	Relevant Time:	The relevant time is [●], being the time specified on the Valuation Date or an Averaging Date, as the case may be, for the calculation of the Settlement Price (<i>N.B. for Index Securities and Share Securities, if no Relevant Time is specified, the Valuation Time will be the Scheduled Closing Time as defined in Condition 4</i>).
31	Currency Securities:	
	[(i)	The Relevant Screen Page is [●].
	[(ii)	The relevant base currency (the Base Currency) is [●].
	[(iii)	The relevant subject [currency/currencies] (each a Subject Currency) [is/are] [●].
		(<i>N.B. Only applicable in relation to Currency Securities</i>)
32	Additional Disruption Events:	<p>[(a)] The following Additional Disruption Events apply to the Securities:</p> <p>(<i>Specify each of the following which applies. N.B. Additional Disruption Events are applicable to certain Index Securities or Share Securities. Careful consideration should be given to whether Additional Disruption Events would apply for Debt Securities, Currency Securities, Commodity Securities or Index Securities relating to commodity indices and if so the relevant definitions will require amendment</i>)</p> <p>[Change in Law] [Hedging Disruption] [Increased Cost of Hedging] [Increased Cost of Stock Borrow] [Insolvency Filing] (<i>N.B. Only applicable in the case of Share Securities</i>) [Loss of Stock Borrow]</p> <p>[(b)] [The Trade Date is [●].</p> <p>(<i>N.B. only applicable if Change in Law and/or Increased Cost of Hedging is applicable</i>)</p>

[(c)] [The Maximum Stock Loan Rate in respect of [specify in relation to each relevant Share/Security/Commodity] is [●].

(N.B. only applicable if Loss of Stock Borrow is applicable)

[(d)] [The Initial Stock Loan rate in respect of [specify in relation to each relevant Share/Security/Commodity] is [●].

(N.B. only applicable if Increased Cost of Stock Borrow is applicable)

33 Failure to Deliver due to Illiquidity: Failure to Deliver due to Illiquidity applies to the Securities. *(N.B. Only applicable in the case of Physical Delivery Securities - Failure to Deliver due to Illiquidity is applicable to certain Share Securities. Careful consideration should be given to whether Failure to Deliver due to Illiquidity would apply to other Physical Delivery Securities)*

34 Special conditions or other modifications to the Terms and Conditions: [●]

35 Listing: [The Securities are unlisted]/[Application has been made to list the Securities on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and to admit the Securities for trading described herein on the “*Bourse de Luxembourg*” (the “Regulated Market”) of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange/Luxembourg Stock Exchange’s EuroMTF Market]/[specify other exchange].

36 Selling Restrictions: *[Insert any additional selling restrictions]*

(i) Eligibility for sale of Securities in the United States under the exemption provided by Section 4(2) to AIs (N.B. Only Securities issued by BNPP can be so eligible): The Securities are [not] eligible for sale in the United States to AIs.

[Where Securities are eligible for sale in the United States to AIs, include the following:

- (a) the Securities will be in the form of Private Placement Definitive Securities;
- (b) the Securities may [not] be issued concurrently outside the United States to non-U.S. persons [(such Securities to be represented by a Regulation S Global Security)];

- (c) the Securities may [not] be transferred to QIBs (N.B. Securities may only be transferred to QIBs if eligible for sale to QIBs as provided in paragraph (ii) below);
- (d) the Securities may [not] be transferred to non-U.S. persons;
- (e) the Securities may [not] be transferred to AIs;
- (f) [insert applicable U.S. selling restrictions and specify details of any transfer restrictions and any necessary certifications, if different from those set out in the Conditions]; and
- (g) [specify any amendments to the form of Exercise Notice (the form of which is set out in a schedule to the Agency Agreement)].⁹

(ii) Eligibility for sale of Securities in the United States to QIBs within the meaning of Rule 144A (N.B. Only U.S. Securities issued by BNPP can be so eligible):

The Securities are [not] eligible for sale in the United States under Rule 144A to QIBs.

[Where Securities are eligible for sale in the United States under Rule 144A to QIBs, include the following:

- (a) The Rule 144A Global Security will be deposited with [a custodian for DTC]/[a common depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg/Euroclear];
- (b) The Securities may [not] be issued concurrently outside the United States to non-U.S. persons [(such Securities to be represented by a Regulation S Global Security)];
- (c) The Securities may [not] be transferred to QIBs;
- (d) The Securities may [not] be transferred to non-U.S. persons;
- (e) The Securities may [not] be transferred to AIs (N.B. Security may only be transferred to AIs if eligible for sale to AIs as provided for in paragraph (i) above);
- (f) [insert applicable U.S. selling restrictions and specify details of any transfer restrictions and any necessary certifications, if different from those set out in the Conditions]; and
- (g) [specify any amendments to the form of Exercise Notice (the form of which is set out in a schedule to the Agency Agreement)].]

⁹ Not applicable for Certificates.

37	Additional U.S. federal income tax consequences:	[insert details]
38	Registered broker/dealer:	[BNP Paribas Securities Corp./[specify other]/[Not Applicable]] ¹⁰
39	Syndication:	The Securities will be distributed on a [non-]syndicated basis. (<i>If syndicated, specify names of the Managers</i>)
40	Additional or Alternative Clearing System:	<i>[Insert details of any clearing system other than DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Euroclear and Euroclear France including appropriate clearing code/number]</i>
41	Governing law:	[English/French] law

PROVISIONS RELATING TO WARRANTS

42	Type of Warrants:	
	(i)	The Warrants are [European/American/(specify other)] Style Warrants.
	(ii)	The Warrants are Call Warrants or Put Warrants as set out in “Specific Provisions for each Series” above.
	(iii)	Automatic Exercise [applies/does not apply]. (<i>N.B. Automatic Exercise may only apply in relation to Cash Settled Warrants</i>).
43	Units:	Warrants must be exercised in Units. Each Unit consists of the number of Warrants set out in “Specific Provisions for each Series” above. (<i>N.B. This is in addition to any requirements relating to “Minimum Exercise Number” or “Maximum Exercise Number” as set out under “Provisions relating to Warrants” below</i>).
44	Exercise Price:	The exercise price per [Warrant/Unit] (which may be subject to adjustment in accordance with Condition 16(B) in the case of Share Warrants) is set out in “Specific Provisions for each Series” above. [<i>N.B. This should take into account any relevant Multiplier and, in the case of an Index Warrant, must be expressed as a monetary value</i>].
45	Exercise Date:	The exercise date of the Warrants is set out in “Specific Provisions for each Series” above, provided that, if such date is not an Exercise Business Day, the Exercise Date shall be the immediately [succeeding] Exercise Business Day. (<i>N.B. Only applicable in relation to European Style Warrants</i>)

¹⁰ If U.S. Securities.

46	Exercise Period:	The exercise period in respect of the Warrants is set out in “Specific Provisions for each Series” above, [inclusive of the dates specified] [, or if either day specified is not an Exercise Business Day, the immediately [succeeding] Exercise Business Day]. <i>(N.B. Only applicable in relation to American Style Warrants)</i>
47	Settlement Date:	<p>[(i)] The settlement date for the Warrants is [●]. <i>(N.B. Applicable for Physical Delivery Warrants. Only applicable for Cash Settled Warrants if Settlement Date is different from the definition in Condition 4)</i></p> <p>[(ii) “Settlement Business Day” for the purposes of Condition 5(C)(2) means [●]. <i>(N.B. Only applicable in the case of Physical Delivery Warrants)</i>]</p>
48	Minimum Exercise Number:	The minimum number of Warrants that may exercised (including automatic exercise) on any day by any Holder is [●] [and Warrants may only be exercised (including automatic exercise) in integral multiples of [●] Warrants in excess thereof].
49	Maximum Exercise Number:	The maximum number of Warrants that must be exercised on any day by any Holder or group of Holders (whether or not acting in concert) is [●]. <i>(N.B. not applicable for European Style Warrants)</i>

PROVISIONS RELATING TO CERTIFICATES

50	Redemption Date:	[●]
51	Cash Settlement Amount:	<i>[Insert details of Cash Settlement Amount and how it is to be calculated for Cash Settled Certificates]</i>
52	Valuation Date:	[●]
53	Settlement Business Day:	Settlement Business Day for the purposes of Condition 6 means [●]. <i>(N.B. Only applicable in the case of Physical Delivery Certificates)</i>
54	Notional Amount of each Certificate:	[Currency][Amount]

PROVISIONS RELATING TO INTEREST IN RESPECT OF CERTIFICATES

55	Interest Payment Dates:	[[] and the Redemption Date]
56	Interest Rate:	[●]
57	Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	<p>[Actual/365 or Actual/Actual (ISDA)]</p> <p>[Actual/365 (Fixed)]</p> <p>[Actual/360]</p>

		[30/360 (Floating) or 360/360 or Bond Basis]
		[30E/360 or Eurobond Basis]
58	Fixed Rate Provisions	[Applicable/Not Applicable]
		<i>(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)</i>
	(i) Fixed Rate[(s)] of Interest:	[●] per cent. per annum [payable [annually/semi-annually/quarterly] in arrear]
	(ii) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest for fixed rate Certificates:	[None/Give details]
59	Floating Rate Provisions	[Applicable/Not Applicable]
		<i>(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)</i>
	(i) Interest Period(s):	[●]
	(ii) Fall back provisions, market disruption, adjustment rules, Calculation Agent, day count fraction, rounding provisions and any other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on floating rate Securities, if different from those set out in the Conditions:	[●]

[Listing Application

These Final Terms comprise the final terms required to list [and have admitted to trading] the issue of Securities described herein pursuant to the Warrant and Certificate Programme of BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V. and BNP Paribas dated [●] 2005.]

Responsibility

[Each of the]/[The] Issuer [(in respect of itself)] [and the Guarantor (in respect of itself and the Issuer)] accepts responsibility for the information contained in these Final Terms. The information included in [the Annex] (the [●] Information) consists of extracts from or summaries of information that is publicly available in respect of [●]. [Each of the]/[The] Issuer [and the Guarantor (each as aforesaid)] confirms that such information has been accurately reproduced and that, so far as it is aware, and is able to ascertain from information published by ●, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced inaccurate or misleading.]

Signed on behalf of [BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V.]/[BNP Paribas]

As Issuer:

By:Duly authorised

[Signed on behalf of BNP Paribas

As Guarantor:

By:Duly authorised]

PART B – OTHER INFORMATION

1 Ratings

Ratings:

The Securities to be issued have been rated:

[S & P: [●]]

[Moody's: [●]]

[[Other]: [●]]

[Need to include a brief explanation of the meaning of the ratings if this has previously been published by the rating provider, for example:

“As defined by Moody’s an [Aa1] rating means that the obligations of the Issuer and the Guarantor under the Programme are of high quality and are subject to very low credit risk and, as defined by Standard & Poors, an [AA+] rating means that the relevant Issuer and Guarantor’s capacity to meet its financial commitment under the Securities is very strong.”]

(The above disclosure should reflect the rating allocated to Securities of the type being issued under the Programme generally or, where the issue has been specifically rated, that rating.)

2 [Risk Factors

[Include any product specific risk factors which are not covered under “Risk Factors” in the Base Prospectus. If any such additional risk factors need to be included consideration should be given as to whether they constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for either (i) a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive, the publication of which would in turn trigger the investors’ right to withdraw their acceptances within a 48 hour time period or (ii) a Prospectus.]]

3 [Notification

The *Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier*, which is the Luxembourg competent authority for the purpose of the Prospectus Directive, [has been requested to provide/has provided - include first alternative for an issue which is contemporaneous with the establishment or update of the Programme and the second alternative for subsequent issues] the *[include names of competent authorities of host Member States]* with a certificate of approval attesting that the Base Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the Prospectus Directive.]

4 [Interests of Natural and Legal Persons Involved in the [Issue/Offer]

Need to include a description of any interest, including conflicting ones, that is material to the issue/offer, detailing the persons involved and the nature of the interest. May be satisfied by the inclusion of the following statement:

“Save as discussed in [“*Risk Factors*” in the Base Prospectus], so far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the offer of the Securities has an interest material to the offer.”]

5 [Reasons for the Offer, Estimated Net Proceeds and Total Expenses ¹¹

Reasons for the offer

[●]

(See “Use of Proceeds” wording in Base Prospectus – if reasons for offer different from making profit and/or hedging certain risks will need to include those reasons here.)

Estimated net proceeds:

[●]

(If proceeds are intended for more than one use will need to split out and present in order of priority. If proceeds insufficient to fund all proposed uses state amount and sources of other funding.)

Estimated total expenses:

[●] [Include breakdown of expenses]]

6 [Index Warrants/Index Certificates only – Performance of Index/Formula/Other Variable, Explanation of Effect on Value of Investment and Associated Risks and Other Information concerning the Underlying

[Need to include details of where past and future performance and volatility of the index/formula/other variable can be obtained and a clear and comprehensive explanation of how the value of the investment is affected by the underlying and the circumstances when the risks are most evident.] [Where the underlying is an index need to include the name of the index and a description if composed by the Issuer and if the index is not composed by the Issuer need to include details of where the information about the index can be obtained.]¹²

For the purpose of describing the underlying asset, index or other item(s) to which the Securities relate insert

- (a) details of the “Basket of Indices” or the single “Index”;*
- (b) details of the “Basket of Shares” (including, but not limited to, the number and type of each Share comprising the Basket) and of the Basket Companies or the single Share and the issuer of the Share;*
- (c) details of the “Basket of Debt Securities” or the single “Debt Security”;*
- (d) details of the “Basket of Commodities” or the single “Commodity”;* and

¹¹ If the Securities are derivative securities to which Annex XII of the Prospectus Regulation applies, disclosure in respect of Estimated Net Proceeds and Total Expenses is only required if reasons for the offer are disclosed.

¹² Required for derivative securities.

- (e) *details of any combination of the above, or other; and*
- (f) *any further details of the underlying asset, index or other item(s) to which the Securities relate which are required to comply with the regulations of the stock exchange on which the Securities are to be listed (if any).*

7 [Index Disclaimer]¹³

The issue of this series of Securities (in this paragraph, the “**Transaction**”) is not sponsored, endorsed, sold, or promoted by [NAME OF INDEX] (the “**Index**”) or [NAME OF INDEX SPONSOR] (the “**Index Sponsor**”) and no Index Sponsor makes any representation whatsoever, whether express or implied, either as to the results to be obtained from the use of the Index and/or the levels at which the Index stands at any particular time on any particular date or otherwise. No Index or Index Sponsor shall be liable (whether in negligence or otherwise) to any person for any error in the Index and the Index Sponsor is under no obligation to advise any person of any error therein. No Index Sponsor is making any representation whatsoever, whether express or implied, as to the advisability of purchasing or assuming any risk in connection with entering into any Transaction. [The Issuer shall not]/[Neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor shall] have any liability for any act or failure to act by the Index Sponsor in connection with the calculation, adjustment or maintenance of the Index. Except as disclosed prior to the Issue Date, neither the Issuer[, the Guarantor] nor [its]/[their] affiliates has any affiliation with or control over the Index or Index Sponsor or any control over the computation, composition or dissemination of the Index. Although the Calculation Agent will obtain information concerning the Index from publicly available sources it believes reliable, it will not independently verify this information. Accordingly, no representation, warranty or undertaking (express or implied) is made and no responsibility is accepted by the Issuer[, the Guarantor,] [its]/[their] affiliates or the Calculation Agent as to the accuracy, completeness and timeliness of information concerning the Index.]

8 [Derivatives only – Other Information concerning the Securities to be [offered]/[admitted to trading]]¹⁴

- Name of the issuer of the underlying security: [●]
- ISIN Code: [●]
- Underlying interest rate: [●]
- Relevant weightings of each underlying in the basket: [●]
- Adjustment rules with relation to events concerning the underlying: [●]
- Source of information relating to the [Index]/[Indices] [●]
- Place where information relating to the [Index]/[Indices] can be obtained [●]
- Post-Issuance information¹⁵: [●]

¹³ Include for Index Warrants and Index Certificates

¹⁴ Include for Index Warrants and Index Certificates

¹⁵ Indicate whether post-issuance information is to be provided and, if so, what information (including in relation to the underlying security) will be provided and where such information can be obtained.

9 [Terms and Conditions of the Offer]

- Conditions to which the offer is subject: [•]
- Total amount of the issue/offer; if the amount is not fixed, description of the arrangements and time for announcing to the public the definitive amount of the offer: [•]
- The time period, including any possible amendments, during which the offer will be open and description of the application process: [•]
- A description of the possibility to reduce subscriptions and the manner for refunding excess amount paid by applicants: [•]
- Details of the minimum and/or maximum amount of application:¹⁶ [•]
- Method and time limits for paying up the Securities and for delivery of the Securities: [•]
- Manner and date in which results of the offer are to be made public: [•]
- Categories of potential investors to which the securities are offered:¹⁷ [•]
[For example:
“Legal entities which are authorised or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorised or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities.
Any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than €43,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than €50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts.”]
- Process for notification to applicants of the amount allotted and indication whether dealing may begin before notification is made: [•]

10 [Placing and Underwriting]¹⁸

- Name and address of the co-ordinator(s) of the global offer and of single parts of the offer:¹⁹ [•]

¹⁶ Whether in number of securities or aggregate amount to invest.

¹⁷ If the offer is being made simultaneously in the markets of two or more countries and if a tranche has been or is being reserved for certain of these, indicate any such tranche.

¹⁸ Required for derivative securities.

¹⁹ To the extent known to the Issuer, of the placers in the various countries where the offer takes place.

Name and address of any paying agents and depository agents in each country (in addition to the Principal Paying Agent): [•]

Entities agreeing to underwrite the issue on a firm commitment basis, and entities agreeing to place the issue without a firm commitment or under “best efforts” arrangements.²⁰ [•]

When the underwriting agreement has been or will be reached: [•]

11 Yield

[An indication of yield. Describe the method whereby that yield is calculated in summary form.]

²⁰ Where not all of the issue is underwritten, a statement of the portion not covered.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE WARRANTS

The following is the text of the Terms and Conditions of the Warrants which, in the case of English Law Warrants (as defined in Condition 4 below), will be attached to each Clearing System Global Warrant, Private Placement Definitive Warrant or Registered Global Warrant (each as defined below). The applicable Final Terms (as defined below) in relation to any issue of Warrants may specify other terms and conditions which shall, to the extent so specified or to the extent inconsistent with the following Terms and Conditions, replace or modify the following Terms and Conditions for the purpose of such Warrants. In the case of English Law Warrants, the applicable Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) will be attached to each Clearing System Global Warrant, Private Placement Definitive Warrant or Registered Global Warrant, as the case may be. The provisions in respect of Registered Warrants and U.S. Warrants below relate to English Law Warrants only.

The series of Warrants described in the applicable Final Terms (in so far as it relates to such series of Warrants) (such Warrants being hereinafter referred to as the “**Warrants**”) are issued by whichever of BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V. (“**BNPP B.V.**”) or BNP Paribas (“**BNPP**”) is specified as the Issuer in the applicable Final Terms (the “**Issuer**”) and references to the Issuer shall be construed accordingly. Only BNPP may issue U.S. Warrants. The Warrants are issued pursuant to an Agency Agreement dated 18 October 2005 (as amended and/or supplemented from time to time, the “**Agency Agreement**”) between BNPP B.V. as issuer, BNPP as issuer and (where the Issuer is BNPP B.V.) guarantor (in such capacity, the “**Guarantor**”), BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch as agent (if specified in the applicable Final Terms as Agent in respect of the Warrants, the “**Principal Warrant Agent**”), BNP Paribas Arbitrage SNC as agent (if specified in the applicable Final Terms as Agent in respect of the Warrants, the “**Principal Warrant Agent**”), any agent appointed as New York warrant agent (the “**New York Warrant Agent**”), any agent appointed as definitive warrant agent (the “**Definitive Warrant Agent**”) (each, a “**Warrant Agent**” and collectively, the “**Warrant Agents**”) and BNP PARIBAS Securities (Japan) Limited as registrar in respect of Registered Warrants (the “**Registrar**”). The expression “Warrant Agent” shall include any additional or successor warrant agent in respect of the Warrants. BNP Paribas or BNP Paribas Arbitrage SNC (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) shall undertake the duties of calculation agent (the “**Calculation Agent**”) in respect of the Warrants as set out below and in the applicable Final Terms unless another entity is so specified as calculation agent in the applicable Final Terms. The expression Calculation Agent shall, in relation to the relevant Warrants, include such other specified calculation agent. The Agency Agreement will be governed by English Law in the case of English Law Warrants (the “**English Law Agency Agreement**”) and by French Law in the case of French Law Warrants (the “**French Law Agency Agreement**”).

English Law Warrants (as defined in Condition 4 below) are constituted by a clearing system global warrant (the “**Clearing System Global Warrant**”) or a registered global warrant (the “**Registered Global Warrant**”) or a warrant in definitive registered form (a “**Private Placement Definitive Warrant**”) as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Except as provided herein, no Warrants in definitive form will be issued.

In the event that (A) the applicable Final Terms specify that Warrants are eligible for sale in the United States (such eligibility to be pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), the Warrants sold in the United States to qualified institutional buyers (“**QIBs**”) within the meaning of Rule 144A (“**Rule 144A**”) under the Securities Act (“**Rule 144A Warrants**”) will be represented by one or more Rule 144A global warrants (each, a “**Rule 144A Global Warrant**”), (B) the applicable Final Terms specifies that the Warrants are eligible for sale in the United States under the exemption provided by Section 4(2) (“**Section 4(2)**”) of the Securities Act, the Warrants sold in the United States to accredited investors (“**AIs**”) (as defined in Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act) will be constituted by private placement definitive warrants (“**Private Placement Definitive Warrants**”), and (C) in

either such case, Warrants are sold outside the United States to non-U.S. persons under the exemption contained in Regulation S (“**Regulation S**”) under the Securities Act, such Warrants will be represented by one or more Regulation S global warrants (each, a “**Regulation S Global Warrant**”). References herein to a Clearing System Global Warrant include, as the context so requires, a Rule 144A Global Warrant and a Regulation S Global Warrant.

In the event that the Warrants are constituted by a Clearing System Global Warrant (such Warrants being hereinafter referred to as “**Clearing System Warrants**”), the Clearing System Global Warrant will be deposited with a depository (the “**Common Depository**”) common to Clearstream Banking, société anonyme (“**Clearstream, Luxembourg**”) and Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. as operator of the Euroclear System (“**Euroclear**”) and/or any other relevant Clearing System (as defined below). Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant will be either (i) deposited with a custodian (a “**Custodian**”) for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, The Depository Trust Company (“**DTC**”) or (ii) issued and deposited with a Common Depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear and/or any other relevant Clearing System.²¹

In the event that the Warrants are constituted by a Registered Global Warrant (such Warrants being hereinafter referred to as “**Registered Warrants**”), the Registered Global Warrant will be held by the Registrar on behalf of the holders.

Interests in a Rule 144A Global Warrant and Regulation S Global Warrant may be exchanged for interests in the other Clearing System Global Warrant and for Private Placement Definitive Warrants and Private Placement Definitive Warrants may be exchanged for an interest in a Rule 144A Global Warrant or Regulation S Global Warrant only as described herein. Interests in a Clearing System Global Warrant or a Private Placement Definitive Warrant may not be exchanged for interests in a Registered Global Warrant and interests in a Registered Global Warrant may not be exchanged for interests in a Clearing System Global Warrant or a Private Placement Definitive Warrant.

Each of the Clearing System Global Warrant and the Registered Global Warrant is referred to in these Terms and Conditions as a “**Global Warrant**”. The applicable Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) will be attached to such Global Warrant.

In the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, if DTC notifies BNPP that it is unwilling or unable to continue as a depository for that Global Warrant or if at any time DTC ceases to be a “clearing agency” registered under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and a successor depository is not appointed by BNPP within 90 days of such notice, BNPP will deliver Warrants in definitive registered form (bearing such legends as may be required by BNPP) in exchange for that Rule 144A Global Warrant. Except in these circumstances, owners of beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC will not be entitled to have any portion of such Warrants registered in their name and will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of registered Warrants in definitive form in exchange for their interests in that Rule 144A Global Warrant. Transfer, exercise, settlement and other mechanics related to any Warrants issued in definitive form in exchange for Warrants represented by such Rule 144A Global Warrant shall be as agreed between BNPP and the New York Warrant Agent.

French Law Warrants (as defined in Condition 4 below) are issued in dematerialised form (au porteur) (such Warrants hereinafter also referred to as “**Clearing System Warrants**”). No physical document of title (including certificats représentatifs pursuant to Article 7 of décret no. 83-359 of May 1983) will be issued in respect of French Law Warrants.

²¹ Regulation S Warrant could also be deposited with DTC if desired.

The applicable Final Terms for the Warrants supplements these Terms and Conditions and may specify other terms and conditions which shall, to the extent so specified or to the extent inconsistent with these Terms and Conditions, supplement, replace or modify these Terms and Conditions for the purposes of the Warrants.

References herein to the applicable Final Terms are to the Final Terms or two or more sets of Final Terms (in the case of any further warrants issued pursuant to Condition 13 and forming a single series with the Warrants) (which, for the avoidance of doubt, may be issued in respect of more than one series of Warrants) insofar as they relate to the Warrants.

Subject as provided in Condition 3 and in the Guarantees (as defined below), where the Issuer is BNPP B.V. the obligations of BNPP B.V. with respect to physical delivery (if applicable) and/or the payment of amounts payable by BNPP B.V. are guaranteed by BNPP (in such capacity, the “**Guarantor**”) pursuant to the Guarantee (as defined in Condition 4). The original of each Guarantee is held by BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch on behalf of the Holders at its specified office.

Copies of the Agency Agreement, will be available for inspection at the specified office of the relevant Warrant Agent and the Registrar (in the case of Registered Warrants), copies of the Guarantees will be available for inspection at the specified office in Luxembourg of the relevant Warrant Agent and the Registrar and copies of the applicable Final Terms may be obtained from the specified office of the relevant Warrant Agent and the Registrar (in the case of Registered Warrants), save that if the Warrants are unlisted, the applicable Final Terms will only be obtainable by a Holder and such Holder must produce evidence satisfactory to the relevant Warrant Agent as to identity.

Words and expressions defined in the Agency Agreement or used in the applicable Final Terms shall have the same meanings where used in these Terms and Conditions unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise stated.

The Holders (as defined in Condition 1(B)) are entitled to the benefit of and are deemed to have notice of and are bound by all the provisions of the Agency Agreement (insofar as they relate to the Warrants) and the applicable Final Terms, which are binding on them.

1 Type, Title and Transfer

(A) Type

The Warrants relate to a specified Index or basket of Indices (“**Index Warrants**”), a specified Share or basket of Shares (“**Share Warrants**”), a specified debt instrument (“**Debt Security**”) or basket of Debt Securities (“**Debt Warrants**”), a specified currency (“**Currency**”) or basket of Currencies (“**Currency Warrants**”), a specified commodity (“**Commodity**”) or basket of Commodities (“**Commodity Warrants**”) or any other or further type of warrants as is specified in the applicable Final Terms. Certain terms which will, unless otherwise varied in the applicable Final Terms, apply to Index Warrants, Share Warrants, Debt Warrants, Currency Warrants or Commodity Warrants are set out in Condition 16.

The applicable Final Terms will indicate whether the Warrants are American style Warrants (“**American Style Warrants**”) or European style Warrants (“**European Style Warrants**”), Registered Warrants or such other type as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms, in the case of Cash Settled Warrants whether automatic exercise (“**Automatic Exercise**”) applies to the Warrants, whether settlement shall be by way of cash payment (“**Cash Settled Warrants**”) or physical delivery (“**Physical Delivery Warrants**”), whether the Warrants are call Warrants (“**Call Warrants**”) or put Warrants (“**Put Warrants**”), or such other type as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms, whether the Warrants may only be exercised in units (“**Units**”) and whether Averaging (“**Averaging**”) applies.

will apply to the Warrants. If Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, Warrants must be exercised in Units and any Exercise Notice which purports to exercise Warrants in breach of this provision shall be void and of no effect. If Averaging is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms the applicable Final Terms will state the relevant Averaging Dates and, if an Averaging Date is a Disrupted Day, whether Omission, Postponement or Modified Postponement (each as defined in Condition 4 below) applies.

References in these Terms and Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, to Cash Settled Warrants shall be deemed to include references to (a) Physical Delivery Warrants, which include an option (as set out in the applicable Final Terms) at the Issuer's election to request cash settlement of such Warrant pursuant to Condition 5(D)(i) and where settlement is to be by way of cash payment, and (b) Physical Delivery Warrants where settlement is to be automatically varied to be by way of a cash payment pursuant to Condition 5(D)(ii). References in these Terms and Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, to Physical Delivery Warrants shall be deemed to include references to Cash Settled Warrants which include an option (as set out in the applicable Final Terms) at the Issuer's election to request physical delivery of the relevant underlying asset in settlement of such Warrant pursuant to Condition 5(D)(ii) and where settlement is to be by way of physical delivery. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, BNPP does not have the option to vary settlement in respect of the U.S. Warrants pursuant to Condition 5(D)(i).

Warrants may, if specified in the applicable Final Terms, allow Holders to elect for settlement by way of cash payment or by way of physical delivery or by such other method of settlement as is specified in the applicable Final Terms. Those Warrants where the Holder has elected for cash payment will be Cash Settled Warrants and those Warrants where the Holder has elected for physical delivery will be Physical Delivery Warrants. The rights of a Holder as described in this paragraph may be subject to the Issuer's right to vary settlement as indicated in the applicable Final Terms and will be subject to the Issuer's right to substitute assets or pay the Alternate Cash Amount (as defined below) in lieu of physical delivery in accordance with Condition 5(E).

(B) *Title to Warrants*

In the case of Warrants represented by a Clearing System Global Warrant held by a Common Depository on behalf of a relevant Clearing System and French Law Warrants, each person who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing System (in the case of English Law Warrants) or whose name appears in the account of the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law Warrants) as the holder of a particular amount of such Warrants (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, Account Holder as to the amount of Warrants standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, and the relevant Warrant Agent as the holder of such amount of Warrants for all purposes (and the expressions "**Holder**" and "**Holder of Warrants**" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly).

In addition, title to French Law Warrants will be evidenced in accordance with Article L.211-4 of the French *Code monétaire et financier* by book-entries (*inscription en compte*). No document of title (including *certificats représentatifs* pursuant to article 7 of Decree No. 83-359 of 2 May 1989) will be issued in respect of such Warrants. The Warrants will, upon issue, be inscribed in the books of Euroclear France which will credit the accounts of the relevant Account Holders.

For the purpose of these Conditions, "**Account Holder**" means any authorised financial intermediary institution entitled to hold accounts, directly or indirectly, on behalf of its customers with Euroclear France, and includes the depositary bank for Clearstream Luxembourg and Euroclear.

In the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, the Rule 144A Global Warrant will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, but this does not confer any rights or benefits on Cede & Co. or any other nominee of DTC in whose name a Rule 144A Global Warrant may be registered. Transfers of such Rule 144A Global Warrant by such nominee of DTC shall be limited to transfers of such Rule 144A Global Warrant, in whole but not in part, to another nominee of DTC or to a successor of DTC or such successor's nominee. Rights conferred by the rule 144A Global Warrant are only enforceable by the Holders (as defined below) as provided therein. Subject as set forth in Condition 1(D) below, each person who is for the time being shown in the records of DTC as the Holder of a particular number of Warrants shall (except as otherwise required by law) be treated by the Issuer and the New York Warrant Agent as the Holder of such amount of Warrants for all purposes (and the expressions "**Holder of Warrants**" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly).

In the case of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, BNPP shall cause to be kept at the principal office of the Definitive Warrant Agent, a register (the "**Private Placement Register**") on which shall be entered the names and addresses of all holders of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, the amount and type of Private Placement Definitive Warrants held by them and details of all transfers of Private Placement Definitive Warrants. Subject as set forth in Condition 1(D) below, the persons shown in the Private Placement Register (each a "**Holder**") shall (except as otherwise required by law) be treated as the absolute owners of the relevant Private Placement Definitive Warrants for all purposes (regardless of any notice of ownership, trust, or any interest in it, any writing on it, or its theft or loss) and no person will be liable for so treating such person.

(C) *Title to Registered Warrants*

In the case of Registered Warrants, the Issuer shall cause to be kept at the principal office of the Registrar, a register (the "**Register**") on which shall be entered the names and addresses of all holders of the Warrants, the amount and type of the Warrants held by each Holder and details of all transfers of the Warrants. Each person who is for the time being shown in the Register as the holder of a particular amount of Warrants (each a "**Holder**") shall (except as otherwise required by law) be treated as the absolute owner of such amount of Warrants for all purposes (regardless of any notice of ownership, trust, or any interest in it, any writing on it, or its theft or loss) and no person will be liable for so treating such person.

(D) *Transfers of Interests in Clearing System Warrants and Private Placement Definitive Warrants*

Transfers of Warrants may not be effected after the exercise of such Warrants pursuant to Condition 6.

Subject as set forth in this Condition all transactions (including permitted transfers of Warrants) in the open market or otherwise must be effected, in the case of Warrants represented by Clearing System Global Warrant, held by a Common Depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear through an account at Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, or in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, through a direct or indirect participant of DTC, subject to and in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of the relevant Clearing System(s). Transfers in respect of Clearing System Warrants governed by French Law, must be effected through Account Holders. Title will pass upon registration of the transfer in the books of the relevant Clearing System.

Subject as set forth in this Condition, Private Placement Definitive Warrants may be transferred by the then current Holder surrendering its Private Placement Definitive Warrant for registration of transfer at the specified office of the Definitive Warrant Agent, duly endorsed by, or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer (in the form satisfactory to BNPP and the Definitive Warrant Agent), duly

executed by the Holder or its duly authorized agent. Private Placement Definitive Warrants may only be issued and transferred in minimum nominal amounts of \$250,000 or more.

- (a) Transfers of Warrants to a person who takes delivery in the form of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant or Regulation S Global Warrant may be made only in accordance with the following provisions:
 - (i)
 - (A) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Warrants represented by a Regulation S Global Warrant, from a Holder of Warrants represented by a Regulation S Global Warrant, within the Distribution Compliance Period (as defined below) only, upon certification (in the form from time to time available from any Warrant Agent) to the Principal Warrant Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a non-U.S. person in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S and, after the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, to a non-U.S. person in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S but without such certification;
 - (B) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant, from a Holder of Warrants represented by a Regulation S Global Warrant, within the Distribution Compliance Period only, upon certification (in the form from time to time available from any Warrant Agent) to the relevant Warrant Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a person who is a QIB acquiring such Warrants in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and, after the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A but without such certification;
 - (C) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Warrants represented by a Regulation S Global Warrant, from a Holder of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, upon certification (in the form from time to time available from any Warrant Agent) to the Principal Warrant Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a non-U.S. person in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S;
 - (D) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant, from a Holder of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, upon certification (in the form from time to time available from any Warrant Agent) to the relevant Warrant Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a person who is a QIB acquiring such Warrants in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A;
 - (E) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant, from a Holder of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A;
 - (F) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Warrants represented by a Regulation S Global Warrant, from a Holder of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant, within the Distribution Compliance Period only, upon certification (in the form from time to time available from any

Warrant Agent) to the Principal Warrant Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a non-U.S. person in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S and, after the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, to a non-U.S. person in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S but without such certification; and

- (G) in each case, in accordance with any applicable rules and regulations of the Principal Warrant Agent, the New York Warrant Agent, the Definitive Warrant Agent, the relevant Clearing System, and/or as specified in the applicable Final Terms.
- (ii) On the transfer date:
 - (A) (x) in the case of transfers of Warrants represented by a Clearing System Global Warrant, the relevant Clearing System will debit the account of its participant and (y) in the case of transfers of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, the Holder must deliver the Private Placement Definitive Warrants the subject of the transfer to the Definitive Warrant Agent and instruct the Definitive Warrant Agent to cancel the transferred Private Placement Definitive Warrants; and
 - (B) The relevant Clearing System or the Holder, as the case may be, will instruct (x) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Warrants represented by a Regulation S Global Warrant or a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Common Depositary on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear, the Principal Warrant Agent to instruct the Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear, as the case may be, to credit the relevant account of the relevant Clearing System participant, and (y) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, (1) the New York Warrant Agent (in the case of transfers of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC) to credit the relevant account of the DTC participant, (2) the Definitive Warrant Agent (in the case of transfers of Private Placement Definitive Warrants) to credit the relevant account of the DTC participant, or (3) the Principal Warrant Agent (in the case of transfers of Warrants represented by a Regulation S Global Warrant or Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Common Depositary on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear) to instruct DTC to credit the relevant account of the relevant Clearing System at DTC and thereafter DTC will debit such account of the relevant Clearing System, and will credit the relevant account of the DTC participant.
 - (iii) Upon any such transfer, on the transfer date:
 - (A) the Principal Warrant Agent, in the case of transfers to and/or from a person who takes delivery in the form of Warrants represented by a Regulation S Global Warrant or Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Common Depositary on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear, will increase or decrease, if appropriate, the number of Warrants represented by such Regulation S Global Warrant or Rule 144A Global Warrant, whereupon the number of Warrants represented by such Regulation S Global Warrant or Rule 144A Global Warrant

shall be increased or decreased, if appropriate, for all purposes by the number so transferred and endorsed; or

- (B) the New York Warrant Agent, in the case of transfers to and/or from a person who takes delivery in the form of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, will increase or decrease, if appropriate, the number of Warrants represented by such Rule 144A Global Warrant, whereupon the number of Warrants represented by such Rule 144A Global Warrant shall be increased or decreased, if appropriate, for all purposes by the number so transferred and endorsed.
- (b) Transfers of Warrants to a person who takes delivery in the form of Private Placement Definitive Warrants may be made only in accordance with the following provisions:
- (i)
 - (A) in the case of transfers from a Holder of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, upon (x) delivery of a duly executed investor representation letter from the relevant transferee in accordance with paragraph (c) below and (y) certification (in the form from time to time available from any Warrant Agent) to the Definitive Warrant Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is an AI acquiring such Warrants in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act;
 - (B) in the case of transfers from a holder of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant, upon (x) delivery of a duly executed investor representation letter from the relevant transferee in accordance with paragraph (c) below and (y) certification (in the form from time to time available from any Warrant Agent) to the Definitive Warrant Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is an AI who is acquiring such Warrants in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act;
 - (C) in the case of transfers from a Holder of Warrants represented by a Regulation S Global Warrant, upon (x) delivery of a duly executed investor representation letter from the relevant transferee in accordance with paragraph (c) below and (y) within the Distribution Compliance Period only, certification (in the form from time to time available from any Warrant Agent) to the Definitive Warrant Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is an AI acquiring such Warrants in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act; and
 - (D) in each case, in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States and any applicable rules and regulations of the New York Warrant Agent, the Definitive Warrant Agent, the relevant Clearing System and/or as specified in the applicable Final Terms.
 - (ii) On the transfer date:
 - (A) in the case of transfers of Warrants represented by a Clearing System Global Warrant, the relevant Clearing System will debit the account of its participant and, in the case of transfers of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, the Holder

must deliver the Private Placement Definitive Warrants the subject of the transfer to the Definitive Warrant Agent and instruct the Definitive Warrant Agent to cancel the transferred Private Placement Definitive Warrants; and

- (B) the relevant Clearing System or the Holder, as the case may be, will instruct the Definitive Warrant Agent to deliver or procure the delivery of new Private Placement Definitive Warrants, of a like number to the number of Warrants transferred, to the transferee at its specified office or send such new Private Placement Definitive Warrants, by uninsured mail, at the risk of the transferee, to such address as the transferee may request.
- (iii) Upon any such transfer, on the transfer date:
- (A) the Principal Warrant Agent will, in the case of transfers of Warrants represented by a Regulation S Global Warrant or a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Common Depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear, decrease the number of Warrants represented by such Regulation S Global Warrant or Rule 144A Global Warrant, if appropriate, whereupon the number of Warrants represented by such Regulation S Global Warrant or Rule 144A Global Warrant shall, if appropriate, be reduced for all purposes by the number so transferred or exchanged and endorsed; or
 - (B) the New York Warrant Agent will, in the case of transfers of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, decrease the number of Warrants represented by such Rule 144A Global Warrant, if appropriate, whereupon the number of Warrants represented by such Rule 144A Global Warrant shall, if appropriate, be decreased for all purposes by the number so transferred and endorsed.
- (c) In the case of transfers of Warrants to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Private Placement Definitive Warrant, the delivery of a duly executed investor representation letter in the form set out in the Agency Agreement (an “**Investor Representation Letter**”) from the relevant transferee to the Definitive Warrant Agent is a condition precedent to the transfer of such Private Placement Definitive Warrant or any beneficial interests therein. The Investor Representation Letter must be duly executed by such proposed transferee or such proposed transferee’s attorney duly authorised in writing, at least three Business Days in New York prior to the date the transfer of such Private Placement Definitive Warrant is desired. Any attempted transfer in which the Investor Representation Letter and the proposed transfer was not effected in accordance with the foregoing procedures shall not be valid or binding on BNPP.

If (i) the Principal Warrant Agent (in relation to Regulation S Global Warrants and Rule 144A Global Warrants held by a Common Depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear) or (ii) the New York Warrant Agent (in relation to Rule 144A Global Warrants held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC) or (iii) the Definitive Warrant Agent (in relation to Private Placement Definitive Warrants) subsequently determines or is subsequently notified by BNPP that (i) a transfer or attempted or purported transfer of any interest in a Private Placement Definitive Warrant was consummated in compliance with the provisions of this paragraph on the basis of an incorrect form or certification from the transferee or purported transferee as set forth in the relevant Investor Representation Letter, or (ii) the Holder of any interest in any Warrant was in breach, at the time given, of any representation or agreement given by such Holder (including, but not limited to, in the case of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, any

such representation or agreement set forth in the relevant Investor Representation Letter) or (iii) a transfer or attempted transfer of any interest in any Warrant was consummated that did not comply with the transfer restrictions set forth in this Condition 1(D), the purported transfer shall be absolutely null and void *ab initio* and shall vest no rights in the purported transferee (such purported transferee, a “**Disqualified Transferee**”) and the last preceding Holder of such interest that was not a Disqualified Transferee shall be restored to all rights as a Holder thereof retroactively to the date of transfer of such interest by such Holder.

(E) *Transfers of Registered Warrants*

Title to the Registered Warrants will pass upon the registration of transfers in accordance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement. A Registered Warrant may be transferred by the transferor or a person duly authorised on behalf of the transferor depositing at the specified office of the Registrar a duly completed transfer certificate (a “**Transfer Certificate**”) in the form set out in the Agency Agreement (copies of which are available from the Registrar) signed by or on behalf of the transferor and upon the Registrar after due and careful enquiry being satisfied with the documents of title and the identity of the person making the request and subject to the regulations set out in Schedule 10 to the Agency Agreement, the Registrar should enter the name of the transferee in the Register for the Registered Warrants as the Holder of the Registered Warrant specified in the form of transfer.

Holders will not be required to bear the costs and expenses of effecting any registration of transfer as provided above, except that the Issuer may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any stamp duty, tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation to the registration or exchange in the jurisdiction of the Issuer or in any other jurisdiction where the Registrar’s specified office is located.

Registered Warrants and interests therein may not be transferred at any time, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to or for the benefit of a U.S. person, and any such transfer shall not be recognized.

2 Status of the Warrants and Guarantee

The Warrants are unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves.

Where the Issuer is BNPP B.V., the relevant Guarantee is an unsubordinated and unsecured obligation of BNPP and will rank *pari passu* with all its other present and future unsubordinated and unsecured obligations subject to such exceptions as may from time to time be mandatory under French law.

3 Guarantee

Where the Issuer is BNPP B.V., subject as provided below and in the relevant Guarantee, BNPP has unconditionally and irrevocably (a) guaranteed to each Holder all obligations of the Issuer in respect of such Holder’s Warrants as and when such obligations become due and (b) agreed that if and each time that the Issuer fails to satisfy any obligations under such Warrants as and when such obligations become due, BNPP will not later than five Paris Business Days (as defined in the relevant Guarantee) after a demand has been made on BNPP pursuant thereto (without requiring the relevant Holder first to take steps against the Issuer or any other person) make or cause to be made such payment or satisfy or cause to be satisfied such obligations as though BNPP were the principal obligor in respect of such obligations provided that (i) in the case of Physical Delivery Warrants that are Call Warrants, notwithstanding that the Issuer had the right to vary settlement in respect of such Physical Delivery Warrants in accordance with Condition 5(D) and exercised such right or failed to exercise such right, BNPP will have the right at its sole and unfettered discretion to

elect not to deliver or procure delivery of the Entitlement to the holders of such Physical Delivery Warrants, but in lieu thereof, to make payment in respect of each such Physical Delivery Warrant of an amount equal to the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount calculated pursuant to the terms of the relevant Final Terms (the “**Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount**”) and (ii) in the case of Warrants where the obligations of the Issuer which fail to be satisfied by BNPP constitute the delivery of the Entitlement to the Holders, BNPP will as soon as practicable following the failure by the Issuer to satisfy its obligations under such Warrants deliver or procure delivery of such Entitlement using the method of delivery specified in the applicable Final Terms provided that, if in the opinion of BNPP, delivery of the Entitlement using such method is not practicable by reason of (x) a Settlement Disruption Event (as defined in Condition 5(C)(2)) or (y) if “Failure to Deliver due to Illiquidity” is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, a Failure to Deliver (as defined in Condition 5(C)(3)), in lieu of such delivery BNPP will make payment in respect of each such Warrant of, in the case of (x) above, the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount or, in the case of (y) above, the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price (as defined in Condition 5(C)(3)). Any payment of the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount or the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price, as the case may be, in respect of a Warrant shall constitute a complete discharge of BNPP’s obligations in respect of such Warrant. Payment of the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount as the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price, as the case may be, will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders no later than 10.00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day following the Actual Exercise Date and in accordance with Condition 11.

4 Definitions

For the purposes of these Terms and Conditions, the following general definitions will apply:

“**Actual Exercise Date**” means the Exercise Date (in the case of European Style Warrants) or, subject to Condition 7(A)(2), the date during the Exercise Period on which the Warrant is actually or is deemed exercised or, if Automatic Exercise is specified in the applicable Final Terms, is automatically exercised (in the case of American Style Warrants (as more fully set out in Condition 5(A)(1)));

“**Affiliate**” means in relation to any entity (the “**First Entity**”), any entity controlled, directly or indirectly, by the First Entity, any entity that controls, directly or indirectly, the First Entity or any entity directly or indirectly under common control with the First Entity. For these purposes control means ownership of a majority of the voting power of an entity;

“**Averaging Date**” means, in respect of an Actual Exercise Date, each date specified as an Averaging Date in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such date is not a Scheduled Trading Day, the immediately following Scheduled Trading Day unless, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent any such day is a Disrupted Day. If any such day is a Disrupted Day, then:

- (a) If “Omission” is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, then such date will be deemed not to be an Averaging Date for the purposes of determining the relevant Settlement Price provided that, if through the operation of this provision no Averaging Date would occur in respect of such Actual Exercise Date, then the provisions of the definition of “Valuation Date” will apply for purposes of determining the relevant level, price or amount on the final Averaging Date with respect to that Actual Exercise Date as if such Averaging Date were a Valuation Date that was a Disrupted Day; or
- (b) if “Postponement” is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, then the provisions of the definition of “Valuation Date” will apply for the purposes of determining the relevant level, price or amount on that Averaging Date as if such Averaging Date were a Valuation Date that was a Disrupted Day irrespective of whether, pursuant to such determination, that deferred Averaging Date would fall on a day that already is or is deemed to be an Averaging Date; or
- (c) if “Modified Postponement” is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms then:

- (i) where the Warrants are Index Warrants relating to a single Index or Share Warrants relating to a single Share, the Averaging Date shall be the first succeeding Valid Date (as defined below). If the first succeeding Valid Date has not occurred as of the Valuation Time on the eighth Scheduled Trading Day immediately following the original date that, but for the occurrence of another Averaging Date or Disrupted Day, would have been the final Averaging Date in respect of such Actual Exercise Date, then (A) that eighth Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Date (irrespective of whether that eighth Scheduled Trading Day is already an Averaging Date), and (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level or price for that Averaging Date in accordance with sub-paragraph (a)(ii) of the definition of “Valuation Date” below;
- (ii) where the Warrants are Index Warrants relating to a basket of Indices or Share Warrants relating to a Basket of Shares, the Averaging Date for each Index or Share not affected by the occurrence of a Disrupted Day shall be the originally designated Averaging Date (the “**Scheduled Averaging Date**”) and the Averaging Date for an Index or Share affected by the occurrence of a Disrupted Day shall be the first succeeding Valid Date (as defined below) in relation to such Index or Share. If the first succeeding Valid Date in relation to such Index or Share has not occurred as of the Valuation Time on the eighth Scheduled Trading Day immediately following the original date that, but for the occurrence of another Averaging Date or Disrupted Day, would have been the final Averaging Date in respect of such Actual Exercise Date, then (A) that eighth Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed the Averaging Date (irrespective of whether that eighth Scheduled Trading Day is already an Averaging Date) in respect of such Index or Share, and (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level, price or amount for that Averaging Date in accordance with sub-paragraph (b)(ii) of the definition of “Valuation Date” below; and
- (iii) where the Warrants are Debt Warrants, Currency Warrants or Commodity Warrants, provisions for determining the Averaging Date in the event of Modified Postponement applying will be set out in the applicable Final Terms,

for the purposes of these Terms and Conditions “**Valid Date**” means a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day and on which another Averaging Date in relation to the Actual Exercise Date does not or is not deemed to occur;

“**Business Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the relevant Business Day Centre(s) and for the purposes of making payments in euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET) System is open and (i) where the Warrants are Clearing System Warrants, a day on which the relevant Clearing System is open for business, (ii) where the Warrants are Private Placement Definitive Warrants, a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in New York or (iii) where the Warrants are Registered Warrants, a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in Tokyo;

“**Cash Settlement Amount**” means, in relation to Cash Settled Warrants, the amount to which the Holder is entitled in the Settlement Currency in relation to each such Warrant or, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Unit, as the case may be, as determined by the Calculation Agent pursuant to Condition 5;

“**Clearing System**” means Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Euroclear and/or Euroclear France and/or DTC and/or any additional or alternative clearing system approved by the Issuer and the relevant Warrant Agent(s) from time to time and specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Disrupted Day**” means any Scheduled Trading Day on which a relevant Exchange or any Related Exchange fails to open for trading during its regular trading session or on which a Market Disruption Event has occurred;

“**Distribution Compliance Period**” means either the period expiring (i) 40 days after completion of the distribution of the relevant Warrants or (ii) such longer period as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**English Law Guarantee**” means a deed of guarantee dated 18 October 2005, executed by BNPP in respect of English Law Warrants issued by BNPP B.V.;

“**English Law Warrants**” means the Warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms as being governed by English law;

“**Entitlement**” means, in relation to a Physical Delivery Warrant or, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Unit, as the case may be, the quantity of the Relevant Asset or the Relevant Assets, as the case may be, which a Holder is entitled to receive on the Settlement Date in respect of each such Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, following payment of the Exercise Price (and any other sums payable) rounded down as provided in Condition 5(C)(1), as determined by the Calculation Agent including any documents evidencing such Entitlement;

“**Exchange**” means:

- (a) in respect of Index Warrants and in relation to an Index each exchange or quotation system specified as such for such Index in the applicable Final Terms, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in the securities/commodities comprising such Index has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to the securities/commodities comprising such Index on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Exchange); and
- (b) in respect of Share Warrants and in relation to a Share, each exchange or quotation system specified as such for such Share in the applicable Final Terms, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in the Share has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to such Share on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Exchange);

“**Exchange Business Day**” means any Scheduled Trading Day on which each Exchange and each Related Exchange are open for trading during their respective regular trading sessions, notwithstanding any such Exchange or Related Exchange closing prior to its Scheduled Closing Time;

“**Exercise Business Day**” means:

- (a) in the case of Cash Settled Warrants, a day that is a Business Day; and
- (b) in the case of Physical Delivery Warrants, a day that is a Business Day and a Scheduled Trading Day;

“**French Law Guarantee**” means the *garantie* dated 18 October 2005, executed by BNPP in respect of French Law Warrants issued by BNPP B.V.;

“**French Law Warrants**” means the Warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms as being governed by French law;

“**Guarantee**” means the English Law Guarantee (in respect of English Law Warrants) or the French Law Guarantee, as the case may be;

“**Local Time**” means local time in the city of the relevant Clearing System;

“**Related Exchange**” means, in respect of Index Warrants and in relation to an Index or in respect of Share Warrants and in relation to a Share, each exchange or quotation system specified as such for such Index or Share in the applicable Final Terms, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in futures or options contracts relating to such Index or Share has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to the futures or options contracts relating to such Index or such Share on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Related Exchange), provided that where “All Exchanges” is specified as the Related Exchange in the applicable Final Terms, “**Related Exchange**” shall mean each exchange or quotation system where trading has a material effect (as determined by the Calculation Agent) on the overall market for futures or options contracts relating to such Index or such Share;

“**Scheduled Closing Time**” means, in respect of an Exchange or Related Exchange and a Scheduled Trading Day, the scheduled weekday closing time of such Exchange or Related Exchange on such Scheduled Trading Day, without regard to after hours or any other trading outside of the regular trading session hours;

“**Scheduled Trading Day**” means any day on which each Exchange and each Related Exchange are scheduled to be open for trading for their respective regular trading sessions;

“**Scheduled Valuation Date**” means any original date that, but for the occurrence of an event causing a Disrupted Day, would have been a Valuation Date;

“**Settlement Date**” means:

(a) in relation to Cash Settled Warrants:

in relation to each Actual Exercise Date, (i) where Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the fifth Business Day following the Valuation Date provided that if the Warrants are Index Warrants relating to a basket of Indices, Share Warrants relating to a basket of Shares, Debt Warrants relating to a Basket of Debt Securities or Commodity Warrants relating to a basket of Commodities and the occurrence of a Disrupted Day has resulted in a Valuation Date for one or more Indices, Shares, Debt Securities or Commodities, as the case may be, being adjusted as set out in the definition of “Valuation Date” below, the Settlement Date shall be the fifth Business Day next following the last occurring Valuation Date in relation to any Index, Share, Debt Security or Commodity, as the case may be, or (ii) where Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the fifth Business Day following the last occurring Averaging Date provided that where the Warrants are Index Warrants relating to a basket of Indices, Share Warrants relating to a basket of Shares, Debt Warrants relating to a basket of Debt Securities or Commodity Warrants relating to a basket of Commodities and the occurrence of a Disrupted Day has resulted in an Averaging Date for one or more Indices, Shares, Debt Securities or Commodities, as the case may be, being adjusted as set out in the definition of “Averaging Date” above, the Settlement Date shall be the fifth Business Day next following the last occurring Averaging Date in relation to any Index, Share, Debt Security or Commodity, as the case may be, or such other date as is specified in the applicable Supplement; and

(b) in relation to Physical Delivery Warrants:

the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Price**” means, in relation to each Cash Settled Warrant or, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Unit, as the case may be:

- (c) in respect of Index Warrants, subject to Condition 16(A) and as referred to in “Valuation Date” below or “Averaging Date” above, as the case may be:
 - (i) in the case of Index Warrants relating to a basket of Indices, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value on the same basis as the Exercise Price) equal to the sum of the values calculated for each Index as the official closing level for each Index as determined by the Calculation Agent or, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, the level of each Index determined by the Calculation Agent as set out in the applicable Final Terms at the Relevant Time on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date and, in either case, without regard to any subsequently published correction, multiplied by the relevant Multiplier; and
 - (ii) in the case of Index Warrants relating to a single Index, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value on the same basis as the Exercise Price) equal to the official closing level of the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent or, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index determined by the Calculation Agent as set out in the applicable Final Terms at the Relevant Time on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date and, in either case, without regard to any subsequently published correction;
- (d) in respect of Share Warrants, subject to Condition 16(B) and as referred to in “Valuation Date” below or “Averaging Date” above, as the case may be:
 - (i) in the case of Share Warrants relating to a basket of Shares, an amount equal to the sum of the values calculated for each Share at the official closing price (or the price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or an Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) quoted on the relevant Exchange for such Share (as defined in Condition 16(B)) on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date and, in either case, without regard to any subsequently published correction (or if in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, any such official closing price (or the price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) cannot be so determined and the Valuation Date or Averaging Date, as the case may be, is not a Disrupted Day, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be equal to the arithmetic mean of the closing fair market buying price (or the fair market buying price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) and the closing fair market selling price (or the fair market selling price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) for the relevant Share whose official closing price (or the price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) cannot be determined based, at the Calculation Agent’s discretion, either on the arithmetic mean of the foregoing prices or middle market quotations provided to it by two or more financial institutions (as selected by the Calculation Agent) engaged in the trading of the relevant Share or on such other factors as the Calculation Agent shall decide), multiplied by the relevant Multiplier, each such value to be converted, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate and the sum of such converted amounts to be the Settlement Price, all as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent; and

- (ii) in the case of Share Warrants relating to a single Share, an amount equal to the official closing price (or the price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or an Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) quoted on the relevant Exchange for such Share (as defined in Condition 16(B)) on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date and, in either case, without regard to any subsequent published correction (or if, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, any such official closing price (or the price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) cannot be so determined and the Valuation Date or Averaging Date, as the case may be, is not a Disrupted Day, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be equal to the arithmetic mean of the closing fair market buying price (or the fair market buying price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) and the closing fair market selling price (or the fair market selling price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) for the Share based, at the Calculation Agent's discretion, either on the arithmetic mean of the foregoing prices or middle market quotations provided to it by two or more financial institutions (as selected by the Calculation Agent) engaged in the trading of the Share or on such other factors as the Calculation Agent shall decide), such amount to be converted, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate and such converted amount to be the Settlement Price, all as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;
- (e) in respect of Debt Warrants, subject as referred to in "Valuation Date" below or "Averaging Date" above:
 - (i) in the case of Debt Warrants relating to a Basket of Debt Securities, an amount equal to the sum of the values calculated for each Debt Security at the bid price for such Debt Security as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent by reference to the bid price for such Debt Security appearing on the Relevant Screen Page at the Relevant Time on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date, or if such price is not available, the arithmetic mean of the bid prices for such Debt Security at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, as received by it from two or more market-makers (as selected by the Calculation Agent) in such Debt Security, such bid prices to be expressed as a percentage of the nominal amount of such Debt Security, multiplied by the relevant Multiplier;
 - (ii) in the case of Debt Warrants relating to a single Debt Security, an amount equal to the bid price for the Debt Security as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent by reference to the bid price for such Debt Security appearing on the Relevant Screen Page at the Relevant Time on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date, or if such price is not available, the arithmetic mean of the bid prices for such Debt Security at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, as received by it from two or more market-makers (as selected by the Calculation Agent) in such Debt Security, such bid prices to be expressed as a percentage of the nominal amount of the Debt Security;
- (f) in respect of Currency Warrants:
 - (i) in the case of Currency Warrants relating to a basket of Subject Currencies, an amount equal to the sum of the values calculated for each Subject Currency at the spot rate of exchange appearing on the Relevant Screen Page at the Relevant Time on (A) if Averaging is not

specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date, for the exchange of such Subject Currency into the Base Currency (expressed as the number of units (or part units) of such Base Currency for which one unit of the Subject Currency can be exchanged) or, if such rate is not available, the arithmetic mean (rounded, if necessary, to four decimal places (with 0.00005 being rounded upwards)) as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent of the bid and offer Subject Currency/Base Currency exchange rates (expressed as aforesaid) at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, of two or more leading dealers (as selected by the Calculation Agent) on a foreign exchange market (as selected by the Calculation Agent), multiplied by the relevant Multiplier; and

(ii) in the case of Currency Warrants relating to a single Subject Currency, an amount equal to the spot rate of exchange appearing on the Relevant Screen Page at the Relevant Time on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date, for the exchange of such Subject Currency into the Base Currency (expressed as the number of units (or part units) of the Base Currency for which one unit of the Subject Currency can be exchanged) or, if such rate is not available, the arithmetic mean (rounded, if necessary, to four decimal places (with 0.00005 being rounded upwards)) as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent of the bid and offer Subject Currency/Base Currency exchange rates (expressed as aforesaid) at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, of two or more leading dealers (as selected by the Calculation Agent) on a foreign exchange market (as selected by the Calculation Agent);

(g) in respect of Commodity Warrants, the provisions relating to the calculation of the Settlement Price will be set out in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Valuation Date**” means the first Scheduled Trading Day following the Actual Exercise Date of the relevant Warrant unless, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, such day is a Disrupted Day. If such day is a Disrupted Day, then:

(a) where the Warrants are Index Warrants relating to a single Index, Share Warrants relating to a single Share, Debt Warrants relating to a single Debt Security or Commodity Warrants relating to a single Commodity, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, unless each of the eight Scheduled Trading Days immediately following the Scheduled Valuation Date is a Disrupted Day. In that case, (i) that eighth Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day, and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Settlement Price in the manner set out in the applicable Final Terms or, if not set out or if not practicable, determine the Settlement Price:

(x) in the case of Index Warrants, by determining the level of the Index as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with (subject to Condition 16(A)(2)) the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day of each security/commodity comprised in the Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day has occurred in respect of the relevant security/commodity on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant security/commodity as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day);
or

- (y) in the case of Share Warrants, Debt Warrants or Commodity Warrants, in accordance with its good faith estimate of the Settlement Price as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day; or
- (b) where the Warrants are Index Warrants relating to a basket of Indices, Share Warrants relating to a basket of Shares, Debt Warrants relating to a basket of Debt Securities or Commodity Warrants relating to a basket of Commodities, the Valuation Date for each Index, Share, Debt Security or Commodity, as the case may be, not affected by the occurrence of a Disrupted Day shall be the Scheduled Valuation Date, and the Valuation Date for each Index, Share, Debt Security or Commodity affected, as the case may be, (each an “**Affected Item**”) by the occurrence of a Disrupted Day shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day relating to the Affected Item unless each of the eight Scheduled Trading Days immediately following the Scheduled Valuation Date is a Disrupted Day relating to the Affected Item. In that case, (i) that eighth Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date for the Affected Item, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day, and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Settlement Price using, in relation to the Affected Item, the level or value as applicable, determined in the manner set out in the applicable Final Terms, and, in the case of a Share, Debt Security or Commodity a price determined in the manner set out in the applicable Final Terms or, if not set out or if not practicable, using:
 - (x) in the case of an Index, the level of that Index as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating that Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day of each security/commodity comprised in that Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day has occurred in respect of the relevant security/commodity on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant security/commodity as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day); or
 - (y) in the case of a Share, Debt Security or Commodity, its good faith estimate of the value for the Affected Item as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day,

and otherwise in accordance with the above provisions; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the Relevant Time specified in the applicable Final Terms or, in the case of Index Warrants or Share Warrants, if no Relevant Time is specified, the Scheduled Closing Time on the relevant Exchange on the relevant Valuation Date or Averaging Date, as the case may be, in relation to each Index or Share to be valued. If the relevant Exchange closes prior to its Scheduled Closing Time and the specified Valuation Time is after the actual closing time for its regular trading session, then the Valuation Time shall be such actual closing time.

5 Exercise Rights

(A) Exercise Period

(1) American Style Warrants

American Style Warrants are exercisable on any Exercise Business Day during the Exercise Period.

Clearing System Warrants

The following provisions apply to Clearing System Warrants held by a Common Depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear and French Law Warrants:

If (i) the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (ii) if the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, any American Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice (as defined below) has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 10.00 a.m., Luxembourg or Brussels time, as appropriate, on the last Exercise Business Day of the Exercise Period (the “**Expiration Date**”), shall become void.

If the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms any such American Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 10.00 a.m., Luxembourg or Brussels time, as appropriate, on the Expiration Date shall be automatically exercised on the Expiration Date and the provisions of Condition 6(H) shall apply.

The Exercise Business Day during the Exercise Period on which an Exercise Notice is delivered prior to 10.00 a.m. (Local Time) to the relevant Clearing System (in the case of English Law Warrants) or to the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law Warrants), and the copy thereof is received by the Principal Warrant Agent or, if the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms and no Exercise Notice has been delivered at or prior to 10.00 a.m. (Local Time) on the Expiration Date, the Expiration Date, is referred to herein as the “**Actual Exercise Date**”. If any Exercise Notice is received by the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder, or if the copy thereof is received by the Principal Warrant Agent, in each case, after 10.00 a.m. (Local Time) on any Exercise Business Day during the Exercise Period, such Exercise Notice will be deemed to have been delivered on the next Exercise Business Day, which Exercise Business Day shall be deemed to be the Actual Exercise Date, provided that any such Warrant in respect of which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6 at or prior to 10.00 a.m. (Local Time) on the Expiration Date shall (i) (x) if the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (y) if the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, become void or (ii), if the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, be automatically exercised on the Expiration Date as provided above.

The following provisions apply to Rule 144A Global Warrants held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC:

If (i) the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (ii) if the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, any American Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Expiration Date, shall become void.

If the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, any such American Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Expiration Date, shall be automatically exercised on the Expiration Date and the provisions of Condition 6(H) shall apply.

The Business Day during the Exercise Period immediately succeeding the Business Day in New York on which an Exercise Notice is received prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, by the New York Warrant Agent with a copy thereof received by the Principal Warrant Agent or, if Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms and no Exercise Notice has been delivered at or prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Expiration Date, the Expiration Date, is referred to herein as the “**Actual Exercise Date**”. If any such Exercise Notice is received by the New York Warrant Agent, or if the copy thereof is received by the Principal Warrant Agent, in each case, after 5.00 p.m. on any Business Day in New York, such Exercise Notice will be deemed to have been delivered on the next Business Day in New York and the Business Day in New York immediately succeeding such next Business Day in New York shall be deemed to be the Actual Exercise Date, provided that any such Warrant in respect of which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Expiration Date shall (i) (x) if the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (y) the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, become void or (ii) if the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, be automatically exercised on the Expiration Date as provided above.

Registered Warrants

If (i) the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (ii) if the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, any American Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 10.00 a.m., Tokyo time, on the Expiration Date, shall become void.

If the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms any such American Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 10.00 a.m., Tokyo time, on the Expiration Date shall be automatically exercised on the Expiration Date and the provisions of Condition 6(H) shall apply.

The Exercise Business Day during the Exercise Period on which an Exercise Notice is delivered prior to 10.00 a.m., Tokyo time, to the Registrar and a copy thereof so received by the Principal Warrant Agent or, if the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms and no Exercise Notice has been delivered at or prior to 10.00 a.m., Tokyo time, on the Expiration Date, the Expiration Date is referred to herein as the “**Actual Exercise Date**”. If any such Exercise Notice is delivered to the Registrar, or if the copy thereof is received by the Principal Warrant Agent, in each case, after 10.00 a.m., Tokyo time, on any Business Day, such Exercise Notice will be deemed to have been delivered on the next Exercise Business Day which next Exercise Business Day shall be deemed to be the Actual Exercise Date, provided that any such Warrant in respect of which no Exercise Notice has been received in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 10.00 a.m., Tokyo time, on the Expiration Date shall (i) if (x) the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (y) the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, become void or (ii) if the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, be automatically exercised on the Expiration Date as provided above.

Private Placement Definitive Warrants

If (i) the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (ii) if the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, in the case of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, any American Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Expiration Date, shall become void.

If the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, any such American Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Expiration Date, shall be automatically exercised on the Expiration Date and the provisions of Condition 6(H) shall apply.

The Business Day during the Exercise Period immediately succeeding the Business Day in New York on which an Exercise Notice is received prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, by the Definitive Warrant Agent with a copy thereof received by the Principal Warrant Agent or if Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms and no Exercise Notice has been delivered at or prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Expiration Date, the Expiration Date, is referred to herein as the “**Actual Exercise Date**”. If any such Exercise Notice is received by the Definitive Warrant Agent, or if the copy thereof is received by the Principal Warrant Agent, in each case, after 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on any Business Day in New York, such Exercise Notice will be deemed to have been delivered on the next Business Day in New York and the Business Day in New York immediately succeeding such next Business Day in New York shall be deemed to be the Actual Exercise Date, provided that any such Warrant in respect of which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Expiration Date shall (i) if (x) the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (y) the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, become void or (ii) if the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, be automatically exercised on the Expiration Date as provided above.

(2) European Style Warrants

European Style Warrants are only exercisable on the Exercise Date.

Clearing System Warrants

The following provisions apply to Clearing System Warrants held by a Common Depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear and French Law Warrants:

If (i) the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (ii) the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, any European Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 10.00 a.m. (Local Time) on the Actual Exercise Date, shall become void.

If the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, any such European Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise

Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 10.00 a.m. (Local Time) on the Actual Exercise Date, shall be automatically exercised on the Actual Exercise Date and the provisions of Condition 6(H) shall apply.

The following provisions apply to Rule 144A Global Warrants held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC:

If (i) the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (ii) the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, any European Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Actual Exercise Date, shall become void.

If the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, any such European Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Actual Exercise Date, shall be automatically exercised on the Actual Exercise Date and the provisions of Condition 6(H) shall apply.

Registered Warrants

If (i) the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (ii) the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, any European Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 10.00 a.m., Tokyo time, on the Actual Exercise Date, shall become void. If the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, any such European Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 10.00 a.m., Tokyo time, on the Actual Exercise Date, shall be automatically exercised on the Actual Exercise Date and the provisions of Condition 6(H) shall apply.

Private Placement Definitive Warrants

If (i) the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (ii) the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, any European Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Actual Exercise Date, shall become void.

If the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, any such European Style Warrant with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Condition 6, at or prior to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Actual Exercise Date, shall be automatically exercised on the Actual Exercise Date and the provisions of Condition 6(H) shall apply.

(B) Cash Settlement

If the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants, each such Warrant or, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Unit entitles its Holder, upon due exercise and subject, in the case of Warrants represented by a Clearing System Global Warrant, other than a Rule 144A Global Warrant, or a Registered Warrant, to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, and, in the case of Warrants

represented by Rule 144A Global Warrants and Private Placement Definitive Warrants, to such certifications as to comply with U.S. Securities laws as BNPP shall require, to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date a Cash Settlement Amount calculated by the Calculation Agent (which shall not be less than zero) equal to:

- (i) where Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (a) if such Warrants are Call Warrants,
(Settlement Price less Exercise Price) multiplied by, in the case of Debt Warrants only, the nominal amount;
 - (b) if such Warrants are Put Warrants,
(Exercise Price less Settlement Price) multiplied by, in the case of Debt Warrants only, the nominal amount; and
 - (c) if such Warrants are not Call Warrants or Put Warrants, settlement will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms;
- (ii) where Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (a) if such Warrants are Call Warrants,
(the arithmetic mean of the Settlement Prices for all the Averaging Dates less Exercise Price) multiplied by, in the case of Debt Warrants only, the nominal amount;
 - (b) if such Warrants are Put Warrants,
(Exercise Price less the arithmetic mean of the Settlement Prices for all the Averaging Dates) multiplied by, in the case of Debt Warrants only, the nominal amount; and
 - (c) if such Warrants are not Call Warrants nor Put Warrants, settlement will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Any amount determined pursuant to the above, if not an amount in the Settlement Currency, will be converted into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate specified in the applicable Final Terms for the purposes of determining the Cash Settlement Amount. The Cash Settlement Amount will be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the relevant Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded upwards, with Warrants exercised at the same time by the same Holder being aggregated for the purpose of determining the aggregate Cash Settlement Amounts payable in respect of such Warrants or Units, as the case may be.

(C) Physical Settlement

(1) Exercise Rights in relation to Physical Delivery Warrants

If the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, each such Warrant or, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Unit, as the case may be, entitles its Holder, upon due exercise and subject, in the case of Warrants, represented by a Clearing System Global Warrant, other than a Rule 144A Global Warrant, or a Registered Warrant, to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, and, in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant or a Private Placement Definitive Warrant, to such certifications as to comply with U.S. Securities laws as BNPP shall require, to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Entitlement subject to payment of the relevant Exercise Price and any other sums payable. The method of delivery of the Entitlement is set out in the applicable Final Terms.

Warrants or Units, as the case may be, exercised at the same time by the same Holder will be aggregated for the purpose of determining the aggregate Entitlements in respect of such Warrants or Units, as the case may be, provided that the aggregate Entitlements in respect of the same Holder will be rounded down to the nearest whole unit of the Relevant Asset or each of the Relevant Assets, as the case may be, in such manner as the Calculation Agent shall determine. Therefore, fractions of the Relevant Asset or of each of the Relevant Assets, as the case may be, will not be delivered and no cash adjustment will be made in respect thereof.

Following exercise of a Share Warrant which is a Physical Delivery Warrant, all dividends on the relevant Shares to be delivered will be payable to the party that would receive such dividend according to market practice for a sale of the Shares executed on the relevant Actual Exercise Date and to be delivered in the same manner as such relevant Shares. Any such dividends to be paid to a Holder will be paid to the account specified by the Holder in the relevant Exercise Notice as referred to in Condition 6(A)(2)(f).

(2) Settlement Disruption

If, following the exercise of Physical Delivery Warrants, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, delivery of the Entitlement using the method of delivery specified in the applicable Final Terms is not practicable by reason of a Settlement Disruption Event (as defined below) having occurred and continuing on any Settlement Date, then such Settlement Date for such Warrants shall be postponed to the first following Settlement Business Day in respect of which there is no such Settlement Disruption Event, provided that the Issuer may elect in its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, by delivering the Entitlement using such other commercially reasonable manner as it may select and in such event the Settlement Date shall be such day as the Issuer deems appropriate in connection with delivery of the Entitlement in such other commercially reasonable manner. For the avoidance of doubt, where a Settlement Disruption Event affects some but not all of the Relevant Assets comprising the Entitlement, the Settlement Date for the Relevant Assets not affected by the Settlement Disruption Event will be the originally designated Settlement Date. In the event that a Settlement Disruption Event will result in the delivery on a Settlement Date of some but not all of the Relevant Assets comprising the Entitlement, the Calculation Agent shall determine in its discretion the appropriate *pro rata* portion of the Exercise Price to be paid by the relevant Holder in respect of that partial settlement. For so long as delivery of the Entitlement is not practicable by reason of a Settlement Disruption Event, then in lieu of physical settlement and notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Issuer may elect in its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, by payment to the relevant Holder of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price (as defined below) on the fifth Business Day following the date that notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11. Payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred. No Holder shall be entitled to any payment in respect of the relevant Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, in the event of any delay in the delivery of the Entitlement due to the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer or Guarantor (if any).

For the purposes hereof:

“**Disruption Cash Settlement Price**” in respect of any relevant Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, shall be the fair market value of such Warrant or Unit, as the case may be (taking into

account, where the Settlement Disruption Event affected some but not all of the Relevant Assets comprising the Entitlement and such non-affected Relevant Assets have been duly delivered as provided above, the value of such Relevant Assets), less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion, plus, if already paid, the Exercise Price (or, where as provided above some Relevant Assets have been delivered, and a *pro rata* portion thereof has been paid, such *pro rata* portion);

“**Settlement Business Day**” in respect of each Warrant, has the meaning specified in the applicable Final Terms relating to such Warrant; and

“**Settlement Disruption Event**” means, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent or, if the proviso to Condition 3(B) applies, BNPP, an event beyond the control of the Issuer or, if the proviso to Condition 3(B) applies, BNPP as a result of which the Issuer or BNPP, as the case may be, cannot make delivery of the Relevant Asset(s) using the method specified in the applicable Final Terms.

(3) Failure to Deliver due to Illiquidity

If “Failure to Deliver due to Illiquidity” is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms and, following the exercise of Physical Delivery Warrants, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, it is impossible or impracticable to deliver, when due, some or all of the Relevant Assets (the “**Affected Relevant Assets**”) comprising the Entitlement, where such failure to deliver is due to illiquidity in the market for the Relevant Assets (a “**Failure to Deliver**”), then:

- (a) subject as provided elsewhere in the Conditions, any Relevant Assets which are not Affected Relevant Assets, will be delivered on the originally designated Settlement Date in accordance with Condition 5(C)(1) and the Calculation Agent shall determine in its discretion the appropriate *pro rata* portion of the Exercise Price to be paid by the relevant Holder in respect of that partial settlement; and
- (b) in respect of any Affected Relevant Assets, in lieu of physical settlement and notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Issuer may elect in its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, by payment to the relevant Holder of the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price on the fifth Business Day following the date that notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11. Payment of the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 that the provisions of this Condition 5(C)(3) apply.

For the purposes hereof:

“**Failure to Deliver Settlement Price**” in respect of any relevant Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, shall be the fair market value of such Warrant or Unit, as the case may be (taking into account, the Relevant Assets comprising the Entitlement which have been duly delivered as provided above), less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion, plus, if already paid, the Exercise Price (or, where as provided above some Relevant Assets have been delivered, and a *pro rata* portion thereof has been paid, such *pro rata* portion).

(D) *Variation of Settlement*

- (i) If the applicable Final Terms indicate that the Issuer has an option to vary settlement in respect of the Warrants, upon a valid exercise of Warrants (which, unless otherwise specified, will not apply to U.S. Warrants) in accordance with these Terms and Conditions, the Issuer may at its sole and unfettered discretion in respect of each such Warrant or, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Unit, elect not to pay the relevant Holders the Cash Settlement Amount or to deliver or procure delivery of the Entitlement to the relevant Holders, as the case may be, but, in lieu thereof to deliver or procure delivery of the Entitlement or make payment of the Cash Settlement Amount on the Settlement Date to the relevant Holders, as the case may be. Notification of such election will be given to Holders in accordance with Condition 11.
- (ii) If specified in the applicable Final Terms, following a valid exercise of Warrants in accordance with these Conditions, the Issuer shall, in respect of each such Warrant or, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Unit, in lieu of delivering or procuring the delivery of the Entitlement to the relevant Holders, make payment of the Cash Settlement Amount on the Settlement Date to the relevant Holders.

(E) *Issuer's Option to Substitute Assets or to pay the Alternate Cash Amount*

Following a valid exercise of Warrants in accordance with these Conditions, the Issuer may, in its sole and absolute discretion in respect of such Warrants, if the Calculation Agent determines (in its sole and absolute discretion) that the Relevant Asset or Relevant Assets, as the case may be, comprises shares which are not freely tradable, elect either (i) to substitute for the Relevant Asset or the Relevant Assets, as the case may be, an equivalent value (as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion) of such other shares which the Calculation Agent determines, in its sole and absolute discretion, are freely tradable (the “**Substitute Asset**” or the “**Substitute Assets**,” as the case may be) or (ii) not to deliver or procure the delivery of the Entitlement or the Substitute Asset or Substitute Assets, as the case may be, to the relevant Holders, but in lieu thereof to make payment to the relevant Holders on the Settlement Date of an amount equal to the fair market value of the Entitlement on the Valuation Date as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion by reference to such sources as it considers appropriate (the “**Alternate Cash Amount**”). Notification of any such election will be given to Holders in accordance with Condition 11.

For purposes hereof, a “**freely tradable**” share shall mean (i) with respect to the United States, a share which is registered under the Securities Act or not restricted under the Securities Act and which is not purchased from the issuer of such share and not purchased from an affiliate of the issuer of such share or which otherwise meets the requirements of a freely tradable share for purposes of the Securities Act, in each case, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or (ii) with respect to any other jurisdiction, a share not subject to any legal restrictions on transfer in such jurisdiction.

(F) *General*

In relation to any Cash Settled Warrants where Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, the expressions “**exercise**”, “**due exercise**” and related expressions shall be construed to apply to any such Cash Settled Warrants which are automatically exercised in accordance with the above provisions.

None of the Issuers, the Guarantor, the Calculation Agent and any Warrant Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Settlement Amount or of any Entitlement.

The purchase of Warrants does not confer on any Holder of such Warrants any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attaching to any Relevant Asset.

All references in this Condition to “Luxembourg or Brussels time” or “New York Time” shall, where Warrants are cleared through an additional or alternative clearing system, be deemed to refer as appropriate to the time in the city where the relevant clearing system is located.

6 Exercise Procedure

(A) *Exercise Notice in respect of Clearing System Warrants*

Subject as provided in Condition 6(H), Warrants represented by a Clearing System Global Warrant held by a Common Depositary on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear, may only be exercised by the delivery, or the sending by tested telex (confirmed in writing), of a duly completed exercise notice (an “**Exercise Notice**”) in the form set out in the Agency Agreement (copies of which form may be obtained from the relevant Clearing System (in the case of English Law Warrants) or the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law Warrants) and the relevant Warrant Agents during normal office hours) to the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder, with a copy to the Principal Warrant Agent in accordance with the provisions set out in Condition 5 and this Condition.

Subject as provided in Condition 6(H), Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC may only be exercised by the delivery through computerised exercise instruction through DTC (via its Deposit and Withdrawal at Custodian, or “DWAC,” function) of a duly completed Exercise Notice in the form set out in the Agency Agreement (copies of which form may be obtained from the relevant Warrant Agents) to the New York Warrant Agent with a copy to the Principal Warrant Agent, in accordance with the provisions set out in Condition 5 and this Condition.

- (1) In the case of Cash Settled Warrants, the Exercise Notice shall:
 - (a) specify the Series number of the Warrants and the number of Warrants being exercised and, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of Units being exercised;
 - (b) specify the number of the Holder’s securities account at the relevant Clearing System (in the case of English Law Warrants) or the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law Warrants) to be debited with the Warrants or, in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, specify the designated account at DTC to be debited with the Warrants being exercised;
 - (c) irrevocably instruct the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to debit on or before the Settlement Date the Holder’s securities account with the Warrants being exercised or, in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, irrevocably instruct the New York Warrant Agent to exercise the Warrants debited to the account of the Holder and credited to the account of the New York Warrant Agent by means of DTC’s DWAWC function;
 - (d) (A) specify the number of the Holder’s account at the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to be credited with the Cash Settlement Amount (if any) for each Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, being exercised or (B) in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on

behalf of DTC, specify the details of the account to be credited with the Cash Settlement Amount (if any) for each Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, being exercised;

- (e) (A) include an undertaking to pay all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including any applicable depository charges, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duty, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with the exercise of such Warrants (“**Exercise Expenses**”), and an authority to the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to deduct an amount in respect thereof from any Cash Settlement Amount due to such Holder and/or to debit a specified account of the Holder at the relevant Clearing System or (B) in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, an authority to the New York Warrant Agent to deduct an amount in respect thereof from any Cash Settlement Amount due to such Holder and to pay such Exercise Expenses and/or to debit a specified account of the Holder or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder in respect thereof and to pay such Exercise Expenses;
- (f) certify, in the case of Warrants represented by a Clearing System Global Warrant other than a Rule 144A Global Warrant or a Private Placement Definitive Warrant, that the beneficial owner of each Warrant being exercised is not a U.S. person (as defined in the Exercise Notice), the Warrant is not being exercised within the United States or on behalf of a U.S. person and no cash has been or will be delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person in connection with any exercise thereof; and, where appropriate, including in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant, undertake to provide such various forms of certification in respect of selling restrictions under the securities, commodities and other laws of the United States of America as indicated and set out in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (g) authorise the production of such certification in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings,

all as provided in the Agency Agreement.

- (2) In the case of Physical Delivery Warrants, the Exercise Notice shall:
 - (a) specify the series number of the Warrants and the number of Warrants being exercised and, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of Units being exercised;
 - (b) specify the number of the Holder’s securities account at the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to be debited with the Warrants being exercised or, in case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, specify the designated account at DTC to be debited with the Warrants being exercised;
 - (c) irrevocably instruct Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to debit on or before the Settlement Date the Holder’s securities account with the Warrants being exercised or Units, as the case may be, being exercised or in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, irrevocably instruct the New York Warrant Agent to exercise the Warrants or Units, as the case may be, debited to the account of the Holder

and credited to the account of the New York Warrant Agent by means of DTC's DWAC function;

- (d) irrevocably instruct the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to debit on the Actual Exercise Date a specified account of the Holder with such Clearing System or Account Holder with the aggregate Exercise Prices in respect of such Warrants or Units, as the case may be, (together with any other amounts payable), or, in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, contain an undertaking to pay BNPP the aggregate Exercise Prices in respect of such Warrants or Units, as the case may be (together with any other amounts payable), to the account of the New York Warrant Agent on the Actual Exercise Date;
- (e) include an undertaking to pay all Exercise Expenses and (A) in the case of Warrants represented by a Clearing System Global Warrant held by a Common Depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear or a French Law Warrant, an authority to the relevant Clearing System to debit a specified account of the Holder at the relevant Clearing System in respect thereof and to pay such Exercise Expenses, or (B) in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, an authority to the New York Warrant Agent to debit a specified account of the Holder or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder in respect thereof and to pay such Exercise Expenses;
- (f) (A) include such details as are required by the applicable Final Terms for delivery of the Entitlement which may include account details and/or the name and address of any person(s) into whose name evidence of the Entitlement is to be registered and/or any bank, broker or agent to whom documents evidencing the Entitlement are to be delivered and specify the name and the number of the Holder's account with the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to be credited with any cash payable by the Issuer, either in respect of any cash amount constituting the Entitlement or any dividends relating to the Entitlement or as a result of the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event or a Failure to Deliver and the Issuer electing to pay the Disruption Cash Settlement Price or Failure to Deliver Cash Settlement Price, as applicable, or as a result of the Issuer electing to pay the Alternate Cash Amount, or (B) in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, specify the details of the account to be credited with any cash payable by BNPP, either in respect of any cash amount constituting the Entitlement or any dividends relating to the Entitlement or as a result of the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event or Failure to Deliver and BNPP electing to pay the Disruption Cash Settlement Price or Failure to Deliver Settlement Price, as applicable, or as a result of BNPP electing to pay the Alternate Cash Amount;
- (g) in the case of Currency Warrants only, specify the number of the Holder's account at the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to be credited with the amount due upon exercise of the Warrants or Units, as the case may be, or in the case of Currency Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, specify the designated account at DTC to credited with the amount due upon exercise of the Warrants or Units, as the case may be;

- (h) certify, in the case of Warrants represented by a Clearing System Global Warrant other than a Rule 144A Global Warrant or a Private Placement Definitive Warrant, that the beneficial owner of each Warrant being exercised is not a U.S. person (as defined in the Exercise Notice), the Warrant is not being exercised within the United States or on behalf of a U.S. person and no cash, securities or other property has been or will be delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person in connection with any exercise thereof and, where appropriate, including, in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant, undertake to provide such various forms of certification in respect of selling restrictions under the securities, commodities and other laws of the United States of America as indicated and set out in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (i) authorise the production of such certification in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings,

all as provided in the Agency Agreement.

- (3) If Condition 5(D)(i) applies, the form of Exercise Notice required to be delivered will be different from that set out above. Copies of such Exercise Notice may be obtained from the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder and the Warrant Agents during normal office hours.

If Condition 5(D)(ii) applies, unless the applicable Final Terms specifies otherwise, Holders will be required to deliver an Exercise Notice specifying appropriate information relating to the settlement of Cash Settled Warrants.

(B) Exercise Notice in respect of Private Placement Definitive Warrants

Warrants may only be exercised by the delivery in writing of a duly completed exercise notice (an “**Exercise Notice**”) in the form set out in the Agency Agreement (copies of which form may be obtained from the relevant Warrant Agents during normal office hours) to the Definitive Warrant Agent with a copy to the Principal Warrant Agent in accordance with the provisions set out in Condition 5 and this Condition.

- (1) In the case of Cash Settled Warrants, the Exercise Notice shall:
 - (a) specify the series number of the Warrants and the number of Warrants being exercised and, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of Units being exercised;
 - (b) irrevocably instruct the Definitive Warrant Agent to remove from the Private Placement Register on or before the Settlement Date the Warrants being exercised;
 - (c) specify the details of the account to be credited with the Cash Settlement Amount (if any) for each Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, being exercised;
 - (d) include an undertaking to pay all Exercise Expenses and an authority to the Definitive Warrant Agent to deduct an amount in respect thereof from any Cash Settlement Amount due to such Holder and/or to debit a specified account of the Holder in respect thereof;
 - (e) include an undertaking to provide such various forms of certification in respect of selling restrictions under the securities, commodities and other laws of the United States of America as indicated and set out in the applicable Final Terms; and

- (f) authorise the production of such certification in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings,

all as provided in the Agency Agreement.

(2) In the case of Physical Delivery Warrants, the Exercise Notice shall:

- (a) specify the series number of the Warrants and the number of Warrants being exercised and, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of Units being exercised;
- (b) irrevocably instruct the Registrar to remove from the Register on or before the Settlement Date the Warrants being exercised;
- (c) include an undertaking to pay BNPP the aggregate Exercise Prices in respect of such Warrant, or Units, as the case may be (together with any other amount payable), to the account of the Definitive Warrant Agent on the Actual Exercise Date;
- (d) include an undertaking to pay all Exercise Expenses and an authority to the Definitive Warrant Agent to deduct an amount in respect thereof from any Cash Settlement Amount due to such Holder and/or to debit a specified account of the Holder in respect thereof;
- (e) include such details as are required by the applicable Final Terms for delivery of the Entitlement which may include account details and/or the name and address of any person(s) into whose name evidence of the Entitlement is to be registered and/or any bank, broker or agent to whom documents evidencing the Entitlement are to be delivered and specify the account to be credited with any cash payable by BNPP, either in respect of any cash amount constituting the Entitlement or any dividends relating to the Entitlement or as a result of the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event or a Failure to Deliver and BNPP electing to pay the Disruption Cash Settlement Price or Failure to Deliver Cash Settlement Price, as applicable, or as a result of BNPP electing to pay the Alternate Cash Amount;
- (f) in the case of Currency Warrants only, specify the details of the account to be credited with the amount due upon exercise of the Warrants;
- (g) include an undertaking to provide such various forms of certification in respect of selling restrictions under the securities, commodities and other laws of the United States of America as indicated and set out in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (h) authorise the production of such certification in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings,

all as provided in the Agency Agreement.

(3) If Condition 5(D)(i) applies, the form of Exercise Notice required to be delivered will be different from that set out above. Copies of such Exercise Notice may be obtained from the Definitive Warrant Agent.

(C) Exercise Notice in respect of Registered Warrants

The following provisions apply to Registered Warrants:

Warrants may only be exercised by the delivery in writing of a duly completed exercise notice (an “**Exercise Notice**”) in the form set out in the Agency Agreement (copies of which form may be

obtained from the Registrar) to the Registrar with a copy to the Principal Warrant Agent in accordance with the provisions set out in Condition 5 and this Condition.

- (1) In the case of Cash Settled Warrants, the Exercise Notice shall:
 - (a) specify the series number of the Warrants and the number of Warrants being exercised and, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of Units being exercised;
 - (b) irrevocably instruct the Registrar to remove from the Register on or before the Settlement Date the Warrants being exercised;
 - (c) specify the details of the account to be credited with the Cash Settlement Amount (if any) for each Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, being exercised;
 - (d) include an undertaking to pay all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including any applicable depository charges, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duty, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with the exercise of such Warrants (“**Exercise Expenses**”) and an authority to the Registrar to deduct an amount in respect thereof from any Cash Settlement Amount due to such Holder;
 - (e) certify, *inter alia*, that the beneficial owner of each Warrant being exercised is not a U.S. person (as defined in the Exercise Notice), the Warrant is not being exercised within the United States or on behalf of a U.S. person and no cash has been or will be delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person in connection with any exercise thereof; and
 - (f) authorise the production of such certification in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings,

all as provided in the Agency Agreement.

- (2) In the case of Physical Delivery Warrants, the Exercise Notice shall:
 - (a) specify the series number of the Warrants and the number of Warrants being exercised and, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of Units being exercised;
 - (b) irrevocably instruct the Registrar to remove from the Register on or before the Settlement Date the Warrants being exercised;
 - (c) include an undertaking to pay to the Issuer the aggregate Exercise Prices in respect of such Warrants or Units, as the case may be, (together with any other amounts payable);
 - (d) include an undertaking to pay all Exercise Expenses;
 - (e) include such details as are required by the applicable Final Terms for delivery of the Entitlement which may include account details and/or the name and address of any person(s) into whose name evidence of the Entitlement is to be registered and/or any bank, broker or agent to whom documents evidencing the Entitlement are to be delivered and specify the account to be credited with any cash payable by the Issuer, either in respect of any cash amount constituting the Entitlement or any dividends relating to the Entitlement or as a result of the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event or a Failure to Deliver and the Issuer electing to pay the Disruption Cash Settlement Price or Failure

to Deliver Cash Settlement Price, as applicable, or as a result of the Issuer electing to pay the Alternate Cash Amount;

- (f) in the case of Currency Warrants only, specify the details of the account to be credited with the amount due upon exercise of the Warrants;
- (g) certify, inter alia, that the beneficial owner of each Warrant being exercised is not a U.S. person (as defined in the Exercise Notice), the Warrant is not being exercised within the United States or on behalf of a U.S. person and no cash, securities or other property have been or will be delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person in connection with any exercise thereof; and
- (h) authorise the production of such certification in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings,

all as provided in the Agency Agreement.

- (3) If Condition 5(D)(i) applies, the form of Exercise Notice required to be delivered will be different from that set out above. Copies of such Exercise Notice may be obtained from the Registrar.

(D) *Verification of the Holder*

In the case of Clearing System Warrants (other than Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC), upon receipt of an Exercise Notice, the relevant Clearing System (in the case of English Law Warrants) or the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law Warrants) shall verify that the person exercising the Warrants is the holder thereof according to the books of such Clearing System (in the case of English Law Warrants) or in the accounts of the relevant Account Holders (in the case of French Law Warrants). Subject thereto, the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder will confirm to the Principal Warrant Agent the series number and the number of Warrants being exercised and the account details, if applicable, for the payment of the Cash Settlement Amount or, as the case may be, the details for the delivery of the Entitlement of each Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, being exercised. Upon receipt of such confirmation, the Principal Warrant Agent will inform the Issuer thereof. The relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder will on or before the Settlement Date debit the securities account of the relevant Holder with the Warrants being exercised. If the Warrants are American Style Warrants, upon exercise of less than all the English Law Warrants constituted by the Clearing System Global Warrant, the Common Depositary will, on the instructions of, and on behalf of the Principal Warrant Agent, note such exercise on the Schedule to such Clearing System Global Warrant and the number of Warrants so constituted shall be reduced by the cancellation *pro tanto* of the Warrants so exercised.

In the case of Registered Warrants, upon receipt of an Exercise Notice, the Registrar shall verify that the person exercising the Warrants is the Holder according to the Register. Subject thereto, the Registrar shall confirm to the Issuer and the Agent the series number and the number of Warrants being exercised and the account details, if applicable, for the payment of the Cash Settlement Amount or, as the case may be, the details for delivery of the Entitlement of each Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, being exercised. The Registrar will on or before the Settlement Date remove from the Register the Warrants being exercised. If the Warrants are American Style Warrants, upon exercise of less than all the Warrants constituted by the Registered Global Warrant, the Registrar will note such exercise on the Schedule to the Registered Global Warrant and the number of Warrants so constituted shall be reduced by the cancellation *pro tanto* of the Warrants so exercised.

In the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, upon receipt of an Exercise Notice, the New York Warrant Agent shall verify that the person exercising the Warrants is the Holder according to the records of DTC. Subject thereto, the New York Warrant Agent shall notify BNPP of the number of Warrants being exercised and the account details, if applicable, for the payment of the Cash Settlement Amount or, as the case may be, the details for delivery of the Entitlement in respect of each Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, being exercised. If the Warrants are American Style Warrants, upon exercise of less than all the Warrants constituted by the Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, the New York Warrant Agent will note such exercise on the Schedule to such Rule 144A Global Warrant and the number of Warrants so constituted shall be reduced by the cancellation pro tanto of the Warrants so exercised.

In the case of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, upon receipt of an Exercise Notice, the Definitive Warrant Agent shall verify that the person exercising the Warrants is the Holder according to the Private Placement Register. Subject thereto, the Definitive Warrant Agent shall notify BNPP of the number of Warrants being exercised and the account details, if applicable, for the payment of the Cash Settlement Amount, or, as the case may be, the details for delivery of the Entitlement in respect of each Warrant or Unit being exercised. If the Warrants are American Style Warrants, upon exercise of less than all the Warrants constituted by such Private Placement Definitive Warrant, the Holder will surrender such Private Placement Definitive Warrant and BNPP shall execute and the Definitive Warrant Agent shall authenticate and make available for delivery to the Holder a new Private Placement Definitive Warrant, in an amount equal to, and in exchange for, the unexercised portion of the Private Placement Definitive Warrant being surrendered.

(E) Settlement

(1) Cash Settled Warrants

The Issuer shall on the Settlement Date pay or cause to be paid the Cash Settlement Amount (if any) for each duly exercised Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, to the Holder's account specified in the relevant Exercise Notice for value on the Settlement Date less any Exercise Expenses.

(2) Physical Delivery Warrants

Subject to payment of the aggregate Exercise Prices and payment of any Exercise Expenses with regard to the relevant Warrants or Units, as the case may be, the Issuer shall on the Settlement Date deliver, or procure the delivery of, the Entitlement for each duly exercised Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, pursuant to the details specified in the Exercise Notice. Subject as provided in Condition 5(C), the Entitlement shall be delivered and evidenced in such manner as set out in the applicable Final Terms.

(F) Determinations

Any determination as to whether an Exercise Notice is duly completed and in proper form shall be made (i) in the case of Clearing System Warrants (other than Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC), the relevant Clearing System, (in the case of English Law Warrants) or the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law Warrants) or (ii) in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, the New York Warrant Agent, (iii) in the case of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, the Definitive Warrant Agent or, (iv) in the case of Registered Warrants, the Registrar, in each case, in consultation with the Principal Warrant Agent, and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, the Warrant Agents and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Exercise

Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Warrant Agent immediately after being delivered or sent to the relevant Clearing System, the New York Warrant Agent or the Definitive Warrant Agent, as the case may be, or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder as provided in paragraph (A) above or the Registrar as provided in paragraph (B) above, as the case may be, shall be null and void.

If such Exercise Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the relevant Clearing System, the New York Warrant Agent, the Definitive Warrant Agent the relevant Account Holder or the Registrar, as the case may be, in consultation with the Principal Warrant Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Exercise Notice submitted at the time such correction was delivered to the relevant Clearing System, the New York Warrant Agent, the Definitive Warrant Agent, the relevant Account Holder or the Registrar, as the case may be, and the Principal Warrant Agent.

If (i) the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants and Automatic Exercise is not specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms or (ii) the Warrants are Physical Delivery Warrants, any Warrant with respect to which the Exercise Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the cut-off time specified in Condition 5(A)(1), in the case of American Style Warrants, or Condition 5(A)(2), in the case of European Style Warrants, shall become void.

The relevant Clearing System, the New York Warrant Agent, the Definitive Warrant Agent (in the case of English Law Warrants) or the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law Warrants) or the Registrar, as the case may be, shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the Holder submitting an Exercise Notice if, in consultation with the Principal Warrant Agent, it has determined that such Exercise Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, the Warrant Agents, the Registrar or the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

(G) Delivery of an Exercise Notice

Delivery of an Exercise Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Warrants specified. After the delivery of such Exercise Notice, such exercising Holder may not transfer such Warrants.

(H) Automatic Exercise

This paragraph only applies if the Warrants are Cash Settled Warrants, Automatic Exercise is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms and Warrants are automatically exercised as provided in Condition 5(A)(1) or Condition 5(A)(2).

In order to receive the Cash Settlement Amount in respect of a Warrant, or if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, a Unit, as the case may be, the relevant Holder must (A) in the case of Clearing System Warrants (other than Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC), deliver or send by tested telex (confirmed in writing) a duly completed Exercise Notice to the relevant Clearing System (in the case of English Law Warrants) or the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law Warrants), with a copy to the Principal Warrant Agent on any Business Day until not later than 10.00 a.m., Luxembourg or Brussels time (as appropriate), on the day (the “**Cut-off Date**”) falling 180 days after (i) the Expiration Date, in the case of American Style Warrants or (ii) the Actual Exercise Date, in the case of European Style Warrants or (B) (x) in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, deliver

through computerised exercise instruction through DTC (via its “**DWAC**” function) a duly completed Exercise Notice to the New York Warrant Agent with a copy to the Principal Warrant Agent or (y) in the case of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, deliver a duly completed Exercise Notice together with the relevant Private Placement Definitive Warrants, deliver a duly completed Exercise Notice together with the relevant Private Placement Definitive Warrants to the Definitive Warrant Agent with a copy to the Principal Warrant Agent, on any Business Day in New York until not later than 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Cut-off Date (as defined above) or (C) in the case of Registered Warrants, deliver in writing a duly completed Exercise Notice to the Registrar with a copy to the Principal Warrant Agent, on any Business Day until not later than 10.00 a.m., Tokyo time, on the Cut-off Date (as defined above). The Exercise Notice shall include the applicable information set out in the Exercise Notice referred to in Condition 6(A)(1), Condition 6(A)(2), Condition 6(A)(3), Condition 6(B)(1), Condition 6(B)(2), Condition 6(B)(3), Condition 6(C)(1), Condition 6(C)(2) or Condition 6(C)(3), as applicable. The Business Day during the period from the Expiration Date or the Actual Exercise Date, as the case may be, until the Cut-off Date on which an Exercise Notice is delivered to the relevant Clearing System, the New York Warrant Agent, the Definitive Warrant Agent or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder, or (b) in the case of Registered Warrants, the Registrar, as the case may be, and a copy thereof delivered to the Principal Warrant Agent is referred to in this Condition 6(H) as the “**Exercise Notice Delivery Date**”, provided that, (i) in the case of Clearing System Warrants (other than Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC), if the Exercise Notice is received by the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder or if the copy thereof is received by the Principal Warrant Agent, in each case, after 10.00 a.m., Luxembourg or Brussels time (as appropriate) on any Business Day, such Exercise Notice shall be deemed to have been delivered on the next Business Day, which Business Day shall be deemed to be the Exercise Notice Delivery Date (ii) in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, if the Exercise Notice is received by the New York Warrant Agent or the copy thereof is received by the Principal Warrant Agent, in each case, after 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on any Business Day in New York, such Exercise Notice shall be deemed to have been delivered on the next Business Day in New York, and the Business Day in New York immediately succeeding such next Business Day in New York shall be deemed to be the Exercise Notice Delivery Date, (iii) in the case of Private Placement Definitive Warrants, if the Exercise Notice is received by the Definitive Warrant Agent or the copy thereof received by the Principal Warrant Agent after 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on any Business Day in New York, such Exercise Notice shall be deemed to have been delivered on the next Business Day in New York, and the Business Day in New York immediately succeeding such next Business Day in New York shall be deemed to be the Exercise Notice Delivery Date and (iv) in the case of Registered Warrants, if the Exercise Notice is received by the Registrar or the copy thereof received by the Principal Warrant Agent after 10.00 a.m., Tokyo time, on any Business Day, such Exercise Notice shall be deemed to have been delivered on the next Business Day, which Business Day shall be deemed to be the Exercise Notice Delivery Date.

Subject to the relevant Holder performing its obligations in respect of the relevant Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, in accordance with these Conditions, the Settlement Date for such Warrants or Units, as the case may be, shall be the fifth Business Day following the Exercise Notice Delivery Date. In the event that a Holder does not so deliver an Exercise Notice in accordance with this Condition 6(H) prior to (i) in the case of Clearing System Warrants (other than Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC), 10:00 a.m. (Local Time) on the Cut-off Date, (ii) in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC or Private Placement Definitive Warrants, 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day in New York immediately preceding the Cut-off Date or (iii) in the case of Registered Warrants, 10.00

a.m., Tokyo time, on the Cut-off Date, the Issuer's obligations in respect of such Warrants shall be discharged and no further liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer or the Guarantor, if any. For the avoidance of doubt, a Holder shall not be entitled to any payment, whether of interest or otherwise, in respect of the period from the Actual Exercise Date to the Settlement Date.

(I) *Exercise Risk*

Exercise of the Warrants is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force on the relevant Exercise Date and none of the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, the Registrar or the Warrant Agents shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. None of the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, or the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Warrants.

7 **Minimum and Maximum Number of Warrants Exercisable**

(A) *American Style Warrants*

This paragraph (A) applies only to American Style Warrants.

- (1) The number of Warrants exercisable by any Holder on any Actual Exercise Date or, in the case of Automatic Exercise, the number of Warrants held by any Holder on any Actual Exercise Date, in each case as determined by the Issuer, must not be less than the Minimum Exercise Number specified in the applicable Final Terms and, if specified in the applicable Final Terms, if a number greater than the Minimum Exercise Number, must be an integral multiple of the number specified in the applicable Final Terms. Any Exercise Notice which purports to exercise Warrants in breach of this provision shall be void and of no effect.
- (2) If the Issuer determines that the number of Warrants being exercised on any Actual Exercise Date by any Holder or a group of Holders (whether or not acting in concert) exceeds the Maximum Exercise Number (a number equal to the Maximum Exercise Number being the "Quota"), the Issuer may deem the Actual Exercise Date for the first Quota of such Warrants, selected at the discretion of the Issuer, to be such day and the Actual Exercise Date for each additional Quota of such Warrants (and any remaining number thereof) to be each of the succeeding Exercise Business Days until all such Warrants have been attributed with an Actual Exercise Date, provided, however, that the deemed Actual Exercise Date for any such Warrants which would thereby fall after the Expiration Date shall fall on the Expiration Date. In any case where more than the Quota of Warrants are exercised on the same day by Holder(s), the order of settlement in respect of such Warrants shall be at the sole discretion of the Issuer.

(B) *European Style Warrants*

This paragraph (B) applies only to European Style Warrants.

The number of Warrants exercisable by any Holder on the Exercise Date, as determined by the Issuer, must be equal to the Minimum Exercise Number specified in the applicable Final Terms and, if specified in the applicable Final Terms, if a number greater than the Minimum Exercise Number, must be an integral multiple of the number specified in the applicable Final Terms. Any Exercise Notice which purports to exercise Warrants in breach of this provision shall be void and of no effect.

8 Illegality

If the Issuer determines that the performance of its obligations under the Warrants has become illegal in whole or in part for any reason, the Issuer may cancel the Warrants by giving notice to Holders in accordance with Condition 11.

Should any one or more of the provisions contained in these Terms and Conditions be or become invalid, the validity of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected thereby.

If the Issuer cancels the Warrants then the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Warrant or, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Unit, as the case may be, held by such Holder, which amount shall be the fair market value of a Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, notwithstanding such illegality less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements plus, if already paid by or on behalf of the Holder, the Exercise Price, all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11.

9 Purchases

The Issuer may, but is not obliged to, at any time purchase Warrants at any price in the open market or by tender or private treaty. Any Warrants so purchased may be held or resold or surrendered for cancellation; provided, however, that Warrants so purchased may only be resold to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A, Regulation S, or otherwise thereunder.

10 Warrant Agents, Registrar, Determinations and Modifications

(A) Warrant Agents and Registrar

The specified office of each of the Warrant Agents Agent and the Registrar is as set out at the end of these Terms and Conditions.

Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor, if any, reserves the right at any time to vary or terminate the appointment of any Warrant Agent or the Registrar and to appoint further or additional Warrant Agents or a further or additional Registrar, provided that no termination of appointment of the Warrant Agent or the Registrar, as the case may be, shall become effective until a replacement Warrant Agent or a replacement Registrar, as the case may be, shall have been appointed and provided that, so long as any of the Warrants are listed on a stock exchange, there shall be a Warrant Agent having a specified office in each location required by the rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange and, if the Warrants are Registered Warrants, there shall be a Registrar. So long as any of the Warrants are Private Placement Definitive Warrants, there shall be a Definitive Warrant Agent, and so long as any of the Warrants are represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, there shall be a New York Warrant Agent. Notice of any termination of appointment and of any changes in the specified office of any of the Warrant Agents or the Registrar will be given to Holders in accordance with Condition 11. In acting under the Agency Agreement, the Agent and the Registrar act solely as agents of the Issuer and the Guarantor, if any, and do not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders and any determinations and calculations made in respect of the Warrants by the Warrant Agent or the Registrar shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, and the Holders.

(B) Calculation Agent

In relation to each issue of Warrants, the Calculation Agent (whether it be BNP Paribas, BNP Paribas Arbitrage SNC or another entity) acts solely as agent of the Issuer and the Guarantor, if any, and does

not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders. All calculations and determinations made in respect of the Warrants by the Calculation Agent shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor and the Holders, if any, and the Holders. Because the Calculation Agent may be an affiliate of the Issuers, potential conflicts of interest may exist between the Calculation Agent and the Holders, including with respect to certain determinations and judgments that the Calculation Agent must make. See “Risk Factors — Potential Conflicts of Interest” in the Base Prospectus for further information.

The Calculation Agent may, with the consent of the Issuer, delegate any of its obligations and functions to a third party as it deems appropriate.

(C) Determinations by the Issuer or the Guarantor

Any determination made by the Issuer or the Guarantor, if any, pursuant to these Terms and Conditions shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor and the Holders.

(D) Modifications

The Issuer may modify these Terms and Conditions and/or the Agency Agreement without the consent of the Holders in any manner which the Issuer may deem necessary or desirable provided that such modification is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Holders or such modification is of a formal, minor or technical nature or to correct a manifest or proven error or to cure, correct or supplement any defective provision contained herein and/or therein. Notice of any such modification will be given to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 but failure to give, or non-receipt of, such notice will not affect the validity of any such modification.

11 Notices

All notices to Holders shall be valid if (i) (a) in the case of Clearing System Warrants (other than Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC), delivered to the relevant Clearing System, (in the case of English Law Warrants) or the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law Warrants) for communication by them to the Holders, (b) in the case of Warrants represented by a Rule 144A Global Warrant held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, to DTC, in each case for communication by it to the Holders and any such notices shall be conclusively presumed to have been received by the Holders, (c) in the case of Warrants represented by Private Placement Definitive Warrants, mailed to their registered addresses appearing in the Private Placement Register, or (d) in the case of Registered Warrants, mailed to their registered addresses appearing in the Register and (ii) for so long as the Warrants are listed on a stock exchange, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange. If the Warrants are listed and admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, and so long as the rules of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange so require, notices shall be published in a daily newspaper with general circulation in Luxembourg which is expected to be *d’Wort* or notices shall be made available on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (“www.bourse.lu”). Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given on the second Business Day following such delivery or, if earlier, the date of such publication or, if published more than once, on the date of the first such publication.

12 Expenses and Taxation

- (A) A Holder of Warrants must pay all Exercise Expenses relating to such Warrants as provided above.
- (B) The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty, withholding or other payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer, exercise or enforcement of any Warrant

and all payments made by the Issuer shall be made subject to any such tax, duty, withholding or other payment which may be required to be made, paid, withheld or deducted.

13 Further Issues

The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of Holders to create and issue further Warrants so as to be consolidated with and form a single series with the outstanding Warrants.

14 Substitution of the Issuer or the Guarantor

- (A) Except in the case of U.S. Warrants, the Issuer, or any previous substituted company may, at any time, without the consent of the Holders, substitute for itself as principal obligor under the Warrants any company (the “Substitute”), being the Issuer or any other company, subject to:
- (i) where the Substitute is not BNPP, BNPP unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteeing in favour of each Holder the performance of all obligations of the Substitute under the Warrants;
 - (ii) all actions, conditions and things required to be taken, fulfilled and done to ensure that the Warrants represent legal, valid and binding obligations of the Substitute having been taken, fulfilled and done and are in full force and effect;
 - (iii) the Substitute becoming party to the Agency Agreement, (unless the Substitute is a party to the Agency Agreement) with any appropriate consequential amendments, as if it had been an original party to it;
 - (iv) each stock exchange on which the Warrants are listed shall have confirmed that, following the proposed substitution of the Substitute, the Warrants will continue to be listed on such stock exchange;
 - (v) if appropriate, the Substitute shall have appointed a process agent as its agent in England (in the case of English Law Warrants) or France (in the case of French Law Warrants) to receive service of process on its behalf in relation to any legal action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Warrants; and
 - (vi) the Issuer shall have given at least 30 days’ prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11.
- (B) Where the Issuer is BNPP B.V., BNPP or any previous substituted company may, at any time, without the consent of the Holders, substitute for itself as guarantor in respect of the Warrants any company (the “Substitute Guarantor”), being BNPP or any other company, subject to:
- (i) the creditworthiness of the Substitute Guarantor at such time being at least equal to the creditworthiness of BNPP (or of any previous substitute under this Condition), as determined in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent by reference to, *inter alia*, the long-term senior debt ratings (if any) assigned by Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw Hill Companies, Inc. and/or Moody’s Investors Service Limited and/or Fitch Ratings Limited, or any successor rating agency or agencies thereto, to the Substitute Guarantor or, as the case may be, to BNPP (or to any previous substitute under this Condition);
 - (ii) the Substitute Guarantor having entered into a guarantee (the “Substitute Guarantee”) in respect of the Warrants in substantially the same form as the Guarantee and such other documents (if any) as may be necessary to give full effect to the substitution (the “Documents”) and (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) pursuant to which the Substitute Guarantor shall undertake in favour of each Holder to be bound by these Terms and Conditions and the

provisions of the Agency Agreement as fully as if the Substitute Guarantor had been named in these Terms and Conditions, the Documents and the Agency Agreement as the Guarantor in respect of the Warrants in place of BNPP (or of any previous substitute under this Condition);

- (iii) the Substitute Guarantee and the Documents having been delivered to BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch to be held by BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch for so long as any Warrants remain outstanding and for so long as any claim made against the Substitute Guarantor or the Issuer by any Holder in relation to the Warrants, the Substitute Guarantee or the Documents shall not have been finally adjudicated, settled or discharged;
- (iv) each stock exchange on which the Warrants are listed having confirmed that following the proposed substitution of the Substitute Guarantor it will continue to list the Warrants;
- (v) if appropriate, the Substitute Guarantor having appointed a process agent as its agent in England (in the case of English Law Warrants) or France (in the case of French Law Warrants) to receive service of process on its behalf in relation to any legal action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Warrants or the Substitute Guarantee; and
- (vi) BNPP (or any previous substitute under this Condition) having given at least 30 days' prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11.

15 Governing Law

(A) *English Law Warrants*

- (i) The English Law Warrants, the English Law Agency Agreement and the English Law Guarantee are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law.
- (ii) This Condition is for the benefit of the Holders of English Law Warrants only. Subject as provided below, the courts of England shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle all disputes that may, directly or indirectly, arise out of or in connection with the English Law Warrants and the English Law Guarantee and consequently each of the Issuer and the Guarantor submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts to hear all suits, actions or proceedings (together hereafter termed the “**Proceedings**”) relating to such dispute. Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor waives any objection to the courts of England on the grounds that they are an inconvenient or inappropriate forum. Nothing in this clause shall limit the right of the Holders to take any Proceedings against the Issuer and/or the Guarantor in any other court of competent jurisdiction and concurrent Proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.
- (iii) Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor hereby appoints BNP Paribas, London branch at its registered office at 10 Harewood Avenue, London NW1 6AA, as its agent in England to receive service of process in any Proceeding in England relating to the English Law Warrants and the Guarantee, as the case may be. If for any reason such process agent ceases to act as such or no longer has an address in England, each of the Issuer and the Guarantor agrees to appoint a substitute process agent and to notify the Holders of English Law Warrants of such appointment. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

(B) *French Law Warrants*

- (i) The French Law Warrants and the French Law Guarantee are governed by, and construed in accordance with, French law, and any action or proceeding in relation thereto (“**Proceedings**”)

shall be submitted to the jurisdiction of the competent courts within the jurisdiction of the Paris Court of Appeals (*Cour d'Appel de Paris*). Nothing in this clause shall limit the right of the Holders to take any Proceedings against the Issuer and/or the Guarantor in any other court of competent jurisdiction and concurrent Proceedings in any number of jurisdictions. BNPP B.V. elects domicile at the registered office of BNP Paribas currently located at 16 boulevard des Italiens, 75009 Paris.

16 Terms for Index Warrants, Share Warrants, Debt Warrants and Commodity Warrants

(A) *Index Warrants*

For the purposes of this Condition 16(A):

“**Indices**” and “**Index**” mean, subject to adjustment in accordance with this Condition 16(A), the indices or index specified in the applicable Final Terms and related expressions shall be construed accordingly; and

“**Index Sponsor**” means, in relation to an Index, the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any related to such Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of such Index on a regular basis during each Scheduled Trading Day, which as of the issue date of the Warrant is the index sponsor specified for such Index in the applicable Final Terms.

(1) Market Disruption

“**Market Disruption Event**” means, in relation to Warrants relating to a single Index or basket of Indices, in respect of an Index:

- (a) the occurrence or existence at any time during the one hour period that ends at the Valuation Time:
 - (i) of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise and whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise:
 - (A) on any relevant Exchange(s) relating to securities/commodities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index; or
 - (B) in futures or options contracts relating to the relevant Index on any relevant Related Exchange;
 - (ii) of any event (other than an event described in (b) below) that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Calculation Agent) the ability of market participants in general (A) to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, on any relevant Exchange(s) securities/ commodities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index, or (B) to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, futures or options contracts relating to the relevant Index on any relevant Related Exchange,

which in either case the Calculation Agent determines is material; or

- (b) the closure on any Exchange Business Day of any relevant Exchange(s) relating to securities/commodities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index or any Related Exchange(s) prior to its Scheduled Closing Time unless such

earlier closing time is announced by such Exchange(s) or such Related Exchange(s), as the case may be, at least one hour prior to (A) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on such Exchange(s) or such Related Exchange(s) on such Exchange Business Day or, if earlier, (B) the submission deadline for orders to be entered into the Exchange or Related Exchange system for execution at the Valuation Time on such Exchange Business Day.

For the purposes of determining whether a Market Disruption Event in respect of an Index exists at any time, if a Market Disruption Event occurs in respect of a security/commodity included in the Index at any time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security/commodity to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (i) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security/commodity and (ii) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before the occurrence of such Market Disruption Event.

The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 of the occurrence of a Disrupted Day on any day that, but for the occurrence of a Disrupted Day would have been an Averaging Date or a Valuation Date.

(2) Adjustments to an Index

(a) Successor Index Sponsor Calculates and Reports an Index

If a relevant Index is (i) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor sponsor acceptable to the Calculation Agent, or (ii) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of that Index, then in each case that index (the “**Successor Index**”) will be deemed to be the Index.

(b) Modification and Cessation of Calculation of an Index

If (i) on or prior to a Valuation Date or an Averaging Date the relevant Index Sponsor makes or announces that it will make a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating a relevant Index or in any other way materially modifies that Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain that Index in the event of changes in constituent stock and capitalisation, contracts or commodities and other routine events) (an “**Index Modification**”), or permanently cancels a relevant Index and no Successor Index exists (an “**Index Cancellation**”), or (ii) on a Valuation Date or an Averaging Date the Index Sponsor or (if applicable) the Successor Index Sponsor fails to calculate and announce a relevant Index (an “**Index Disruption**” and, together with an Index Modification and an Index Calculation, each an “**Index Adjustment Event**”), then

(iii) the Calculation Agent shall determine if such Index Adjustment Event has a material effect on the Warrants and, if so, shall calculate the relevant Settlement Price using, in lieu of a published level for that Index, the level for that Index as at the Valuation Time on that Valuation Date or that Averaging Date, as the case may be, as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating that Index last in effect prior to the change, failure or cancellation, but using only those securities/commodities that comprised that Index immediately prior to that Index Adjustment Event; or

(iv) the Issuer shall cancel the Warrants by giving notice to Holders in accordance with Condition 11. If the Warrants are so cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Warrant or, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Unit, as the case may be, held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Warrant or a Unit, as the case may be, taking into account the Index Adjustment Event, less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11.

(c) Notice

The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable, notify the relevant Warrant Agent or the Registrar, as the case may be, of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraph (b) above and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto and such Warrant Agent or the Registrar, as the case may be, shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations.

(B) *Share Warrants*

For the purposes of this Condition 16(B):

“**Basket Company**” means a company whose shares are included in the basket of Shares and “**Basket Companies**” means all such companies;

“**Shares**” and “**Share**” mean, subject to adjustment in accordance with this Condition 16(B), in the case of an issue of Warrants relating to a basket of Shares, each share and, in the case of an issue of Warrants relating to a single Share, the share, specified in the applicable Final Terms and related expressions shall be construed accordingly; and

“**Share Company**” means, in the case of an issue of Warrants relating to a single Share, the company that has issued such share.

(1) Market Disruption

“**Market Disruption Event**” means, in relation to Warrants relating to a single Share or a basket of Shares, in respect of a Share:

(a) the occurrence or existence any time during the one hour period that ends at the Valuation Time for such Share:

(i) of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise and whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant Exchange or any Related Exchange or otherwise:

(A) relating to the Share on the Exchange; or

(B) in futures or options contracts relating to the Share on any relevant Related Exchange; or

(ii) of any event (other than as described in (b) below) that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Calculation Agent) the ability of market participants in general (A) to effect transactions, in or obtain market values for, the Share on the

Exchange or (B) to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, futures or options contracts on or relating to the Share on any relevant Related Exchange,

which in either case the Calculation Agent determines is material; or

- (b) the closure on any Exchange Business Day of the relevant Exchange or any Related Exchange(s) prior to its Scheduled Closing Time unless such earlier closing time is announced by such Exchange(s) or such Related Exchange(s), as the case may be, at least one hour prior to (A) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on such Exchange(s) or such Related Exchange(s) on such Exchange Business Day or, if earlier, (B) the submission deadline for orders to be entered into the Exchange or Related Exchange system for execution at the Valuation Time on such Exchange Business Day.

The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 of the occurrence of a Disrupted Day on any day that, but for the occurrence of a Disrupted Day, would have been an Averaging Date or a Valuation Date.

- (2) Potential Adjustment Events, Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation and Insolvency

- (a) “**Potential Adjustment Event**” means any of the following:

- (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless resulting in a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of any such Shares to existing Holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue;
- (ii) a distribution, issue or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (a) such Shares or (b) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares or (c) share capital or other securities of another issuer acquired or owned (directly or indirectly) by the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, as a result of a spin-off or other similar transaction or (d) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or in other consideration) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent;
- (iii) an extraordinary dividend as determined by the Calculation Agent;
- (iv) a call by a Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid;
- (v) a repurchase by the Basket Company or its subsidiaries or Share Company or its subsidiaries, as the case may be, of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise;
- (vi) in respect of a Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, an event that results in any shareholder rights being distributed or becoming separated from shares of common stock or other shares of the capital stock of such Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, pursuant to a shareholder rights plan or arrangement directed against hostile takeovers that provides upon the occurrence of certain events for a distribution of preferred stock, warrants, debt instruments or stock rights at a price below their market value as determined by

the Calculation Agent, provided that any adjustment effected as a result of such an event shall be readjusted upon any redemption of such rights; or

- (vii) any other event that may have, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

Following the declaration by the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will, in its sole and absolute discretion, determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares and, if so, will (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Exercise Price and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect (provided that no adjustments will be made to account solely for changes in volatility, expected dividends, stock loan rate or liquidity relative to the relevant Share) and (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange.

Upon the making of any such adjustment by the Calculation Agent, the Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11, stating the adjustment to any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Exercise Price and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

- (b) “**De-Listing**” means, in respect of any relevant Shares, the Exchange announces that pursuant to the rules of such Exchange, such Shares cease (or will cease) to be listed, traded or publicly quoted on the Exchange for any reason (other than a Merger Event or Tender Offer) and are not immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on an exchange or quotation system located in the same country as the Exchange (or, where the Exchange is within the European Union, in a member state of the European Union).

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy, insolvency, dissolution or winding-up of or any analogous proceeding affecting the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, (i) all the Shares of that Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, are required to be transferred to a trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) Holders of the Shares of that Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, become legally prohibited from transferring them.

“**Merger Date**” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“**Merger Event**” means, in respect of any relevant Shares, any (i) reclassification or change of such Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such Shares outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, with or into another entity or person (other than a

consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such Shares outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares of the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such Shares (other than such Shares owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Basket Company or its subsidiaries or the Share Company or its subsidiaries, as the case may be, with or into another entity in which the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such Shares outstanding but results in the outstanding Shares (other than Shares owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding Shares immediately following such event, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before (a) in the case of Cash Settled Warrants, the last occurring Valuation Date or where Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the final Averaging Date in respect of the relevant Warrant or (b) in the case of Physical Delivery Warrants, the relevant Settlement Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares or all or substantially all the assets of the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority, entity or instrumentality thereof.

“**Tender Offer**” means a takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person that results in such entity or person purchasing, or otherwise obtaining or having the right to obtain, by conversion or other means, greater than 10 per cent. and less than 100 per cent. of the outstanding voting shares of the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, as determined by the Calculation Agent, based upon the making of filings with governmental or self-regulatory agencies or such other information as the Calculation Agent deems relevant.

If a Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to a Share, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below:

- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Exercise Price and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms to account for the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The relevant adjustments may include, without limitation, adjustments to account for changes in volatility, expected dividends, stock loan rate or liquidity relevant to the Shares or to the Warrants. The Calculation Agent may (but need not) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange;

- (ii) in the case of Share Warrants relating to a basket of Shares cancel part of the Warrants by giving notice to Holders in accordance with Condition 11. If the Warrants are so cancelled in part the portion (the “**Cancelled Amount**”) of each Warrant or if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms each Unit representing the affected Share(s) shall be cancelled and the Issuer will (i) pay to each Holder in respect of each Warrant or Units, as the case may be, held by him an amount equal to the fair market value of the Cancelled Amount, taking into account the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion; and (ii) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Exercise Price and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms to account for such cancellation in part. For the avoidance of doubt the remaining part of each Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, after such cancellation and adjustment shall remain outstanding with full force and effect. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11. For the avoidance of doubt, the remaining part of each Warrant or Unit, as the case may be, after such cancellation and adjustment shall remain outstanding with full force and effect;
- (iii) cancel the Warrants by giving notice to Holders in accordance with Condition 11. If the Warrants are so cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Warrant or, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Unit, as the case may be, held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Warrant or a Unit, as the case may be, taking into account the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements plus, if already paid, the Exercise Price, all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11; or
- (iv) following such adjustment to the settlement terms of options on the Shares traded on such exchange(s) or quotation system(s) as the Issuer in its sole discretion shall select (the “**Options Exchange**”), require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any one or more of any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Exercise Price and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Options Exchange. If options on the Shares are not traded on the Options Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any one or more of any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Exercise Price and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if

any) set by the Options Exchange to account for the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Options Exchange if such options were so traded.

- (c) Upon the occurrence of a Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Issuer shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 stating the occurrence of the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, giving details thereof and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

(C) *Debt Warrants*

Market Disruption

“**Market Disruption Event**” shall mean the suspension of or limitation imposed on trading either on any exchange on which the Debt Securities or any of them (in the case of a basket of Debt Securities) are traded or on any exchange on which options contracts or futures contracts with respect to the Debt Securities or any of them (in the case of a basket of Debt Securities) are traded if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material.

The Issuer shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

(D) *Commodity Warrants*

Market Disruption

“**Market Disruption Event**” shall mean the suspension of or limitation imposed on trading on either any exchange on which the Commodity or any of the Commodities (in the case of a Basket of Commodities) are traded or on any exchange on which options contracts or futures contracts with respect to the Commodity or any of the Commodities (in the case of a Basket of Commodities) are traded if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material.

The Issuer shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

(E) *Additional Disruption Events*

- (a) “**Additional Disruption Event**” means any of Change of Law, Hedging Disruption, Increased Cost of Hedging, Increased Cost of Stock Borrow, Insolvency Filing and/or Loss of Stock Borrow, in each case if specified in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Change in Law**” means that, on or after the Trade Date (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) (A) due to the adoption of or any change in any applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, any tax law), or (B) due to the promulgation of or any change in the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation (including any action taken by a taxing authority), the Issuer determines in its sole and absolute discretion that (X) it has become illegal to hold, acquire or dispose of any relevant Share (in the case of Share Warrants) or any relevant security/commodity comprised in an Index (in the case of Index Warrants) or (Y) it will incur a materially increased cost in performing its obligations in relation to the Warrants (including, without limitation, due to any increase in tax liability, decrease in tax benefit or other adverse effect on the tax position of the Issuer and/or any of its Affiliates).

“Hedging Disruption” means that the Issuer and/or any of its Affiliates is unable, after using commercially reasonable efforts, to (A) acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of any transaction(s) or asset(s) it deems necessary to hedge the equity or other price risk of the Issuer issuing and performing its obligations with respect to the Warrants, or (B) realise, recover or remit the proceeds of any such transaction(s) or asset(s).

“Hedging Shares” means the number of Shares (in the case of Share Warrants) or securities/commodities comprised in an Index (in the case of Index Warrants) that the Issuer deems necessary to hedge the equity or other price risk of entering into and performing its obligations with respect to the Warrants.

“Increased Cost of Hedging” means that the Issuer and/or any of its Affiliates would incur a materially increased (as compared with circumstances existing on the Trade Date) amount of tax, duty, expense or fee (other than brokerage commissions) to (A) acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of any transaction(s) or asset(s) it deems necessary to hedge the equity or other price risk of the Issuer issuing and performing its obligations with respect to the Warrants, or (B) realise, recover or remit the proceeds of any such transaction(s) or asset(s), provided that any such materially increased amount that is incurred solely due to the deterioration of the creditworthiness of the Issuer and/or any of its Affiliates shall not be deemed an Increased Cost of Hedging.

“Increased Cost of Stock Borrow” means that the Issuer and/or any of its Affiliates would incur a rate to borrow any Share (in the case of Share Warrants) or any security/commodity comprised in an Index (in the case of Index Warrants) that is greater than the Initial Stock Loan Rate.

“Initial Stock Loan Rate” means, in respect of a Share (in the case of Share Warrants) or a security/commodity comprised in an Index (in the case of Index Warrants), the initial stock loan rate specified in relation to such Share, security or commodity in the applicable Final Terms.

“Insolvency Filing” means that a Share Company or Basket Company institutes or has instituted against it by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organisation or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, or it consents to a proceeding seeking a judgement of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors’ rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official or it consents to such a petition, provided that proceedings instituted or petitions presented by creditors and not consented to by the Share Company or Basket Company shall not be deemed an Insolvency Filing.

“Loss of Stock Borrow” means that the Issuer and/or any Affiliate is unable, after using commercially reasonable efforts, to borrow (or maintain a borrowing of) any Share (in the case of Share Warrants) or any securities/commodities comprised in an Index (in the case of Index Warrants) in an amount equal to the Hedging Shares at a rate equal to or less than the Maximum Stock Loan Rate.

“Maximum Stock Loan Rate” means, in respect of a Share (in the case of Share Warrants) or a security/commodity comprised in an Index (in the case of Index Warrants), the Maximum Stock Loan Rate specified in the applicable Final Terms.

- (b) If an Additional Disruption Event occurs, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i) or (ii) below:
 - (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Exercise Price and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms to account for the Additional Disruption Event and determine the effective date of that adjustment; or
 - (ii) cancel the Warrants by giving notice to Holders in accordance with Condition 11. If the Warrants are so cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Warrant or, if Units are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Unit, as the case may be, held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Warrant or a Unit, as the case may be, taking into account the Additional Disruption Event less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements plus, if already paid, the Exercise Price, all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11.
- (c) Upon the occurrence of an Additional Disruption Event, the Issuer shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 stating the occurrence of the Additional Disruption Event, as the case may be, giving details thereof and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

17 Adjustments for European Monetary Union

The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders, on giving notice to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11:

- (i) elect that, with effect from the Adjustment Date specified in the notice, certain terms of the Warrants shall be redenominated in euro;

The election will have effect as follows:

- (A) where the Settlement Currency of the Warrants is the National Currency Unit of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union, such Settlement Currency shall be deemed to be an amount of euro converted from the original Settlement Currency into euro at the Established Rate, subject to such provisions (if any) as to rounding as the Issuer may decide, after consultation with the Calculation Agent, and as may be specified in the notice, and after the Adjustment Date, all payments of the Cash Settlement Amount in respect of the Warrants will be made solely in euro as though references in the Warrants to the Settlement Currency were to euro;
- (B) where the Exchange Rate and/or any other terms of these Terms and Conditions are expressed in or, in the case of the Exchange Rate, contemplate the exchange from or into, the currency (the “**Original Currency**”) of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union, such Exchange Rate and/or any other terms of these Terms and Conditions shall be deemed to be expressed in or, in the case of the Exchange Rate, converted from or, as the case may be into, euro at the Established Rate; and

- (C) such other changes shall be made to these Terms and Conditions as the Issuer may decide, after consultation with the Calculation Agent to conform them to conventions then applicable to instruments expressed in euro; and/or
- (ii) require that the Calculation Agent make such adjustments to the Multiplier and/or the Settlement Price and/or the Exercise Price and/or any other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the Final Terms as the Calculation Agent, in its sole discretion, may determine to be appropriate to account for the effect of the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union on the Multiplier and/or the Settlement Price and/or the Exercise Price and/or such other terms of these Terms and Conditions.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, none of the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, the Calculation Agent and the Warrant Agents shall be liable to any Holder or other person for any commissions, costs, losses or expenses in relation to or resulting from the transfer of euro or any currency conversion or rounding effected in connection therewith;

In this Condition, the following expressions have the following meanings:

“**Adjustment Date**” means a date specified by the Issuer in the notice given to the Holders pursuant to this Condition which falls on or after the date on which the country of the Original Currency first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty;

“**Established Rate**” means the rate for the conversion of the Original Currency (including compliance with rules relating to rounding in accordance with applicable European Community regulations) into euro established by the Council of the European Union pursuant to first sentence of Article 1091(4) of the Treaty;

“**euro**” means the currency introduced at the start of the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty;

“**National Currency Unit**” means the unit of the currency of a country, as those units are defined on the day before the date on which the country of the Original Currency first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union; and

“**Treaty**” means the treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

18 Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

The English Law Warrants do not confer on a third party any right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of such Warrants but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from that Act.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CERTIFICATES

The following is the text of the Terms and Conditions of the Certificates which, in the case of English Law Certificates (as defined in Condition 4), will be attached to each Global Certificate or Private Placement Definitive Certificate (each as defined below). The applicable Final Terms in relation to any issue of Certificates may specify other terms and conditions which shall, to the extent so specified or to the extent inconsistent with the following Terms and Conditions, replace or modify the following Terms and Conditions for the purpose of such Certificates. In the case of English Law Certificates, the applicable Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) will be attached to each Global Certificate.

The series of Certificates described in the applicable Final Terms (in so far as it relates to such series of Certificates) (such Certificates being hereinafter referred to as the “**Certificates**”) are issued by whichever of BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V. (“**BNPP B.V.**”) or BNP Paribas (“**BNPP**”) is specified as the issuer in the applicable Final Terms (as defined below) (the “**Issuer**”) and references to the Issuer shall be construed accordingly. Rule 144A Certificates and Private Placement Definitive Certificates (each, as defined below) may be issued by BNPP only. The Certificates are issued pursuant to an Agency Agreement dated 18 October 2005 (as amended and/or supplemented from time to time, the “**Agency Agreement**”) between BNPP B.V. as issuer, BNPP as issuer and, where the Issuer is BNPP B.V., as guarantor (in such capacity, the “**Guarantor**”), BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch as agent (if specified in the applicable Final Terms as Agent in respect of the Certificates, the “**Principal Certificate Agent**”, BNP Paribas Arbitrage SNC as agent (if specified in the applicable Final Terms as Agent in respect of the Certificates, the “**Principal Certificate Agent**”), any agent appointed as New York certificate agent (the “**New York Certificate Agent**”), any agent appointed as definitive certificate agent (the “**Definitive Certificate Agent**”) (each, a “**Certificate Agent**” and collectively, the “**Certificate Agents**”) and BNP PARIBAS Securities (Japan) Limited as registrar. The expression “Certificate Agent” shall include any additional or successor certificate agent in respect of the Certificates. BNP Paribas or BNP Paribas Arbitrage SNC (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) shall undertake the duties of calculation agent (the “**Calculation Agent**”) in respect of the Certificates as set out below and in the applicable Final Terms unless another entity is so specified as calculation agent in the applicable Final Terms. The expression Calculation Agent shall, in relation to the relevant Certificates, include such other specified calculation agent. The Agency Agreement will be governed by English Law in the case of English Law Certificates (the “**English Law Agency Agreement**”) and by French Law in the case of French Law Certificates (as defined in Condition 4 below) (the “**French Law Agency Agreement**”).

English Law Certificates are constituted by an English Law clearing system global certificate (each, a “**Global Certificate**”), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Except as provided herein, no Certificates in definitive form will be issued.

In the event that (A) the applicable Final Terms specify that Certificates are eligible for sale in the United States (such eligibility to be pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), the Certificates sold in the United States to qualified institutional buyers (“**QIBs**”) within the meaning of Rule 144A (“**Rule 144A**”) under the Securities Act (“**Rule 144A Certificates**”) will be represented by one or more Rule 144A global certificates (each, a “**Rule 144A Global Certificate**”), (B) the applicable Final Terms specifies that the Certificates are eligible for sale in the United States under the exemption provided by Section 4(2) (“**Section 4(2)**”) of the Securities Act, the Certificates sold in the United States to accredited investors (“**AIs**”) (as defined in Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act) will be constituted by a private placement definitive certificate (the “**Private Placement Definitive Certificate**”), and (C) in either such case, Certificates are sold outside the United States to non-U.S. persons under the exemption contained in Regulation S (“**Regulation S**”) under the Securities Act, such Certificates will be represented by one or more Regulation S global certificates (each, a “**Regulation S**

Global Certificate”). References herein to a Global Certificate include, as the context so requires, a Rule 144A Global Certificate and a Regulation S Global Certificate.

In the event that the Certificates are constituted by a Global Certificate, the Global Certificate will be issued and deposited with a common depository (the “**Common Depository**”) on behalf of Clearstream Banking, société anonyme (“**Clearstream, Luxembourg**”) and Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. as operator of the Euroclear System (“**Euroclear**”) and/or any other relevant Clearing System (as defined below).

Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate will be either (i) deposited with a custodian (a “**Custodian**”) for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, The Depository Trust Company (“**DTC**”), or (ii) issued and deposited with the Common Depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear. Certificates represented by a Regulation S Global Certificate will be issued and deposited with the Common Depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear and/or any other relevant Clearing System.²²

Interests in a Rule 144A Global Certificate and a Regulation S Global Certificate may be exchanged for interests in the other Global Certificate only as described herein. Interests in a Global Certificate may be exchanged for Private Placement Definitive Certificates and Private Placement Definitive Certificates may be exchanged for an interest in a Global Certificate only as described herein.

In the case of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, if DTC notifies BNPP that it is unwilling or unable to continue as a depository for that Global Certificate, or if at any time DTC ceases to be a “clearing agency” registered under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and a successor depository is not appointed by BNPP within 90 days of such notice, BNPP will deliver Certificates in definitive registered form (bearing such legends as may be required by BNPP) in exchange for that Rule 144A Global Certificate. Except in these circumstances, owners of beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC will not be entitled to have any portion of such Certificates registered in their name and will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of registered Certificates in definitive form in exchange for their interests in that Rule 144A Global Certificate. Transfer, exercise, settlement and other mechanics related to any Certificates issued in definitive form in exchange for Certificates represented by such Rule 144A Global Certificate shall be as agreed between BNPP and the New York Certificate Agent.

French Law Certificates (as defined in Condition 4) are issued in dematerialised form (au porteur). No physical document of title (including certificats représentatifs pursuant to Article 7 of décret no.83-359 of May 1983) will be issued in respect of French Law Certificates.

The applicable Final Terms for the Certificates is attached to each Global Certificate and each Private Placement Definitive Certificate and supplements these Terms and Conditions and may specify other terms and conditions which shall, to the extent so specified or to the extent inconsistent with these Terms and Conditions, supplement, replace or modify these Terms and Conditions for the purposes of the Certificates.

References herein to the “applicable Final Terms” are to the Final Terms or two or more sets of Final Terms (in the case of any further certificates issued pursuant to Condition 13 and forming a single series with the Certificates) (which, for the avoidance of doubt, may be issued in respect of more than one series of Certificates) insofar as they relate to the Certificates.

Subject as provided in Condition 3 and in the Guarantees (as defined below), where the Issuer is BNPP B.V., the obligations of BNPP B.V. with respect to physical delivery (if applicable) and/or the payment of amounts payable by BNPP B.V. are guaranteed by BNPP pursuant to the Guarantee (as defined in Condition 4). The

²² Regulation S Certificate could also be deposited with DTC if desired.

original of each Guarantee is held by BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch on behalf of the Holders at its specified office.

Copies of the Agency Agreement and the Guarantees will be available for inspection at the specified office of BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch, and copies of the applicable Final Terms may be obtained from the specified office of the relevant Certificate Agent, save that if the Certificates are unlisted, the applicable Final Terms will only be obtainable by a Holder and such Holder must produce evidence satisfactory to the relevant Certificate Agent as to identity.

Words and expressions defined in the Agency Agreement or used in the applicable Final Terms shall have the same meanings where used in these Terms and Conditions unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise stated.

The Holders (as defined in Condition 1(B)) are entitled to the benefit of and are deemed to have notice of and are bound by all the provisions of the Agency Agreement (insofar as they relate to the Certificates) and the applicable Final Terms, which are binding on them.

1 Type, Title and Transfer

(A) *Type*

The Certificates relate to a specified Index or basket of Indices (“**Index Certificates**”), a specified Share or basket of Shares (“**Share Certificates**”), a specified debt instrument (“**Debt Security**”) or basket of Debt Securities (“**Debt Certificates**”), a specified currency (“**Currency**”) or basket of Currencies (“**Currency Certificates**”), a specified commodity (“**Commodity**”) or basket of Commodities (“**Commodity Certificates**”) or any other or further type of Certificates as is specified in the applicable Final Terms. Certain terms which will, unless otherwise varied in the applicable Final Terms, apply to Index Certificates, Share Certificates, Debt Certificates, Currency Certificates or Commodity Certificates are set out in Condition 16.

The applicable Final Terms will indicate whether settlement shall be by way of cash payment (“**Cash Settled Certificates**”) or physical delivery (“**Physical Delivery Certificates**”) and whether Averaging (“**Averaging**”) will apply to the Certificates. If Averaging is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, the applicable Final Terms will state the relevant Averaging Dates and, if an Averaging Date is a Disrupted Day, whether Omission, Postponement or Modified Postponement (each as defined in Condition 4 below) applies. If so specified in the applicable Final Terms, interest shall be payable in respect of the Certificates.

References in these Terms and Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, to Cash Settled Certificates shall be deemed to include references to (a) Physical Delivery Certificates which include an option (as set out in the applicable Final Terms) at the Issuer’s election to request cash settlement of such Certificate pursuant to Condition 7(C)(i) and where settlement is to be by way of cash payment, and (b) Physical Delivery Certificates where settlement is to be automatically varied to be by way of cash payment pursuant to Condition 7(C)(ii). References in these Terms and Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, to Physical Delivery Certificates shall be deemed to include references to Cash Settled Certificates which include an option (as set out in the applicable Final Terms) at the Issuer’s election to request physical delivery of the relevant underlying asset in settlement of such Certificate pursuant to Condition 7(C)(ii) and where settlement is to be by way of physical delivery. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, BNPP does not have the option to vary settlement in respect of the U.S. Certificates pursuant to Condition 7(C)(i).

Certificates may, if specified in the applicable Final Terms, allow Holders to elect for settlement by way of cash payment or by way of physical delivery or by such other method of settlement as is specified in the applicable Final Terms. Those Certificates where the Holder has elected for cash payment will be Cash Settled Certificates and those Certificates where the Holder has elected for physical delivery will be Physical Delivery Certificates. The rights of a Holder as described in this paragraph may be subject to the Issuer's right to vary settlement as indicated in the applicable Final Terms and will be subject to the Issuer's right to substitute assets or pay the Alternate Cash Amount (as defined below) in lieu of physical delivery in accordance with these Conditions.

(B) *Title to Certificates*

In the case of Certificates represented by a Global Certificate held by a Common Depository on behalf of a relevant Clearing System and French Law Certificates, each person who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing System (in the case of English Law Certificates) or whose name appears in the account of the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law Certificates) as the Holder of a particular amount of Certificates (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, Account Holder as to the amount of Certificates standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall (except as otherwise required by law) be treated by the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, and the relevant Certificate Agent as the Holder of such amount of Certificates for all purposes (and the expressions “**Holder**” and “**Holder of Certificates**” and related expressions shall be construed accordingly).

In addition, title to French Law Certificates will be evidenced in accordance with Article L.211-4 of the French Code monétaire et financier by book-entries (*inscription en compte*). No document of title (including *certificats représentatifs* pursuant to article 7 of Decree No. 83-359 of 2 May 1989) will be issued in respect of such Certificates. Certificates will, upon issue, be inscribed in the books of Euroclear France which will credit the accounts of the relevant Account Holders.

For the purpose of these Conditions, “**Account Holder**” means any authorised financial intermediary institution entitled to hold accounts, directly or indirectly, on behalf of its customers with Euroclear France, and includes the depository bank for Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear.

In the case of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, the Rule 144A Global Certificate will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, but this does not confer any rights or benefits on Cede & Co. or any other nominee of DTC in whose name a Rule 144A Global Certificate may be registered. Transfers of such Rule 144A Global Certificate by such nominee of DTC shall be limited to transfers of such Global Certificate, in whole but not in part, to another nominee of DTC or to a successor of DTC or such successor's nominee. Rights conferred by the Rule 144A Global Certificate are only enforceable by the Holders (as defined below) as provided therein. Subject as set forth in Condition 1(C) below, each person who is for the time being shown in the records of DTC as the Holder of a particular amount of Certificates shall (except as otherwise required by law) be treated by the Issuer and the New York Certificate Agent as the Holder of such amount of Certificates for all purposes (and the expressions “**Holder**” and “**Holder of Certificates**” and related expressions shall be construed accordingly).

In the case of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, BNPP shall cause to be kept at the principal office of the Definitive Certificate Agent, a register (the “**Private Placement Register**”) on which shall be entered the names and addresses of all holders of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, the amount and type of Private Placement Definitive Certificates held by them and details of all transfers of Private Placement Definitive Certificates. Subject as set forth in Condition 1(C) below, the persons

shown in the Private Placement Register (each a “Holder”) shall (except as otherwise required by law) be treated as the absolute owners of the relevant Private Placement Definitive Certificates for all purposes (regardless of any notice of ownership, trust, or any interest in it, any writing on it, or its theft or loss) and no person will be liable for so treating such person.

(C) *Transfers of Interests in Global Certificates*

Transfers of Certificates may not be effected after the redemption of such Certificates pursuant to Condition 6.

Subject as set forth in this Condition, all transactions (including permitted transfers of Certificates) in the open market or otherwise must be effected, in the case of Certificates represented by a Global Certificate held by a Common Depositary on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear through an account at Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, as the case may be, or, in the case of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC through a direct or indirect participant of DTC, subject to and in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of the relevant Clearing System(s). Transfers in respect of Certificates represented by a French Law Global Certificate must be effected through Account Holders(s). Title will pass upon registration of the transfer in the books of the relevant Clearing System.

Any reference herein to Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Euroclear and/or DTC shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system approved by the Issuer and the Principal Certificate Agent from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11.

Subject as set forth in this Condition, Private Placement Definitive Certificates may be transferred by the then current Holder surrendering its Private Placement Definitive Certificate for registration of transfer at the specified office of the Definitive Certificate Agent, duly endorsed by, or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer (in the form satisfactory to BNPP and the Definitive Certificate Agent), duly executed by the Holder or its duly authorised agent. Private Placement Definitive Certificates may only be issued and transferred in minimum nominal amounts of \$250,000.

- (a) Transfers of Certificates to a person who takes delivery in the form of Certificates represented by a Global Certificate may be made only in accordance with the following provisions:
 - (i)
 - (A) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Certificates represented by a Regulation S Global Certificate, from a Holder of Certificates represented by a Regulation S Global Certificate, within the Distribution Compliance Period (as defined below) only, upon certification (in the form from time to time available from any Certificate Agent) to the Principal Certificate Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a non-U.S. person in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S and, after the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, to a non-U.S. person in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S but without such certification;
 - (B) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate, from a Holder of Certificates represented by a Regulation S Global Certificate, within the Distribution Compliance Period only, upon certification (in the form from time to time available from any Certificate Agent) to the relevant Certificate Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a person who is a QIB

- acquiring such Certificates in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and, after the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A but without such certification;
- (C) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Certificates represented by a Regulation S Global Certificate, from a Holder of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, within the Distribution Compliance Period only, upon certification (in the form from time to time available from any Certificate Agent) to the Principal Certificate Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a non-U.S. person in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S and, after the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, to a non-U.S. person in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S but without such certification;
 - (D) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate, from a Holder of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, within the Distribution Compliance Period only, upon certification (in the form from time to time available from any Certificate Agent) to the relevant Certificate Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a person who is a QIB acquiring such Certificates in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and, after the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A but without such certification;
 - (E) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate, from a Holder of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A;
 - (F) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Certificates represented by a Regulation S Global Certificate, from a Holder of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate, within the Distribution Compliance Period only, upon certification (in the form from time to time available from any Certificate Agent) to the Principal Certificate Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a non-U.S. person in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S and, after the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, to a non-U.S. person in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S but without such certification; and
 - (G) in each case, in accordance with any applicable rules and regulations of the Principal Certificate Agent, the New York Certificate Agent, the Definitive Certificate Agent, the relevant Clearing System and/or as specified in the applicable Final Terms.
- (ii) The Holder must send:
- (A) in the case of transfers of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, a free of payment instruction to the Definitive Certificate Agent, not later than 5.00 p.m., New York City Time, at least two Business Days in New York prior to the date on which the transfer is to take effect;

- (B) in the case of transfers of Certificates represented by a Regulation S Global Certificate or a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Common Depositary on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear, a free of payment instruction to Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, as the case may be, not later than 10.00 a.m. Luxembourg or Brussels time (as appropriate), one Business Day in Luxembourg or Brussels (as appropriate) prior to the date on which the transfer is to take effect; and
- (C) in the case of transfers of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, a free of payment instruction to DTC, not later than 5.00 p.m. New York City Time, at least two Business Days in New York prior to the date on which the transfer is to take effect.

Separate payment arrangements are required to be made between the transferor and the transferee.

(iii) On the transfer date:

- (A) (x) in the case of transfers of Certificates represented by a Global Certificate, the relevant Clearing System will debit the account of its participant and (y) in the case of transfers of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, the Holder must deliver the Private Placement Definitive Certificates the subject of the transfer to the Definitive Certificate Agent and instruct the Definitive Certificate Agent to cancel the transferred Private Placement Definitive Certificates; and
- (B) the relevant Clearing System or the Holder, as the case may be, will instruct (x) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Certificates represented by a Global Certificate held by a Common Depositary on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear, the Principal Certificate Agent to instruct the relevant Clearing System to credit the relevant account of the relevant Clearing System participant, and (y) in the case of transfers to a person who takes delivery in the form of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, (1) the New York Certificate Agent (in the case of transfers of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC) to credit the relevant account of the DTC participant, (2) the Definitive Certificate Agent (in the case of transfers of Private Placement Definitive Certificates) to credit the relevant account of the DTC participant, or (3) the Principal Certificate Agent (in the case of transfers of Certificates represented by a Global Certificate held by a Common Depositary on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear) to instruct DTC to credit the relevant account of Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear at DTC and thereafter DTC will debit such account of Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, as the case may be, and will credit the relevant account of the DTC participant.

(iv) Upon any such transfer, on the transfer date:

- (A) the Principal Certificate Agent, in the case of transfers to and/or from a person who takes delivery in the form of Certificates represented by a Global Certificate held by a Common Depositary on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear, will increase or decrease, if appropriate, the number of Certificates represented by such Global Certificate, whereupon the number of Certificates

represented by such Global Certificate shall be increased or decreased, if appropriate, for all purposes by the number so transferred and endorsed; or

- (B) the New York Certificate Agent, in the case of transfers to and/or from a person who takes delivery in the form of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, will increase or decrease, if appropriate, the number of Certificates represented by such Rule 144A Global Certificate, whereupon the number of Certificates represented by such Rule 144A Global Certificate shall be increased or decreased, if appropriate, for all purposes by the number so transferred and endorsed.
- (b) Transfers of Certificates to a person who takes delivery in the form of Private Placement Definitive Certificates may be made only in accordance with the following provisions:
- (i)
 - (A) in the case of transfers from a Holder of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, upon (x) delivery of a duly executed investor representation letter from the relevant transferee in accordance with paragraph (c) below and (y) certification (in the form from time to time available from any Certificate Agent) to the Definitive Certificate Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is an AI acquiring such Certificates in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act;
 - (B) in the case of transfers from a holder of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate, upon (x) delivery of a duly executed investor representation letter from the relevant transferee in accordance with paragraph (c) below and (y) certification (in the form from time to time available from any Certificate Agent) to the Definitive Certificate Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is an AI who is acquiring such Certificates in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act;
 - (C) in the case of transfers from a Holder of Certificates represented by a Regulation S Global Certificate, upon (x) delivery of a duly executed investor representation letter from the relevant transferee in accordance with paragraph (c) below and (y) within the Distribution Compliance Period only, certification (in the form from time to time available from any Certificate Agent) to the Definitive Certificate Agent by the transferor thereof that such transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is an AI acquiring such Certificates in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act; and
 - (D) in each case, in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States and any applicable rules and regulations of the New York Certificate Agent, the Definitive Certificate Agent, the relevant Clearing System and/or as specified in the applicable Final Terms.
 - (ii) The Holder must send:
 - (A) in the case of transfers of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, a free of payment instruction to the Definitive Certificate Agent not later than 5.00 p.m.

New York City Time, at least two Business Days in New York prior to the date on which the transfer is to take effect;

- (B) in the case of transfers of Certificates represented by a Global Certificate held by a Common Depositary on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear, a free of payment instruction to the relevant Clearing System not later than 10.00 a.m. Luxembourg or Brussels time (as appropriate), one Business Day in Luxembourg or Brussels (as appropriate) prior to the date on which the transfer is to take effect; and
- (C) in the case of transfers of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, a free of payment instruction to DTC, not later than 5.00 p.m. New York City Time, at least two Business Days in New York prior to the date on which the transfer is to take effect.

Separate payment arrangements are required to be made between the transferor and the transferee.

(iii) On the transfer date:

- (A) in the case of transfers of Certificates represented by a Global Certificate, the relevant Clearing System will debit the account of its participant and, in the case of transfers of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, the Holder must deliver the Private Placement Definitive Certificates the subject of the transfer to the Definitive Certificate Agent and instruct the Definitive Certificate Agent to cancel the transferred Private Placement Definitive Certificates; and
- (B) the relevant Clearing System or the Holder, as the case may be, will instruct the Definitive Certificate Agent to deliver or procure the delivery of new Private Placement Definitive Certificates, of a like number to the number of Certificates transferred, to the transferee at its specified office or send such new Private Placement Definitive Certificates, by uninsured mail, at the risk of the transferee, to such address as the transferee may request.

(iv) Upon any such transfer, on the transfer date:

- (A) the Principal Certificate Agent will, in the case of transfers of Certificates represented by a Global Certificate held by a Common Depositary on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear, decrease the number of Certificates represented by such Global Certificate, if appropriate, whereupon the number of Certificates represented by such Global Certificate shall, if appropriate, be reduced for all purposes by the number so transferred or exchanged and endorsed; or
- (B) the New York Certificate Agent will, in the case of transfers of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, decrease the number of Certificates represented by such Rule 144A Global Certificate, if appropriate, whereupon the number of Certificates represented by such Rule 144A Global Certificate shall, if appropriate, be reduced for all purposes by the number so transferred and endorsed.

(c) In the case of transfers of Certificates to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Private Placement Definitive Certificate, the delivery of a duly executed investor representation letter

in the form set out in the Agency Agreement (an “Investor Representation Letter”) from the relevant transferee to the Definitive Certificate Agent is a condition precedent to the transfer of such Private Placement Definitive Certificate or any beneficial interests therein. The Investor Representation Letter must be duly executed by such proposed transferee or such proposed transferee’s attorney duly authorised in writing, at least three Business Days in New York prior to the date the transfer of such Private Placement Definitive Certificate is desired. Any attempted transfer in which the Investor Representation Letter and the proposed transfer was not effected in accordance with the foregoing procedures shall not be valid or binding on BNPP.

If (i) the Principal Certificate Agent (in relation to Global Certificates held by a Common Depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear) or (ii) the New York Certificate Agent (in relation to Rule 144A Global Certificates held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC) or (iii) the Definitive Certificate Agent (in relation to Private Placement Definitive Certificates) subsequently determines or is subsequently notified by BNPP that (i) a transfer or attempted or purported transfer of any interest in a Private Placement Definitive Certificate was consummated in compliance with the provisions of this paragraph on the basis of an incorrect form or certification from the transferee or purported transferee as set forth in the relevant Investor Representation Letter, or (ii) the Holder of any interest in any Certificate was in breach, at the time given, of any representation or agreement given by such Holder (including, but not limited to, in the case of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, any such representation or agreement set forth in the relevant Investor Representation Letter) or (iii) a transfer or attempted transfer of any interest in any Certificate was consummated that did not comply with the transfer restrictions set forth in this Condition 1(C), the purported transfer shall be absolutely null and void ab initio and shall vest no rights in the purported transferee (such purported transferee, a “Disqualified Transferee”) and the last preceding Holder of such interest that was not a Disqualified Transferee shall be restored to all rights as a Holder thereof retroactively to the date of transfer of such interest by such Holder.

2 Status of the Certificates and Guarantee

The Certificates are unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the relevant Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves.

Where the Issuer is BNPP B.V., the Guarantee is an unsubordinated and unsecured obligation of BNPP and will rank *pari passu* with all its other present and future unsubordinated and unsecured obligations subject to such exceptions as may from time to time be mandatory under French law.

3 Guarantee

Where the Issuer is BNPP B.V., subject as provided below and in the relevant Guarantee, BNPP has unconditionally and irrevocably (a) guaranteed to each Holder all obligations of the Issuer in respect of such Holder’s Certificates as and when such obligations become due and (b) agreed that if and each time that the Issuer fails to satisfy any obligations under such Certificates as and when such obligations become due, BNPP will not later than five Paris Business Days (as defined in the relevant Guarantee) after a demand has been made on BNPP pursuant to clause 11 thereto (without requiring the relevant Holder first to take steps against the Issuer or any other person) make or cause to be made such payment or satisfy or cause to be satisfied such obligations as though BNPP were the principal obligor in respect of such obligations provided that (i) in the case of Physical Delivery Certificates, notwithstanding that the Issuer had the right to vary settlement in respect of such Physical Delivery Certificates in accordance with Condition 7(C) and exercised such right or failed to exercise such right, BNPP will have the right at its sole and unfettered discretion to elect not to deliver or procure delivery of the Entitlement to the Holders of such Physical Delivery Certificates, but in lieu

thereof, to make payment in respect of each such Physical Delivery Certificate of an amount equal to the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount calculated pursuant to the terms of the relevant Final Terms (the “**Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount**”) and (ii) in the case of Certificates where the obligations of the Issuer which fail to be satisfied by BNPP constitute the delivery of the Entitlement to the Holders, the BNPP B.V. Guarantor will as soon as practicable following the failure by the Issuer to satisfy its obligations under such Certificates deliver or procure delivery of such Entitlement using the method of delivery specified in the applicable Final Terms provided that, if in the opinion of BNPP, delivery of the Entitlement using such method is not practicable by reason of (x) a Settlement Disruption Event (as defined in Condition 7(B)(4)) or (y) if “Failure to Deliver due to Illiquidity” is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, a Failure to Deliver (as defined in Condition 7(B)(6), in lieu of such delivery BNPP will make payment in respect of each such Certificate of, in the case of (x) above, the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount or in the case of (y) above, the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price (as defined in Condition 7(B)(6)). Any payment of the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount or the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price, as the case may be, in respect of a Certificate shall constitute a complete discharge of BNPP’s obligations in respect of such Certificate. Payment of the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount or the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price, as the case may be, will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11.

4 Definitions

For the purposes of these Terms and Conditions, the following general definitions will apply:

“**Affiliate**” means in relation to any entity (the “**First Entity**”), any entity controlled, directly or indirectly, by the First Entity, any entity that controls, directly or indirectly, the First Entity or any entity directly or indirectly under common control with the First Entity. For these purposes “**control**” means ownership of a majority of the voting power of an entity;

“**Averaging Date**” means each date specified as an Averaging Date in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such date is not a Scheduled Trading Day, the immediately following Scheduled Trading Day unless, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent any such day is a Disrupted Day. If any such day is a Disrupted Day, then:

- (a) If “**Omission**” is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, then such date will be deemed not to be an Averaging Date for the purposes of determining the relevant Settlement Price provided that, if through the operation of this provision no Averaging Date would occur, then the provisions of the definition of “**Valuation Date**” will apply for purposes of determining the relevant level, price or amount on the final Averaging Date as if such Averaging Date were a Valuation Date that was a Disrupted Day; or
- (b) if “**Postponement**” is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms, then the provisions of the definition of “**Valuation Date**” will apply for the purposes of determining the relevant level, price or amount on that Averaging Date as if such Averaging Date were a Valuation Date that was a Disrupted Day irrespective of whether, pursuant to such determination, that deferred Averaging Date would fall on a day that already is or is deemed to be an Averaging Date; or
- (c) if “**Modified Postponement**” is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms then:
 - (i) where the Certificates are Index Certificates relating to a single Index or Share Certificates relating to a single Share, the Averaging Date shall be the first succeeding Valid Date (as defined below). If the first succeeding Valid Date has not occurred as of the Valuation Time on the eighth Scheduled Trading Day immediately following the original date that, but for the occurrence of another Averaging Date or Disrupted Day, would have been the final Averaging Date, then (A) that eighth Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Date (irrespective of whether that eighth Scheduled Trading Day is already an Averaging Date), and

(B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level or price for that Averaging Date in accordance with sub-paragraph (a)(ii) of the definition of “**Valuation Date**” below;

- (ii) where the Certificates are Index Certificates relating to a basket of Indices or Share Certificates relating to a basket of Shares, the Averaging Date for each Index or Share not affected by the occurrence of a Disrupted Day shall be the originally designated Averaging Date (the “**Scheduled Averaging Date**”) and the Averaging Date for an Index or Share affected by the occurrence of a Disrupted Day shall be the first succeeding Valid Date (as defined below) in relation to such Index or Share. If the first succeeding Valid Date in relation to such Index or Share has not occurred as of the Valuation Time on the eighth Scheduled Trading Day immediately following the original date that, but for the occurrence of another Averaging Date or Disrupted Day, would have been the final Averaging Date, then (A) that eighth Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed the Averaging Date (irrespective of whether that eighth Scheduled Trading Day is already an Averaging Date) in respect of such Index or Share, and (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level, price or amount for that Averaging Date in accordance with sub-paragraph (b)(ii) of the definition of “**Valuation Date**” below; and
- (iii) where the Certificates are Debt Certificates, Currency Certificates or Commodity Certificates, provisions for determining the Averaging Date in the event of Modified Postponement applying will be set out in the applicable Final Terms,
- (iv) for the purposes of these Terms and Conditions “Valid Date” means a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day and on which another Averaging Date does not or is not deemed to occur;

“**Business Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the relevant Business Day Centre(s) and for the purposes of making payments in euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET) System is open and (i) where the Certificates are Global Certificates, a day on which the relevant Clearing System is open for business and (ii) where the Certificates are Private Placement Definitive Certificates, a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in New York;

“**Cash Settlement Amount**” means, in relation to Cash Settled Certificates, the amount to which the Holder is entitled in the Settlement Currency in relation to each such Certificate, as determined by the Calculation Agent pursuant to the provisions set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Clearing System**” means Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Euroclear and/or Euroclear France and/or DTC and/or any additional or alternative clearing system approved by the Issuer and the relevant Certificate Agent(s) from time to time and specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Disrupted Day**” means any Scheduled Trading Day on which a relevant Exchange or any Related Exchange fails to open for trading during its regular trading session or on which a Market Disruption Event has occurred;

“**Distribution Compliance Period**” means either the period expiring (i) 40 days after completion of the distribution of the relevant Certificates or (ii) such longer period as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**English Law Certificates**” means the Certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms as being governed by English law;

“**English Law Guarantee**” means a deed of guarantee dated 18 October 2005, executed by BNPP in respect of English Law Certificates issued by BNPP B.V.;

“**Entitlement**” means, in relation to a Physical Delivery Certificate, the quantity of the Relevant Asset or the Relevant Assets, as the case may be, which a Holder is entitled to receive on the Redemption Date in respect of each such Certificate following payment of any sums payable (including Expenses as defined in Condition 7(B)(1)) rounded down as provided in Condition 7(B)(3), as determined by the Calculation Agent including any documents evidencing such Entitlement;

“**Exchange**” means:

- (a) in respect of Index Certificates and in relation to an Index each exchange or quotation system specified as such for such Index in the applicable Final Terms, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in the securities/commodities comprising such Index has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to the securities/commodities comprising such Index on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Exchange); and
- (b) in respect of Share Certificates and in relation to a Share, each exchange or quotation system specified as such for such Share in the applicable Final Terms, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in the Share has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to such Share on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Exchange);

“**Exchange Business Day**” means any Scheduled Trading Day on which each Exchange and each Related Exchange are open for trading during their respective regular trading sessions, notwithstanding any such Exchange or Related Exchange closing prior to its Scheduled Closing Time;

“**French Law Certificates**” means the Certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms as being governed by French law;

“**French Law Guarantee**” means the *garantie* dated 18 October 2005, executed by BNPP in respect of French Law Certificates issued by BNPP B.V.;

“**Guarantee**” means the English Law Guarantee or the French Law Guarantee, as the case may be;

“**Local Time**” means local time in the city of the relevant Clearing System;

“**Related Exchange**” means, in respect of Index Certificates and in relation to an Index or in respect of Share Certificates and in relation to a Share, each exchange or quotation system specified as such for such Index or Share in the applicable Final Terms, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in futures or options contracts relating to such Index or Share has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to the futures or options contracts relating to such Index or such Share on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Related Exchange), provided that where “All Exchanges” is specified as the Related Exchange in the applicable Final Terms, “**Related Exchange**” shall mean each exchange or quotation system where trading has a material effect (as determined by the Calculation Agent) on the overall market for futures or options contracts relating to such Index or such Share;

“**Scheduled Closing Time**” means, in respect of an Exchange or Related Exchange and a Scheduled Trading Day, the scheduled weekday closing time of such Exchange or Related Exchange on such

Scheduled Trading Day, without regard to after hours or any other trading outside of the regular trading session hours;

“**Scheduled Trading Day**” means any day on which each Exchange and each Related Exchange are scheduled to be open for trading for their respective regular trading sessions;

“**Scheduled Valuation Date**” means any original date that, but for the occurrence of an event causing a Disrupted Day, would have been a Valuation Date;

“**Settlement Price**” means, in relation to each Cash Settled Certificate:

- (a) in respect of Index Certificates, subject to Condition 16(A) and as referred to in “Valuation Date” below or “Averaging Date” above, as the case may be:
 - (i) in the case of Index Certificates relating to a basket of Indices, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary amount in the Index Currency) equal to the sum of the values calculated for each Index as the official closing level for each Index as determined by the Calculation Agent or, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, the level of each Index determined by the Calculation Agent as set out in the applicable Final Terms at the Relevant Time on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date and, in either case, without regard to any subsequently published correction, multiplied by the relevant Multiplier; and
 - (ii) in the case of Index Certificates relating to a single Index, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary amount in the Index Currency) equal to the official closing level of the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent or, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index determined by the Calculation Agent as set out in the applicable Final Terms at the Relevant Time on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date and, in either case, without regard to any subsequently published correction;
- (b) in respect of Share Certificates, subject to Condition 16(B) and as referred to in “**Valuation Date**” below or “**Averaging Date**” above, as the case may be:
 - (i) in the case of Share Certificates relating to a basket of Shares, an amount equal to the sum of the values calculated for each Share at the official closing price (or the price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or an Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) quoted on the relevant Exchange for such Share (as defined in Condition 16(B)) on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date and, in either case, without regard to any subsequently published correction (or if in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, any such official closing price (or the price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) cannot be so determined and the Valuation Date or Averaging Date, as the case may be, is not a Disrupted Day, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be equal to the arithmetic mean of the closing fair market buying price (or the fair market buying price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) and the closing fair market selling price (or the fair market selling price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such

Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) for the relevant Share whose official closing price (or the price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) cannot be determined based, at the Calculation Agent's discretion, either on the arithmetic mean of the foregoing prices or middle market quotations provided to it by two or more financial institutions (as selected by the Calculation Agent) engaged in the trading of the relevant Share or on such other factors as the Calculation Agent shall decide), multiplied by the relevant Multiplier, each such value to be converted, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate and the sum of such converted amounts to be the Settlement Price, all as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent; and

- (ii) in the case of Share Certificates relating to a single Share, an amount equal to the official closing price (or the price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or an Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) quoted on the relevant Exchange for such Share on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date and, in either case, without regard to any subsequent published correction (or if, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, any such official closing price (or the price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) cannot be so determined and the Valuation Date or Averaging Date, as the case may be, is not a Disrupted Day, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be equal to the arithmetic mean of the closing fair market buying price (or the fair market buying price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) and the closing fair market selling price (or the fair market selling price at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms) for the Share based, at the Calculation Agent's discretion, either on the arithmetic mean of the foregoing prices or middle market quotations provided to it by two or more financial institutions (as selected by the Calculation Agent) engaged in the trading of the Share or on such other factors as the Calculation Agent shall decide), such amount to be converted, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate and such converted amount to be the Settlement Price, all as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;
- (c) in respect of Debt Certificates, subject as referred to in "Valuation Date" below or "Averaging Date" above:
 - (i) in the case of Debt Certificates relating to a basket of Debt Securities, an amount equal to the sum of the values calculated for each Debt Security at the bid price for such Debt Security as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent by reference to the bid price for such Debt Security appearing on the Relevant Screen Page at the Relevant Time on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date, or if such price is not available, the arithmetic mean of the bid prices for such Debt Security at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, as received by it from two or more market-makers (as selected by the Calculation Agent) in such Debt Security, such bid prices to be expressed as a

percentage of the notional amount of such Debt Security, multiplied by the relevant Multiplier;

- (ii) in the case of Debt Certificates relating to a single Debt Security, an amount equal to the bid price for the Debt Security as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent by reference to the bid price for such Debt Security appearing on the Relevant Screen Page at the Relevant Time on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date, or if such price is not available, the arithmetic mean of the bid prices for such Debt Security at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, as received by it from two or more market-makers (as selected by the Calculation Agent) in such Debt Security, such bid prices to be expressed as a percentage of the nominal amount of the Debt Security;
- (d) in respect of Currency Certificates:
- (i) in the case of Currency Certificates relating to a basket of Subject Currencies, an amount equal to the sum of the values calculated for each Subject Currency at the spot rate of exchange appearing on the Relevant Screen Page at the Relevant Time on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date, for the exchange of such Subject Currency into the Base Currency (expressed as the number of units (or part units) of such Base Currency for which one unit of the Subject Currency can be exchanged) or, if such rate is not available, the arithmetic mean (rounded, if necessary, to four decimal places (with 0.00005 being rounded upwards)) as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent of the bid and offer Subject Currency/Base Currency exchange rates (expressed as aforesaid) at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, of two or more leading dealers (as selected by the Calculation Agent) on a foreign exchange market (as selected by the Calculation Agent), multiplied by the relevant Multiplier; and
 - (ii) in the case of Currency Certificates relating to a single Subject Currency, an amount equal to the spot rate of exchange appearing on the Relevant Screen Page at the Relevant Time on (A) if Averaging is not specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Valuation Date or (B) if Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Averaging Date, for the exchange of such Subject Currency into the Base Currency (expressed as the number of units (or part units) of the Base Currency for which one unit of the Subject Currency can be exchanged) or, if such rate is not available, the arithmetic mean (rounded, if necessary, to four decimal places (with 0.00005 being rounded upwards)) as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent of the bid and offer Subject Currency/Base Currency exchange rates (expressed as aforesaid) at the Relevant Time on the Valuation Date or such Averaging Date, as the case may be, of two or more leading dealers (as selected by the Calculation Agent) on a foreign exchange market (as selected by the Calculation Agent);
- (e) in respect of Commodity Certificates, the provisions relating to the calculation of the Settlement Price will be set out in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Valuation Date**” means the Valuation Date specified in the applicable Final Terms or, if such day is not a Scheduled Trading Day, the immediately succeeding Scheduled Trading Day

unless, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, such day is a Disrupted Day. If such day is a Disrupted Day, then:

- (a) where the Certificates are Index Certificates relating to a single Index, Share Certificates relating to a single Share, Debt Certificates relating to a single Debt Security or Commodity Certificates relating to a single Commodity, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, unless each of the eight Scheduled Trading Days immediately following the Scheduled Valuation Date is a Disrupted Day. In that case, (i) that eighth Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day, and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Settlement Price in the manner set out in the applicable Final Terms or, if not set out or if not practicable, determine the Settlement Price:
 - (x) in the case of Index Certificates, by determining the level of the Index as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with (subject to Condition 16(A)(2)) the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day of each security/commodity comprised in the Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day has occurred in respect of the relevant security/commodity on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant security/commodity as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day); or
 - (y) in the case of Share Certificates, Debt Certificates or Commodity Certificates, in accordance with its good faith estimate of the Settlement Price as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day; or
- (b) where the Certificates are Index Certificates relating to a basket of Indices, Share Certificates relating to a basket of Shares, Debt Certificates relating to a basket of Debt Securities or Commodity Certificates relating to a basket of Commodities, the Valuation Date for each Index, Share, Debt Security or Commodity, as the case may be, not affected by the occurrence of a Disrupted Day shall be the Scheduled Valuation Date, and the Valuation Date for each Index, Share, Debt Security or Commodity affected, as the case may be, (each an “**Affected Item**”) by the occurrence of a Disrupted Day shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day relating to the Affected Item unless each of the eight Scheduled Trading Days immediately following the Scheduled Valuation Date is a Disrupted Day relating to the Affected Item. In that case, (i) that eighth Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date for the Affected Item, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day, and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Settlement Price using, in relation to the Affected Item, the level or value as applicable, determined in the manner set out in the applicable Final Terms, and, in the case of a Share, Debt Security or Commodity a price determined in the manner set out in the applicable Final Terms or, if not set out or if not practicable, using:
 - (x) in the case of an Index, the level of that Index as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating that Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the Valuation Time on that

eighth Scheduled Trading Day of each security/commodity comprised in that Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day has occurred in respect of the relevant security/commodity on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant security/commodity as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day); or

- (y) in the case of a Share, Debt Security or Commodity, its good faith estimate of the value for the Affected Item as of the Valuation Time on that eighth Scheduled Trading Day,

and otherwise in accordance with the above provisions; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the Relevant Time specified in the applicable Final Terms or, in the case of Index Certificates or Share Certificates, if no Relevant Time is specified, the Scheduled Closing Time on the relevant Exchange on the relevant Valuation Date or Averaging Date, as the case may be, in relation to each Index or Share to be valued. If the relevant Exchange closes prior to its Scheduled Closing Time and the specified Valuation Time is after the actual closing time for its regular trading session, then the Valuation Time shall be such actual closing time.

5 Interest

(A) *Interest Amount*

If so specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Certificate pays interest from and including the issue date of the Certificates at the Interest Rate payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date.

The amount of interest payable in respect of each Certificate on each Interest Payment Date will amount to the Interest Amount (as defined below) for the Interest Period (as defined below) ending on (but excluding) such Interest Payment Date.

If interest is required to be calculated for a period ending other than on (but excluding) an Interest Payment Date, it will be calculated on the basis of the number of days from and including the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the issue date of the Certificates) to but excluding the relevant payment date, and the relevant interest rate day count fraction as specified in the applicable Final Terms (the “**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**”).

(B) *Accrual of Interest*

Each Certificate will cease to accrue interest from and including its due date for redemption unless payment of the amount and/or delivery of any Entitlement due on redemption is improperly withheld or refused or unless default is otherwise made in respect of the payment or delivery in which case interest shall continue to accrue from the date such amount or delivery of such Entitlement was due until such amount or delivery of such Entitlement is paid or delivered, as the case may be. For the avoidance of doubt, no interest on the Certificates shall accrue beyond the Redemption Date (as defined below) in the event that delivery of any Entitlement is postponed due to the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event.

(C) *Definitions*

“**30/360 (Floating)**” or “**360/360**” or “**Bond Basis**” means the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 months each comprising 30 days each (unless (A) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a month comprising 30 days or (B) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in

which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a month comprising 30 days).

“**30E/360**” or “**Eurobond Basis**” means the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 months each comprising 30 days without regard to the date of the first day or last day of the Interest Period, unless in the case of an Interest Period ending on the Redemption Date, the Redemption Date is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a month comprising 30 days).

“**Actual/360**” means the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360.

“**Actual/365**” or “**Actual/Actual (ISDA)**” means the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of that Interest Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (A) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a leap year divided by 366; and (B) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365).

“**Actual/365 (Fixed)**” means the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365.

“**Interest Amount**” means, in respect of each Interest Period and each Certificate, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

Notional Amount per Certificate x Interest Rate x Interest Rate Day Count Fraction.

“**Interest Payment Date**” means, in respect of each Certificate, the dates specified in the applicable Final Terms for the payment of interest.

“**Interest Period**” means the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date.

6 Redemption of Certificates

Subject as provided in these Terms and Conditions and as specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Certificate will be redeemed by the Issuer:

- (i) in the case of a Cash Settled Certificate, by payment of the Cash Settlement Amount; or
- (ii) in the case of a Physical Delivery Certificate, subject as provided in Condition 7 below, by delivery of the Entitlement,

such redemption to occur in either case, subject as provided below, as specified in the applicable Final Terms relating to such Certificate (the “**Redemption Date**”). If (i) the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Certificates is not a Business Day, the holder thereof shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Business Day and shall not be entitled to any further payment in respect of such delay or (ii) the date for delivery of any Entitlement in respect of the Certificates is not a Settlement Business Day (as defined Below), the Holder thereof shall not be entitled to delivery of the Entitlement until the next following Settlement Business Day.

7 Payments and Physical Delivery

(A) Payments

Subject as provided below, the Issuer or, failing which, the Guarantor, if any, shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Settlement Amount (if any) for each Certificate by credit or transfer to the Holder’s account with the relevant Clearing System or the Definitive Certificate Agent, as the case may be, (in

the case of English Law Certificates) or with the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law Certificates) for value on the Redemption Date less any Expenses, such payment to be made in accordance with the rules of such Clearing System or the Definitive Certificate Agent, as the case may be or Account Holder.

Where the Certificates pay interest, subject as provided below, the Issuer, failing which, the Guarantor, if any, shall pay or cause to be paid the Interest Amount for each Certificate in respect of each Interest Payment Date by credit or transfer to the Holder's account with the relevant Clearing System or in the case of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, the office of the Definitive Certificate Agent, as the case may be, for value on the relevant Interest Payment Date, such payment to be made in accordance with the rules of such Clearing System or the Definitive Certificate Agent, as the case may be.

The Issuer or the Guarantor will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the relevant Clearing System or the Definitive Certificate Agent, as the case may be, or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder, in respect of the amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of the relevant Clearing System or the Definitive Certificate Agent, as the case may be, (in the case of English Law Certificates) or whose name appears in the account of the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law Certificates) as the holder of a particular amount of the Certificates must look solely to the relevant Clearing System or the Definitive Certificate Agent, as the case may be, or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder for his share of each such payment so made to, or to the order of, such Clearing System or the Definitive Certificate Agent, as the case may be or Account Holder.

In the case of Private Placement Definitive Certificates only, if a Holder has given wire transfer instructions to the Issuer and Definitive Certificate Agent, the Company will make all payments in accordance with those instructions.

Payments will be subject in all cases to any fiscal or other laws and regulations applicable thereto in the place of payment.

(B) Physical Delivery

(1) Asset Transfer Notices

In relation to Physical Delivery Certificates, in order to obtain delivery of the Entitlement(s) in respect of any Certificate, the relevant Holder must (A) in the case of Global Certificates held by a Common Depository on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, deliver to the Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, as the case may be, or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder, not later than 10.00 a.m. (Local Time), (B) in the case of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, DTC not later than 5.00 p.m., New York City time or (C) in the case of Certificates represented by Private Placement Definitive Certificates, the Definitive Certificate Agent, not later than 5.00 p.m., New York City time, as the case may be, or on the date (the "**Cut-off Date**") falling three Business Days prior to the Redemption Date with a copy to the relevant Certificate Agent, a duly completed asset transfer notice (an "**Asset Transfer Notice**") in the form set out in the Agency Agreement in accordance with the provisions set out in this Condition.

Copies of the Asset Transfer Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of any Certificate Agent.

In the case of Global Certificates, an Asset Transfer Notice may only be delivered in such manner as is acceptable to the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder, which is expected to be by authenticated SWIFT message or tested telex.

The Asset Transfer Notice shall:

- (i) specify the name, address and contact telephone number of the relevant Holder and the person from whom the Issuer may obtain details for the delivery of the Entitlement;
- (ii) specify the series number of the Certificates and the number of Certificates which are the subject of such notice;
- (iii) specify the number of the Holder's securities account at the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to be debited with such Certificates or, in the case of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, specify the designated account at DTC to be debited with such Certificates;
- (iv) irrevocably instruct the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to debit the relevant Holder's securities account with the relevant Certificates or, in the case of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, irrevocably instruct the New York Certificate Agent to debit the relevant Holder's account with the relevant Certificates;
- (v) include an undertaking to pay all Expenses and an authority to the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to debit a specified account of the Holder with the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder, in respect thereof and to pay such Expenses or, in the case of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, an authority to the New York Certificate Agent to debit a specified amount of the Holder and to pay such Expenses;
- (vi) include such details as are required by the applicable Final Terms for delivery of the Entitlement which may include account details and/or the name and address of any person(s) into whose name evidence of the Entitlement is to be registered and/or any bank, broker or agent to whom documents evidencing the Entitlement are to be delivered
 - (i) in the case of Certificates represented by a Regulation S Global Certificate or a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Common Depositary on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear, specify the name and number of the Holder's account with the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to be credited with any cash payable by the Issuer, either in respect of any cash amount constituting the Entitlement or any dividends relating to the Entitlement or as a result of the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event or a Failure to Deliver and the Issuer electing to pay the Disruption Cash Settlement Price or Failure to Deliver Cash Settlement Price, as applicable, or as a result of the Issuer electing to pay the Alternate Cash Amount, (ii) in the case of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, specify the details of the account to be credited with any cash payable by the Issuer, either in respect of any cash amount constituting the Entitlement or any dividends relating to the Entitlement or as a result of the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event or a Failure to Deliver and the Issuer electing to pay the Disruption Cash Settlement Price or Failure to Deliver Cash Settlement Price, as applicable, or as a result of the Issuer electing to pay the Alternate Cash Amount, or (iii) in the case of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, specify the details of the account to be credited with any cash payable by the Issuer, either in respect of any cash amount constituting the Entitlement or any dividends relating to the

Entitlement or as a result of the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event or a Failure to Deliver and the Issuer electing to pay the Disruption Cash Settlement Price or Failure to Deliver Cash Settlement Price, as applicable, or as a result of the Issuer electing to pay the Alternate Cash Amount;

- (vii) (A) in the case of Currency Certificates only, specify the number of the Holder's account to the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder to be credited with the amount due upon redemption of the Certificates or (B) in the case of Currency Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, specify the designated account at DTC to be credited with the amount due upon redemption of the Certificates;
- (viii) certify, in the case of Certificates represented by a Regulation S Global Certificate, that the beneficial owner of each Certificate is not a U.S. person (as defined in the Asset Transfer Notice), the Certificate is not being redeemed within the United States or on behalf of a U.S. person and no cash, securities or other property have been or will be delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person in connection with any redemption thereof and, where appropriate, undertake to provide such various forms of certification in respect of selling restrictions under the securities, commodities and other laws of the United States of America as indicated and set out in the applicable Final Terms;
- (ix) authorise the production of such certification in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings,

all as provided in the Agency Agreement.

If Condition 7(C) applies, the form of Asset Transfer Notice required to be delivered will be different from that set out above. Copies of such Asset Transfer Notice may be obtained from the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder and the relevant Certificate Agent.

(2) Verification of the Holder

Upon receipt of an Asset Transfer Notice, the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder shall verify that the person delivering the Asset Transfer Notice is the holder of the Certificates described therein according to its records. Subject thereto, the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder will confirm to the Principal Certificate Agent the series number and number of Certificates the subject of such notice, the relevant account details and the details for the delivery of the Entitlement of each Certificate. Upon receipt of such confirmation, the Principal Certificate Agent will inform the Issuer thereof. The relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder will on or before the Delivery Date debit the securities account of the relevant Holder with the relevant Certificates.

In the case of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, upon receipt of an Asset Transfer Notice, the New York Certificate Agent shall verify that the person delivering the Asset Transfer Notice is the Holder according to the records of DTC. Subject thereto, the New York Certificate Agent will confirm the series number and number of Certificates the subject of such notice, the relevant account details and the details for the delivery of the Entitlement of each Certificate. Upon receipt of such confirmation, the New York Certificate Agent will inform BNPP thereof. The New York

Certificate Agent will, on or before the Delivery Date, debit the account of the relevant Holder with the relevant Certificates.

In the case of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, upon receipt of an Asset Transfer Notice, the Definitive Certificate Agent shall verify that the person delivering the Asset Transfer Notice is the Holder according to the Private Placement Register. Subject thereto, the Definitive Certificate Agent will confirm the series number and number of Certificates the subject of such notice and the details for the delivery of the Entitlement of each Certificate. Upon receipt of such confirmation, the Definitive Certificate Agent will inform BNPP thereof. The Definitive Certificate Agent will, on or before the Delivery Date, update the Private Placement Register.

(3) Determinations and Delivery

Any determination as to whether an Asset Transfer Notice is duly completed and in proper form shall be made by (i) in the case of Global Certificates (other than Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC), the relevant Clearing System, (ii) in the case of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, the New York Certificate Agent, or (iii) in the case of Private Placement Definitive Certificates, the Definitive Certificate Agent, in each case, or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder, in consultation with the Principal Agent, and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, the Certificate Agents and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Asset Transfer Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Agent immediately after being delivered or sent to the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder, the New York Certificate Agent or the Definitive Certificate Agent, as provided in paragraph (1) above, shall be null and void.

If such Asset Transfer Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the relevant Clearing System, the New York Certificate Agent or the Definitive Certificate Agent or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder in consultation with the Principal Certificate Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Asset Transfer Notice submitted at the time such correction was delivered to the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder and the Agent.

The relevant Clearing System, the New York Certificate Agent or the Definitive Certificate Agent, as the case may be, or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the Holder submitting an Asset Transfer Notice if, in consultation with the Principal Certificate Agent, it has determined that such Asset Transfer Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, the Certificate Agents or the relevant Clearing System or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

No Asset Transfer Notice may be withdrawn after receipt thereof by the relevant Clearing System or the relevant Account Holder or the Definitive Certificate Agent, as the case may be, as provided above. After delivery of an Asset Transfer Notice, the relevant Holder may not transfer the Certificates which are the subject of such notice.

The Entitlement will be delivered at the risk of the relevant Holder, in the manner provided below on the Redemption Date (such date, subject to adjustment in accordance with this Condition, the “**Delivery Date**”), provided that the Asset Transfer Notice is duly delivered to

the relevant Clearing System or the Definitive Certificate Agent, as the case may be, or, as the case may be, the relevant Account Holder with a copy to the Principal Certificate Agent, as provided above on or prior to the Cut-Off Date.

If a Holder fails to give an Asset Transfer Notice as provided herein with a copy to the Principal Certificate Agent, on or prior to the Cut-Off Date, then the Entitlement will be delivered as soon as practicable after the Redemption Date (in which case, such date of delivery shall be the Delivery Date) at the risk of such Holder in the manner provided below. For the avoidance of doubt, in such circumstances such Holder shall not be entitled to any payment, whether of interest or otherwise, as a result of such Delivery Date falling after the Redemption Date and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer or the Guarantor, if any.

The Issuer shall at the risk of the relevant Holder, deliver or procure the delivery of the Entitlement for each Certificate, pursuant to the details specified in the Asset Transfer Notice or in such commercially reasonable manner as the Calculation Agent shall in its sole discretion determine and notify to the person designated by the Holder in the relevant Asset Transfer Notice. All Expenses arising from the delivery of the Entitlement in respect of such Certificates shall be for the account of the relevant Holder and no delivery of the Entitlement shall be made until all Expenses have been paid to the satisfaction of the Issuer by the relevant Holder.

(4) General

Certificates held by the same Holder will be aggregated for the purpose of determining the aggregate Entitlements in respect of such Certificates, provided that, the aggregate Entitlements in respect of the same Holder will be rounded down to the nearest whole unit of the Relevant Asset or each of the Relevant Assets, as the case may be, in such manner as the Calculation Agent shall determine. Therefore, fractions of the Relevant Asset or of each of the Relevant Assets, as the case may be, will not be delivered and no cash adjustment will be made in respect thereof.

Following the Delivery Date of a Share Certificate all dividends on the relevant Shares to be delivered will be payable to the party that would receive such dividend according to market practice for a sale of the Shares executed on the Delivery Date and to be delivered in the same manner as such relevant Shares. Any such dividends to be paid to a Holder will be paid to the account specified by the Holder in the relevant Asset Transfer Notice as referred to in Condition 7(B)(1)(f).

For such period of time after delivery of the Entitlement as the Issuer or any person acting on behalf of the Issuer shall continue to be the legal owner of the securities comprising the Entitlement (the “**Intervening Period**”), none of the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, the Calculation Agent nor any other person shall at any time (i) be under any obligation to deliver or procure delivery to any Holder any letter, certificate, notice, circular or any other document or, except as provided herein, payment whatsoever received by that person in respect of such securities or obligations, (ii) be under any obligation to exercise or procure exercise of any or all rights attaching to such securities or obligations or (iii) be under any liability to a Holder in respect of any loss or damage which such Holder may sustain or suffer as a result, whether directly or indirectly, of that person being registered during such Intervening Period as legal owner of such securities or obligations.

(5) Settlement Disruption

If, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, delivery of the Entitlement using the method of delivery specified in the applicable Final Terms or such commercially reasonable manner as the Calculation Agent has determined is not practicable by reason of a Settlement Disruption Event (as defined below) having occurred and continuing on the Delivery Date, then the Delivery Date shall be postponed to the first following Settlement Business Day in respect of which there is no such Settlement Disruption Event, provided that, the Issuer may elect in its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Certificate by delivering the Entitlement using such other commercially reasonable manner as it may select and in such event the Delivery Date shall be such day as the Issuer deems appropriate in connection with delivery of the Entitlement in such other commercially reasonable manner. For the avoidance of doubt, where a Settlement Disruption Event affects some but not all of the Relevant Assets comprising the Entitlement, the Delivery Date for the Relevant Assets not affected by the Settlement Disruption Event will be the originally designated Delivery Date. For so long as delivery of the Entitlement is not practicable by reason of a Settlement Disruption Event, then in lieu of physical settlement and notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Issuer may elect in its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Certificate by payment to the relevant Holder of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price (as defined below) on the fifth Business Day following the date that notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11. Payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred. No Holder shall be entitled to any payment in respect of the relevant Certificate in the event of any delay in the delivery of the Entitlement due to the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer or the Guarantor.

For the purposes hereof:

“**Disruption Cash Settlement Price**”, in respect of any relevant Certificate, shall be the fair market value of such Certificate (taking into account, where the Settlement Disruption Event affected some but not all of the Relevant Assets comprising the Entitlement and such non-affected Relevant Assets have been duly delivered as provided above, the value of such Relevant Assets), less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion;

“**Settlement Business Day**”, in respect of each Certificate, has the meaning specified in the applicable Final Terms relating to such certificate; and

“**Settlement Disruption Event**” means, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent or, if the proviso to Condition 3 applies, BNPP, an event beyond the control of the Issuer or, if the proviso to Condition 3 applies, BNPP as a result of which the Issuer or BNPP, as the case may be, cannot make delivery of the Relevant Asset(s) using the method specified in the applicable Final Terms.

(6) Failure to Deliver due to Illiquidity

If “Failure to Deliver due to Illiquidity” is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms and in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, it is impossible or impracticable to deliver, when due, some or all of the Relevant Assets (the “**Affected Relevant Assets**”) comprising the

Entitlement, where such failure to deliver is due to illiquidity in the market for the Relevant Assets (a “**Failure to Deliver**”), then:

- (i) subject as provided elsewhere in the Conditions, any Relevant Assets which are not Affected Relevant Assets, will be delivered on the originally designated Redemption Date in accordance with Condition 6; and
- (ii) in respect of any Affected Relevant Assets, in lieu of physical settlement and notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Issuer may elect in its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Certificate by payment to the relevant Holder of the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price (as defined below) on the fifth Business Day following the date that notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11. Payment of the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 that the provisions of this Condition 7(B)(5) apply.

For the purposes hereof:

“**Failure to Deliver Settlement Price**” in respect of any relevant Certificate shall be the fair market value of such Certificate (taking into account, the Relevant Assets comprising the Entitlement which have been duly delivered as provided above, the value of such Relevant Assets), less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion.

(C) Variation of Settlement

- (i) If the applicable Final Terms indicate that the Issuer has an option to vary settlement in respect of the Certificates (which, unless otherwise specified, will not apply to U.S. Certificates), the Issuer may at its sole and unfettered discretion in respect of each such Certificate, elect not to pay the relevant Holders the Cash Settlement Amount or to deliver or procure delivery of the Entitlement to the relevant Holders, as the case may be, but, in lieu thereof to deliver or procure delivery of the Entitlement or make payment of the Cash Settlement Amount on the Redemption Date to the relevant Holders, as the case may be. Notification of such election will be given to Holders in accordance with Condition 11.
- (ii) If specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer shall, in respect of each Certificate, in lieu of delivering or procuring the delivery of the Entitlement to the relevant Holders, make payment of the Cash Settlement Amount on the Redemption Date to the relevant Holders.

(D) Issuer’s Option to Substitute Assets or to pay the Alternate Cash Amount

Following a valid redemption of Certificates in accordance with these Conditions, the Issuer may, in its sole and absolute discretion in respect of such Certificates, if the Calculation Agent determines (in its sole and absolute discretion) that the Relevant Asset or Relevant Assets, as the case may be, comprises shares which are not freely tradable, elect either (i) to substitute for the Relevant Asset or the Relevant Assets, as the case may be, an equivalent value (as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion) of such other shares which the Calculation Agent determines, in its sole and absolute discretion, are freely tradable (the “**Substitute Asset**” or the “**Substitute Assets**”, as the case may be) or (ii) not to deliver or procure the delivery of the Entitlement or the Substitute Asset or Substitute Assets, as the case may be, to the relevant Holders, but in lieu thereof to make payment to the relevant Holders on the Settlement Date of an amount equal to the fair market value of the Entitlement on the Valuation Date as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute

discretion by reference to such sources as is considers appropriate (the “**Alternate Cash Amount**”). Notification of any such election will be given to Holders in accordance with Condition 11.

For purposes hereof, a “**freely tradable**” share shall mean (i) with respect to the United States, a share which is registered under the Securities Act or not restricted under the Securities Act and which is not purchased from the issuer of such share and not purchased from an affiliate of the issuer of such share or which otherwise meets the requirements of a freely tradable share for purposes of the Securities Act, in each case, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or (ii) with respect to any other jurisdiction, a share not subject to any legal restrictions on transfer in such jurisdiction.

(E) Rights of Holders and Calculations

None of the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Calculation Agent and the Certificate Agents shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Settlement Amount or of any Entitlement.

The purchase of Certificates does not confer on any holder of such Certificates any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attaching to any Relevant Asset.

(F) Prescription

Claims against the Issuer or the Guarantor, if any, for payment of principal or interest in respect of the Certificates shall become void unless made within 60 months from the Redemption Date and no claims shall be made after such date.

8 Illegality

If the Issuer determines that the performance of its obligations under the Certificates has become illegal in whole or in part for any reason, the Issuer may, on giving notice to Holders in accordance with Condition 11, redeem all but not some only of the Certificates.

If the Issuer redeems the Certificates early then the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Certificate held by such Holder an amount equal to the fair market value of a Certificate, notwithstanding such illegality less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11.

Should any one or more of the provisions contained in these Terms and Conditions be or become invalid, the validity of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected thereby.

9 Purchases

The Issuer may, but is not obliged to, at any time purchase Certificates at any price in the open market or by tender or private treaty. Any Certificates so purchased may be held or resold or surrendered for cancellation; provided, however, that Certificates so purchased may only be resold pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A, Regulation S or otherwise thereunder.

10 Certificate Agents, Determinations and Modifications

(A) Certificate Agents

The specified offices of each Certificate Agent is as set out at the end of these Terms and Conditions.

Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor, if any, reserves the right at any time to vary or terminate the appointment of any Certificate Agent and to appoint further or additional Certificate Agents, provided that no termination of appointment of the Agent shall become effective until a replacement Certificate Agent shall have been appointed and provided that, so long as any of the Certificates are listed on a stock exchange, there shall be an Agent having a specified office in each location required by the rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange. So long as any of the Certificates are Private Placement Definitive Certificates, there shall be a Definitive Certificate Agent, and so long as any of the Certificates are represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, there shall be a New York Certificate Agent. Notice of any termination of appointment and of any changes in the specified office of the Certificate Agent will be given to Holders in accordance with Condition 11. In acting under the Agency Agreement, the Certificate Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and the Guarantor and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders and any determinations and calculations made in respect of the Certificates by the Agent shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, and the respective Holders.

(B) Calculation Agent

In relation to each issue of Certificates, the Calculation Agent (whether it be BNP Paribas, BNP Paribas Arbitrage SNC or another entity) acts solely as agent of the Issuer and the Guarantor, if any, and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders. All calculations and determinations made in respect of the Certificates by the Calculation Agent shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, and the Holders. Because the Calculation Agent may be affiliate of the Issuers, potential conflicts of interest may exist between the Calculation Agent and the Holders, including with respect to certain determinations and judgments that the Calculation Agent must make. See “*Risk Factors — Potential Conflicts of Interest*” in the Base Prospectus for further information.

The Calculation Agent may, with the consent of the Issuer, delegate any of its obligations and functions to a third party as it deems appropriate.

(C) Determinations by the Issuer and the Guarantor

Any determination made by the Issuer or the Guarantor, if any, pursuant to these Terms and Conditions shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, and the Holders.

(D) Modifications

The Issuer may modify these Terms and Conditions and/or the Agency Agreement without the consent of the Holders in any manner which the Issuer may deem necessary or desirable provided that such modification is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Holders or such modification is of a formal, minor or technical nature or to correct a manifest or proven error or to cure, correct or supplement any defective provision contained herein and/or therein. Notice of any such modification will be given to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 but failure to give, or non-receipt of, such notice will not affect the validity of any such modification.

11 Notices

All notices to Holders shall be valid if (i) in the case of Global Certificates (other than Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC), delivered to the relevant Clearing System (in the case of English Law Certificates) or the relevant Account Holder (in the case of French Law

Certificates) for communication by them to the Holders, (ii) so long as the Certificates are listed on a stock exchange, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange, (iii) in the case of Certificates represented by a Rule 144A Global Certificate held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, to DTC, in each case for communication by it to the Holders and any such notices shall be conclusively presumed to have been received by the Holders, or (iv) in the case of Certificates represented by Private Placement Definitive Certificates, mailed to their registered addresses appearing in the Private Placement Register. If the Certificates are listed and admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, and so long as the rules of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange so require, notices shall be published in a daily newspaper with general circulation in Luxembourg which is expected to be the *d'Wort* or notices shall be made available on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange ("www.bourse.lu"). Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given on the second Business Day following such delivery or, if earlier, the date of such publication or, if published more than once, on the date of the first such publication.

12 Expenses and Taxation

- (A) A holder of Certificates must pay all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including any applicable depositary charges, transaction charges, stamp duty, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising from the redemption of the Certificates and/or the delivery or transfer of the Entitlement (as applicable) pursuant to the terms of the Certificates ("Expenses") relating to such Certificates as provided above.
- (B) The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty, withholding or other payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer or enforcement of any Certificate and all payments made by the Issuer shall be made subject to any such tax, duty, withholding or other payment which may be required to be made, paid, withheld or deducted.

13 Further Issues

The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of Holders to create and issue further Certificates so as to be consolidated with and form a single series with the outstanding Certificates.

14 Substitution of the Issuer or the Guarantor

- (A) Except in the case of U.S. Certificates, the Issuer, or any previous substituted company may, at any time, without the consent of the Holders, substitute for itself as principal obligor under the Certificates any company (the "**Substitute**"), being the Issuer or any other company, subject to:
 - (i) where the Substitute is not BNPP, BNPP unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteeing in favour of each Holder the performance of all obligations by the Substitute under the Certificates;
 - (ii) all actions, conditions and things required to be taken, fulfilled and done to ensure that the Certificates represent legal, valid and binding obligations of the Substitute having been taken, fulfilled and done and are in full force and effect;
 - (iii) the Substitute becoming party to the Agency Agreement, (unless the Substitute is a party to the Agency Agreement) with any appropriate consequential amendments, as if it had been an original party to it;
 - (iv) each stock exchange on which the Certificates are listed shall have confirmed that, following the proposed substitution of the Substitute, the Certificates will continue to be listed on such stock exchange;

- (v) if appropriate, the Substitute shall have appointed a process agent as its agent in England (in the case of English Law Certificates) or France (in the case of French Law Certificates) to receive service of process on its behalf in relation to any legal action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Certificates; and
 - (vi) the Issuer shall have given at least 30 days' prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11.
- (B) Where the Issuer is BNPP B.V., BNPP or any previous substituted company may, at any time, without the consent of the Holders, substitute for itself as guarantor in respect of the Certificates any company (the “**Substitute Guarantor**”), being BNPP or any other company, subject to:
- (i) the creditworthiness of the Substitute Guarantor at such time being at least equal to the creditworthiness of BNPP (or of any previous substitute under this Condition), as determined in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent by reference to, *inter alia*, the long-term senior debt ratings (if any) assigned by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw Hill Companies, Inc. and/or Moody's Investors Service Limited and/or Fitch Ratings Limited, or any successor rating agency or agencies thereto, to the Substitute Guarantor or, as the case may be, to BNPP (or to any previous substitute under this Condition);
 - (ii) the Substitute Guarantor having entered into a guarantee (the “**Substitute Guarantee**”) in respect of the Certificates in substantially the same form as the Guarantee and such other documents (if any) as may be necessary to give full effect to the substitution (the “**Documents**”) and (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) pursuant to which the Substitute Guarantor shall undertake in favour of each Holder to be bound by these Terms and Conditions and the provisions of the Agency Agreement as fully as if the Substitute Guarantor had been named in these Terms and Conditions, the Documents and the Agency Agreement as the guarantor in respect of the Certificates in place of BNPP (or of any previous substitute under this Condition);
 - (iii) the Substitute Guarantee and the Documents having been delivered to BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch to be held by BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch for so long as any Certificates remain outstanding and for so long as any claim made against the Substitute Guarantor or the Issuer by any Holder in relation to the Certificates, the Substitute Guarantee or the Documents shall not have been finally adjudicated, settled or discharged;
 - (iv) each stock exchange on which the Certificates are listed having confirmed that following the proposed substitution of the Substitute Guarantor (or of any previous substitute under this Condition) it will continue to list the Certificates;
 - (v) if appropriate, the Substitute Guarantor having appointed a process agent as its agent in England (in the case of English Law Certificates) or France (in the case of French Law Certificates) to receive service of process on its behalf in relation to any legal action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Certificates or the Substitute Guarantee; and
 - (vi) BNPP (or any previous substitute under this Condition) having given at least 30 days' prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11.

15 Governing Law

(A) *English Law Certificates*

The English Law Certificates, the English Law Agency Agreement and the English Law Guarantee are governed by and shall be construed in accordance with English law.

- (i) This Condition is for the benefit of the Holders of English Law Certificates only. Subject as provided below, the courts of England shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle all disputes that may, directly or indirectly, arise out of or in connection with the English Law Certificates and the English Law Guarantee and consequently each of the Issuer and the Guarantor submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts to hear all suits, actions or proceedings (together hereafter termed the “**Proceedings**”) relating to any such dispute. Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor waives any objection to the courts of England on the grounds that they are an inconvenient or inappropriate forum. Nothing in this clause shall limit the right of the Holders to take any Proceedings against the Issuer and/or the BNPP B.V. Guarantor in any other court of competent jurisdiction and concurrent Proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.
- (ii) Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor hereby appoints BNP Paribas, London branch at its registered office at 10 Harewood Avenue, London NW1 6AA, as its or their agent in England to receive service of process in any Proceedings in England relating to the English Law Certificates and the English Law Guarantee, as the case may be. If for any reason such process agent ceases to act as such or no longer has an address in England, each of the Issuer and the BNPP B.V. Guarantor agrees to appoint a substitute process agent and to notify the Holders of English Law Certificates of such appointment. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

(B) *French Law Certificates*

The French Law Certificates, the French Law Agency Agreement and the French Law Guarantee are governed by, and construed in accordance with French law, and any action or proceeding in relation thereto (“**Proceedings**”) shall be submitted to the jurisdiction of the competent courts in Paris within the jurisdiction of the Paris Court of Appeals (*Cour d’Appel de Paris*). Nothing in this clause shall limit the right of the Holders to take Proceedings against the Issuer and/or the Guarantor in any other court of competent jurisdiction and concurrent Proceedings in any number of jurisdictions. BNPP B.V. elects domicile at the registered office of BNP Paribas currently located at 16 boulevard des Italiens, 75009 Paris.

16 Terms for Index Certificates, Share Certificates, Debt Certificates and Commodity Certificates

(A) *Index Certificates*

For the purposes of this Condition 16(A):

“**Indices**” and “**Index**” mean, subject to adjustment in accordance with this Condition 16(A), the indices or index specified in the applicable Final Terms and related expressions shall be construed accordingly; and

“**Index Sponsor**” means, in relation to an Index, the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any related to such Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of such Index on a

regular basis during each Scheduled Trading Day, which as of the issue date of the Certificate is the index sponsor specified for such Index in the applicable Final Terms.

(1) Market Disruption

“**Market Disruption Event**” means, in relation to Certificates relating to a single Index or basket of Indices, in respect of an Index:

- (a) the occurrence or existence at any time during the one hour period that ends at the Valuation Time:
 - (i) of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise and whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise;
 - (ii) on any relevant Exchange(s) relating to securities/commodities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index; or
 - (iii) in futures or options contracts relating to the relevant Index on any relevant Related Exchange;
 - (iv) of any event (other than an event described in (b) below) that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Calculation Agent) the ability of market participants in general (A) to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, on any relevant Exchange(s) securities/commodities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index, or (B) to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, futures or options contracts relating to the relevant Index on any relevant Related Exchange,
 - (v) which in either case the Calculation Agent determines is material; or
- (b) the closure on any Exchange Business Day of any relevant Exchange(s) relating to securities/commodities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index or any Related Exchange(s) prior to its Scheduled Closing Time unless such earlier closing time is announced by such Exchange(s) or such Related Exchange(s), as the case may be, at least one hour prior to (A) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on such Exchange(s) or such Related Exchange(s) on such Exchange Business Day or, if earlier, (B) the submission deadline for orders to be entered into the Exchange or Related Exchange system for execution at the Valuation Time on such Exchange Business Day.

For the purposes of determining whether a Market Disruption Event in respect of an Index exists at any time, if a Market Disruption Event occurs in respect of a security/commodity included in the Index at any time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security/commodity to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (i) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security/commodity and (ii) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before the occurrence of such Market Disruption Event.

The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 of the occurrence of a Disrupted Day on any day that, but for the occurrence of a Disrupted Day would have been an Averaging Date or a Valuation Date.

(2) Adjustments to an Index

(a) Successor Index Sponsor Calculates and Reports an Index

If a relevant Index is (i) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor sponsor acceptable to the Calculation Agent, or (ii) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of that Index, then in each case that index (the Successor Index) will be deemed to be the Index.

(b) Modification and Cessation of Calculation of an Index

If (i) on or prior to a Valuation Date or an Averaging Date the relevant Index Sponsor makes or announces that it will make a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating a relevant Index or in any other way materially modifies that Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain that Index in the event of changes in constituent stock and capitalisation, contracts or commodities and other routine events) (an “**Index Modification**”), or permanently cancels a relevant Index and no Successor Index exists (an “**Index Cancellation**”), or (ii) on a Valuation Date or an Averaging Date the Index Sponsor or (if applicable) the Successor Index Sponsor fails to calculate and announce a relevant Index (an “**Index Disruption**” and, together with an Index Modification and an Index Calculation, each an “**Index Adjustment Event**”), then

- (i) the Calculation Agent shall determine if such Index Adjustment Event has a material effect on the Certificates and, if so, shall calculate the relevant Settlement Price using, in lieu of a published level for that Index, the level for that Index as at the Valuation Time on that Valuation Date or that Averaging Date, as the case may be, as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating that Index last in effect prior to the change, failure or cancellation, but using only those securities/commodities that comprised that Index immediately prior to that Index Adjustment Event; or
- (ii) on giving notice to Holders in accordance with Condition 11, the Issuer shall redeem all but not some only of the Certificates, each Certificate being redeemed by payment of an amount equal to the fair market value of a Certificate taking into account the Index Adjustment Event, less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11.

(c) Notice

The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable, notify the relevant Certificate Agent of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraph (b) above and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto and such Certificate Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations.

(B) *Share Certificates*

For the purposes of this Condition 16(B):

“**Basket Company**” means a company whose shares are included in the basket of Shares and “**Basket Companies**” means all such companies;

“**Shares**” and “**Share**” mean, subject to adjustment in accordance with this Condition 16(B), in the case of an issue of Certificates relating to a basket of Shares, each share and, in the case of an issue of Certificates relating to a single Share, the share, specified in the applicable Final Terms and related expressions shall be construed accordingly; and

“**Share Company**” means, in the case of an issue of Certificates relating to a single Share, the company that has issued such share.

(1) Market Disruption

“**Market Disruption Event**” means, in relation to Certificates relating to a single Share or a basket of Shares, in respect of a Share:

- (a) the occurrence or existence any time during the one hour period that ends at the Valuation Time for such Share:
 - (i) of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise and whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant Exchange or any Related Exchange or otherwise:
 - (A) relating to the Share on the Exchange; or
 - (B) in futures or options contracts relating to the Share on any relevant Related Exchange; or
 - (ii) of any event (other than as described in (b) below) that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Calculation Agent) the ability of market participants in general (A) to effect transactions, in or obtain market values for, the Share on the Exchange or (B) to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, futures or options contracts on or relating to the Share on any relevant Related Exchange;
 - (iii) which in either case the Calculation Agent determines is material; or
- (b) the closure on any Exchange Business Day of the relevant Exchange or any Related Exchange(s) prior to its Scheduled Closing Time unless such earlier closing time is announced by such Exchange(s) or such Related Exchange(s), as the case may be, at least one hour prior to (A) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on such Exchange(s) or such Related Exchange(s) on such Exchange Business Day or, if earlier, (B) the submission deadline for orders to be entered into the Exchange or Related Exchange system for execution at the Valuation Time on such Exchange Business Day.

The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 of the occurrence of a Disrupted Day on any day that, but for the occurrence of a Disrupted Day, would have been an Averaging Date or a Valuation Date.

(2) Potential Adjustment Events, Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation and Insolvency

- (a) “**Potential Adjustment Event**” means any of the following:

- (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless resulting in a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of any such Shares to existing Holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue;
- (ii) a distribution, issue or dividend to existing Holders of the relevant Shares of (a) such Shares or (b) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, equally or proportionately with such payments to Holders of such Shares or (c) share capital or other securities of another issuer acquired or owned (directly or indirectly) by the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, as a result of a spin-off or other similar transaction or (d) any other type of securities, rights or certificates or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or in other consideration) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent;
- (iii) an extraordinary dividend as determined by the Calculation Agent;
- (iv) a call by a Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid;
- (v) a repurchase by the Basket Company or its subsidiaries or Share Company or its subsidiaries, as the case may be, of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise;
- (vi) in respect of a Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, an event that results in any shareholder rights being distributed or becoming separated from shares of common stock or other shares of the capital stock of such Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, pursuant to a shareholder rights plan or arrangement directed against hostile takeovers that provides upon the occurrence of certain events for a distribution of preferred stock, certificates, debt instruments or stock rights at a price below their market value as determined by the Calculation Agent, provided that any adjustment effected as a result of such an event shall be readjusted upon any redemption of such rights; or
- (vii) any other event having, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

Following the declaration by the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will, in its sole and absolute discretion, determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares and, if so, will (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect (provided that no adjustments will be made to account solely for changes in volatility, expected dividends, stock loan rate or liquidity relative to the relevant Share) and (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange.

Upon the making of any such adjustment by the Calculation Agent, the Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11, stating the adjustment to any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

- (b) “**De-Listing**” means, in respect of any relevant Shares, the Exchange announces that pursuant to the rules of such Exchange, such Shares cease (or will cease) to be listed, traded or publicly quoted on the Exchange for any reason (other than a Merger Event or Tender Offer) and are not immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on an exchange or quotation system located in the same country as the Exchange (or, where the Exchange is within the European Union, in a member state of the European Union).

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy, insolvency, dissolution or winding-up of or any analogous proceeding affecting the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, (i) all the Shares of that Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, are required to be transferred to a trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) Holders of the Shares of that Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, become legally prohibited from transferring them.

“**Merger Date**” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“**Merger Event**” means, in respect of any relevant Shares, any (i) reclassification or change of such Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such Shares outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such Shares outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares of the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such Shares (other than such Shares owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Basket Company or its subsidiaries or the Share Company or its subsidiaries, as the case may be, with or into another entity in which the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such Shares outstanding but results in the outstanding Shares (other than Shares owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding Shares immediately following such event, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before (a) in the case of Cash Settled Certificates, the last occurring Valuation Date or where Averaging is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the final Averaging Date in respect of the relevant Certificate or (b) in the case of Physical Delivery Certificates, the relevant Maturity Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares or all or substantially all the assets of the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority, entity or instrumentality thereof.

“**Tender Offer**” means a takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person that results in such entity or person purchasing, or otherwise obtaining or having the right to obtain, by conversion or other means, greater than 10 per cent. and less than 100 per cent. of the outstanding voting shares of the Basket Company or Share Company, as the case may be, as determined by the Calculation Agent, based upon the making of filings with governmental or self-regulatory agencies or such other information as the Calculation Agent deems relevant.

If a Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to a Share, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below:

- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms to account for the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The relevant adjustments may include, without limitation, adjustments to account for changes in volatility, expected dividends, stock loan rate or liquidity relevant to the Shares or to the Certificates. The Calculation Agent may (but need not) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange; or
- (ii) in the case of Share Certificates relating to a basket of Shares redeem the Certificates in part by giving notice to Holders in accordance with Condition 11. If the Certificates are so redeemed in part the portion (the “**Redeemed Amount**”) of each Certificate representing the affected Share(s) shall be redeemed and the Issuer will (i) pay to each Holder in respect of each Certificate held by him an amount equal to the fair market value of the Redeemed Amount, taking into account the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion; and (ii) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms to account for such redemption in part. For the avoidance of doubt the remaining part of each Certificate after such cancellation and adjustment shall remain outstanding with full force and effect. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11;
- (iii) on giving notice to Holders in accordance with Condition 11, redeem all but not some only of the Certificates, each Certificate being redeemed by payment of an amount equal to the fair market value of a Certificate taking into account the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11; or

- (iv) following such adjustment to the settlement terms of options on the Shares traded on such exchange(s) or quotation system(s) as the Issuer in its sole discretion shall select (the Options Exchange), require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any one or more of any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Options Exchange. If options on the Shares are not traded on the Options Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any one or more of any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Options Exchange to account for the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Options Exchange if such options were so traded.
- (c) Upon the occurrence of a Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Issuer shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 stating the occurrence of the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, giving details thereof and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

(C) *Debt Certificates*

Market Disruption

“**Market Disruption Event**” shall mean the suspension of or limitation imposed on trading either on any exchange on which the Debt Securities or any of them (in the case of a basket of Debt Securities) are traded or on any exchange on which options contracts or futures contracts with respect to the Debt Securities or any of them (in the case of a basket of Debt Securities) are traded if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material.

The Issuer shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

(D) *Commodity Certificates*

Market Disruption

“**Market Disruption Event**” shall mean the suspension of or limitation imposed on trading on either any exchange on which the Commodity or any of the Commodities (in the case of a basket of Commodities) are traded or on any exchange on which options contracts or futures contracts with respect to the Commodity or any of the Commodities (in the case of a basket of Commodities) are traded if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material.

The Issuer shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

(E) *Additional Disruption Events*

- (a) “**Additional Disruption Event**” means any of Change of Law, Hedging Disruption, Increased Cost of Hedging, Increased Cost of Stock Borrow, Insolvency Filing and/or Loss of Stock Borrow, in each case if specified in the applicable Final Terms.

“Change in Law” means that, on or after the Trade Date (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) (A) due to the adoption of or any change in any applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, any tax law), or (B) due to the promulgation of or any change in the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation (including any action taken by a taxing authority), the Issuer determines in its sole and absolute discretion that (X) it has become illegal to hold, acquire or dispose of any relevant Share (in the case of Share Certificates) or any relevant security/commodity comprised in an Index (in the case of Index Certificates) or (Y) it will incur a materially increased cost in performing its obligations in relation to the Certificates (including, without limitation, due to any increase in tax liability, decrease in tax benefit or other adverse effect on the tax position of the Issuer and/or any of its Affiliates).

“Hedging Disruption” means that the Issuer and/or any of its Affiliates is unable, after using commercially reasonable efforts, to (A) acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of any transaction(s) or asset(s) it deems necessary to hedge the equity or other price risk of the Issuer issuing and performing its obligations with respect to the Certificates, or (B) realise, recover or remit the proceeds of any such transaction(s) or asset(s).

“Hedging Shares” means the number of Shares (in the case of Share Certificates) or securities/commodities comprised in an Index (in the case of Index Certificates) that the Issuer deems necessary to hedge the equity or other price risk of entering into and performing its obligations with respect to the Certificates.

“Increased Cost of Hedging” means that the Issuer and/or any of its Affiliates would incur a materially increased (as compared with circumstances existing on the Trade Date) amount of tax, duty, expense or fee (other than brokerage commissions) to (A) acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of any transaction(s) or asset(s) it deems necessary to hedge the equity or other price risk of the Issuer issuing and performing its obligations with respect to the Certificates, or (B) realise, recover or remit the proceeds of any such transaction(s) or asset(s), provided that any such materially increased amount that is incurred solely due to the deterioration of the creditworthiness of the Issuer and/or any of its Affiliates shall not be deemed an Increased Cost of Hedging.

“Increased Cost of Stock Borrow” means that the Issuer and/or any of its Affiliates would incur a rate to borrow any Share (in the case of Share Certificates) or any security/commodity comprised in an Index (in the case of Index Certificates) that is greater than the Initial Stock Loan Rate.

“Initial Stock Loan Rate” means, in respect of a Share (in the case of Share Certificates) or a security/commodity comprised in an Index (in the case of Index Certificates), the initial stock loan rate specified in relation to such Share, security or commodity in the applicable Final Terms.

“Insolvency Filing” means that a Share Company or Basket Company institutes or has instituted against it by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organisation or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, or it consents to a proceeding seeking a judgement of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors’ rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official or it consents to such a petition, provided that proceedings instituted or petitions presented by creditors and not

consented to by the Share Company or Basket Company shall not be deemed an Insolvency Filing.

“**Loss of Stock Borrow**” means that the Issuer and/or any Affiliate is unable, after using commercially reasonable efforts, to borrow (or maintain a borrowing of) any Share (in the case of Share Certificates) or any securities/commodities comprised in an Index (in the case of Index Certificates) in an amount equal to the Hedging Shares at a rate equal to or less than the Maximum Stock Loan Rate.

“**Maximum Stock Loan Rate**” means, in respect of a Share (in the case of Share Certificates) or a security/commodity comprised in an Index (in the case of Index Certificates), the Maximum Stock Loan Rate specified in the applicable Final Terms.

- (b) If an Additional Disruption Event occurs, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i) or (ii) below:
 - (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of any Relevant Asset and/or the Entitlement and/or the Multiplier and/or any of the other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the applicable Final Terms to account for the Additional Disruption Event and determine the effective date of that adjustment; or
 - (ii) on giving notice to Holders in accordance with Condition 11, redeem all but not some only of the Certificates, each Certificate being redeemed by payment of an amount equal to the fair market value of a Certificate taking into account the Additional Disruption Event less the cost to the Issuer and/or its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11.
- (c) Upon the occurrence of an Additional Disruption Event, the Issuer shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11 stating the occurrence of the Additional Disruption Event, giving details thereof and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

17 Adjustments for European Monetary Union

The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders, on giving notice to the Holders in accordance with Condition 11:

- (i) elect that, with effect from the Adjustment Date specified in the notice, certain terms of the Certificates shall be redenominated in euro;

The election will have effect as follows:

- (A) where the Settlement Currency of the Certificates is the National Currency Unit of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union, such Settlement Currency shall be deemed to be an amount of euro converted from the original Settlement Currency into euro at the Established Rate, subject to such provisions (if any) as to rounding as the Issuer may decide, after consultation with the Calculation Agent, and as may be specified in the notice, and after the Adjustment Date, all payments of the Cash Settlement Amount in respect of the Certificates will be made solely in euro as though references in the Certificates to the Settlement Currency were to euro;

- (B) where the Exchange Rate and/or any other terms of these Terms and Conditions are expressed in or, in the case of the Exchange Rate, contemplate the exchange from or into, the currency (the “**Original Currency**”) of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union, such Exchange Rate and/or any other terms of these Terms and Conditions shall be deemed to be expressed in or, in the case of the Exchange Rate, converted from or, as the case may be into, euro at the Established Rate; and
 - (C) such other changes shall be made to these Terms and Conditions as the Issuer may decide, after consultation with the Calculation Agent to conform them to conventions then applicable to instruments expressed in euro; and/or
- (ii) require that the Calculation Agent make such adjustments to the Multiplier and/or the Settlement Price and/or any other terms of these Terms and Conditions and/or the Final Terms as the Calculation Agent, in its sole discretion, may determine to be appropriate to account for the effect of the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union on the Multiplier and/or the Settlement Price and/or such other terms of these Terms and Conditions.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, none of the Issuer, the Guarantor, if any, the Calculation Agent and the Certificate Agents shall be liable to any Holder or other person for any commissions, costs, losses or expenses in relation to or resulting from the transfer of euro or any currency conversion or rounding effected in connection therewith;

In this Condition, the following expressions have the following meanings:

“**Adjustment Date**” means a date specified by the Issuer in the notice given to the Holders pursuant to this Condition which falls on or after the date on which the country of the Original Currency first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty;

“**Established Rate**” means the rate for the conversion of the Original Currency (including compliance with rules relating to rounding in accordance with applicable European Community regulations) into euro established by the Council of the European Union pursuant to first sentence of Article 1091(4) of the Treaty;

“**euro**” means the currency introduced at the start of the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty;

“**National Currency Unit**” means the unit of the currency of a country, as those units are defined on the day before the date on which the country of the Original Currency first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union; and

“**Treaty**” means the treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

18 Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

The English Law Certificates do not confer on a third party any right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of such Certificates but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from that Act.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

The net proceeds from each issue of Securities will become part of the general funds of BNPP B.V. or BNPP, as the case may be. Such proceeds may be used to maintain positions in options or futures contracts or other hedging instruments.

FORM OF THE ENGLISH LAW GUARANTEE

THIS GUARANTEE is made by way of deed poll on [●] [2005] by BNP Paribas (“**BNPP**”) in favour of the holders for the time being of the Securities (as defined below) (each a “**Holder**”).

WHEREAS:

- (A) BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V. (“**BNPP B.V.**”) and BNPP have entered into an Amended and Restated Agency Agreement (the “**Agency Agreement**”, which expression includes the same as it may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time) dated [●] [2005] with BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch as agent, BNP Paribas Arbitrage SNC as [calculation] agent and BNP Paribas Securities (Japan) Limited, Tokyo Branch as registrar (the “**Registrar**”) under which, *inter alia*, BNPP B.V. proposes to issue from time to time warrants and certificates governed by English law (the “**Securities**”) of any kind including, but not limited to, Securities relating to a specified index or a basket of indices, a specified share or a basket of shares, a specified debt security or basket of debt securities, a specified currency or basket of currencies or a specified commodity or basket of commodities. BNPP intends to guarantee the obligations of BNPP B.V. under the Securities.
- (B) Terms defined in the Terms and Conditions of the Securities, as amended and/or supplemented by the applicable Final Terms (the “**Conditions**”) and/or the Agency Agreement and not otherwise defined in this Deed of Guarantee shall have the same meanings when used in this Guarantee.

NOW THIS DEED WITNESSES as follows:

1 Guarantee

Subject as provided below, BNPP unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees by way of deed poll to each Holder that, if for any reason BNPP B.V. does not pay any sum payable by it or perform any other obligation in respect of any Security on the date specified for such payment or performance BNPP will, in accordance with the Conditions pay that sum in the currency in which such payment is due in immediately available funds or, as the case may be, perform or procure the performance of the relevant obligation on the due date for such performance. In case of the failure of BNPP B.V. to satisfy such obligations as and when the same become due, BNPP hereby undertakes to make or cause to be made such payment or satisfy or cause to be satisfied such obligations as though BNPP were the principal obligor in respect of such obligation after a demand has been made on BNPP pursuant to clause 8 hereof PROVIDED THAT (A) in the case of Physical Delivery Securities where BNPP B.V. has the obligation, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the relevant Security, to deliver the Entitlement, notwithstanding that BNPP B.V. had the right to vary settlement in respect of such Physical Delivery Securities in accordance with Condition 5(D) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Warrants) and Condition 7(C) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Certificates) and exercised such right or failed to exercise such right, BNPP will have the right at its sole and unfettered discretion to elect not to deliver or procure delivery of the Entitlement to the Holders of such Physical Delivery Securities, but in lieu thereof, to make payment in respect of each such Physical Delivery Securities of an amount equal to the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount calculated pursuant to the terms of the relevant Final Terms (the “**Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount**”) and (B) in the case of Securities where the obligations of BNPP B.V. which fall to be satisfied by BNPP constitute the delivery of the Entitlement to the Holders, BNPP will as soon as practicable following BNPP B.V.’s failure to satisfy its obligations under such Securities deliver or procure delivery of such Entitlement using the method of delivery specified in the applicable Final Terms provided that, if in the opinion of BNPP, delivery of the Entitlement using such method is not practicable by reason of (i) a Settlement Disruption Event (as defined in Condition 5(C)(2) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Warrants) or Condition 7(B)(4) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Certificates) or (ii) a Failure to Deliver (as defined in Condition 5(C)(3) (in the event that the

relevant Securities are Warrants) or Condition 7(B)(6) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Certificates)) (if “Failure to Deliver due to Illiquidity” is specified as applying in the applicable Final Terms), in lieu of such delivery BNPP will make payment in respect of each such Security of, in the case of (i) above, the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount or, in the case of (ii) above, the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price (as defined in Condition 5(C)(3) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Warrants) or Condition 7 (in the event that the relevant Securities are Certificates)). Any payment of the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount or the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price, as the case may be, in respect of a Security shall constitute a complete discharge of the BNPP’s obligations in respect of such Security.

2 BNPP as Principal Obligor

As between BNPP and the holder of each Security but without affecting BNPP B.V.’s obligations, BNPP will be liable under this Guarantee as if it were the sole principal obligor and not merely a surety. Accordingly, it will not be discharged, nor will its liability be affected, by anything which would not discharge it or affect its liability if it were the sole principal obligor (including (1) any time, indulgence, waiver or consent at any time given to BNPP B.V. or any other person, (2) any amendment to any of the Conditions or to any security or other guarantee or indemnity, (3) the making or absence of any demand on BNPP B.V. or any other person for payment or performance of any other obligation in respect of any Security, (4) the enforcement or absence of enforcement of any Security or of any security or other guarantee or indemnity, (5) the release of any such security, guarantee or indemnity, (6) the dissolution, amalgamation, reconstruction or reorganisation of BNPP B.V. or any other person, or (7) the illegality, invalidity or unenforceability of or any defect in any provision of the Conditions, the Agency Agreement or any of BNPP B.V.’s obligations under any of them).

3 BNPP’s Obligations Continuing

BNPP’s obligations under this Guarantee are and will remain in full force and effect by way of continuing security until no sum remains payable and no other obligation remains to be performed under any Security (in the case where the relevant Security is a Warrant, subject to its exercise). Furthermore, those obligations of BNPP are additional to, and not instead of, any security or other guarantee or indemnity at any time existing in favour of any person, whether from BNPP or otherwise. BNPP irrevocably waives all notices and demands of any kind.

4 Discharge by BNPP B.V.

If any payment received by, or other obligation discharged to or to the order of, the holder of any Security is, on the subsequent bankruptcy or insolvency of BNPP B.V., avoided under any laws relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, such payment or obligation will not be considered as having discharged or diminished the liability of BNPP and this Guarantee will continue to apply as if such payment or obligation had at all times remained owing due by BNPP B.V.

5 Indemnity

As a separate and alternative stipulation, BNPP unconditionally and irrevocably agrees (1) that any sum or obligation which, although expressed to be payable or deliverable under the Securities, is for any reason (whether or not now existing and whether or not now known or becoming known to BNPP B.V., BNPP or any Holder) not recoverable from BNPP on the basis of a guarantee will nevertheless be recoverable from it as if it were the sole principal obligor and will be paid or performed by it in favour of the Holder on demand and (2) as a primary obligation to indemnify each Holder against any loss suffered by it as a result of any sum or obligation expressed to be payable or deliverable under the Securities not being paid or performed by the time, on the date and otherwise in the manner specified in the Securities or any obligation of BNPP B.V. under the Securities being or becoming void, voidable or unenforceable for any reason (whether or not now existing and whether or not known or becoming known to BNPP B.V., BNPP or any Holder), in the case of a

payment obligation the amount of that loss being the amount expressed to be payable by BNPP B.V. in respect of the relevant sum, PROVIDED THAT the proviso to Clause 2 of this Guarantee shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to this clause 5.

6 Incorporation of Terms

BNPP agrees that it shall comply with and be bound by those provisions contained in the Conditions which relate to it.

7 Deposit of Guarantee

This Guarantee shall be deposited with and held by BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg for the benefit of the Holders.

8 Demand on BNPP

Any demand hereunder shall be given in writing addressed to BNPP served at its head office at 16 boulevard des Italiens, 75009 Paris, France, attention: Legal and Transaction Management Group. A demand so made shall be deemed to have been duly made five Paris Business Days (as used herein, Paris Business Day means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open for business in Paris) after the day it was served or if it was served on a day that was not a Paris Business Day or after 5.30 p.m. (Paris time) on any day, the demand shall be deemed to be duly made five Paris Business Days after the Paris Business Day immediately following such day.

9 Governing law

This Guarantee shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English law.

10 Jurisdiction

This Clause is for the benefit of the Holders only. Subject as provided below, the courts of England shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may, directly or indirectly, arise out of or in connection with this Guarantee and accordingly BNPP submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts to hear all suits, actions or proceedings (together hereafter termed the “**Proceedings**”) relating to any such dispute. BNPP waives any objection to the courts of England on the grounds that they are an inconvenient or inappropriate forum. Nothing in this Clause shall limit the rights of the Holders to take any Proceedings against BNPP in any other court of competent jurisdiction and concurrent Proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.

11 Service of Process

BNPP agrees that service of process in England may be made on it at its London branch. Nothing in this Guarantee shall affect the right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

12 Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

No rights are conferred on any person under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Guarantee, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available from that Act.

IN WITNESS whereof this Guarantee has been executed by BNPP as a deed poll and delivered on the date first above-mentioned.

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FORM OF THE FRENCH LAW GUARANTEE

THIS GUARANTEE is made by BNP Paribas (“**BNPP**”) in favour of the holders for the time being of the Securities (as defined below) (each a “**Holder**”).

WHEREAS:

- (A) BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V. (“**BNPP B.V.**”) and BNPP have entered into an Amended and Restated Agency Agreement (the “Agency Agreement”, which expression includes the same as it may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time) dated [●] 2005 with BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch as agent and BNP Paribas Arbitrage SNC as [calculation] agent and BNP Paribas Securities (Japan) Limited, Tokyo Branch as registrar (the “**Registrar**”) under which, *inter alia*, BNPP B.V. proposes to issue from time to time warrants and certificates governed by French law (the “**Securities**”) of any kind including, but not limited to, Securities relating to a specified index or a basket of indices, a specified share or a basket of shares, a specified debt security or basket of debt securities, a specified currency or basket of currencies or a specified commodity or basket of commodities. BNPP intends to guarantee the obligations of BNPP B.V. under the Securities.
- (B) Terms defined in the Terms and Conditions of the Securities, as amended and/or supplemented by the applicable Final Terms (the “**Conditions**”) and/or the Agency Agreement and not otherwise defined in this Guarantee shall have the same meanings when used in this Guarantee.

1 Guarantee

Subject as provided below, BNPP unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees to each Holder that, if for any reason BNPP B.V. does not pay any sum payable by it or perform any other obligation in respect of any Security on the date specified for such payment or performance BNPP will, in accordance with the Conditions pay that sum in the currency in which such payment is due in immediately available funds or, as the case may be, perform or procure the performance of the relevant obligation on the due date for such performance PROVIDED THAT (A) in the case of Physical Delivery Securities where BNPP B.V. has the obligation, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the relevant Security, to deliver the Entitlement, notwithstanding that BNPP B.V. had the right to vary settlement in respect of such Physical Delivery Securities in accordance with Condition 5(D) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Warrants) and Condition 7(C) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Certificates) and exercised such right or failed to exercise such right, BNPP will have the right at its sole and unfettered discretion to elect not to deliver or procure delivery of the Entitlement to the Holders of such Physical Delivery Securities, but in lieu thereof, to make payment in respect of each such Physical Delivery Securities of an amount equal to the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount calculated pursuant to the terms of the relevant Pricing Supplement (the “**Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount**”) and (B) in the case of Securities where the obligations of BNPP B.V. which fall to be satisfied by BNPP constitute the delivery of the Entitlement to the Holders, BNPP will as soon as practicable following BNPP B.V.'s failure to satisfy its obligations under such Securities deliver or procure delivery of such Entitlement using the method of delivery specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement provided that, if in the opinion of BNPP, delivery of the Entitlement using such method is not practicable by reason of (i) a Settlement Disruption Event (as defined in Condition 5(C)(2) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Warrants) or Condition 7(B)(4) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Certificates) or (ii) a Failure to Deliver (as defined in Condition 5(C)(3) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Warrants) or Condition 7(B)(6) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Certificates)) (if "Failure to Deliver due to Illiquidity" is specified as applying in the applicable Pricing Supplement), in lieu of such delivery BNPP will make payment in respect of each such

Security of, in the case of (i) above, the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount or, in the case of (ii) above, the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price (as defined in Condition 5(C)(3) (in the event that the relevant Securities are Warrants) or Condition 7 (in the event that the relevant Securities are Certificates)). Any payment of the Guaranteed Cash Settlement Amount or the Failure to Deliver Settlement Price, as the case may be, in respect of a Security shall constitute a complete discharge of the BNPP's obligations in respect of such Security.

2 Joint liability of BNPP and BNPP B.V.

BNPP hereby acknowledges, absolutely and without right to claim the benefit of any legal circumstances amounting to an exemption from liability or a guarantor's defence, that it is bound by the obligations specified below. Accordingly, BNPP acknowledges that it will not be released from liability, nor will its liability be reduced, at any time, by extension or grace periods regarding payment or performance, any waiver or any consent granted to BNPP B.V. or to any other person, or by the failure of any execution proceedings brought against BNPP B.V. or any other person. Furthermore, BNPP acknowledges that (1) it will not be relieved of its obligations in the event that BNPP B.V.'s obligations become void for reasons relating to BNPP B.V.'s capacity, limitation of powers or lack thereof (including any lack of authority of persons having entered into contracts in the name, or on behalf, of BNPP B.V.), (2) its obligations under this Guarantee will remain valid and in full effect notwithstanding the dissolution, merger, takeover or reorganisation of BNPP B.V., as well as the opening of insolvency proceedings (*procédures collectives*), or any other proceedings similar to receivership or liquidation proceedings, in respect of BNPP B.V., (3) it will not avail itself of any subrogation rights in respect of the Holders' rights and that it will take no steps to enforce any rights or demands against BNPP B.V., so long as any amounts remain due; or any obligation remains unperformed, under the Securities, (4) its duties under this Guarantee will not be conditional on or subject to the validity or execution of any other security granted by BNPP B.V. or any other person to the Holders, or to the existence or creation of any security for the benefit of the Holders, and (5) neither the notification of, nor the serving of a formal request upon, BNPP B.V. or any other person is a prior condition to a payment or performance by BNPP under this Guarantee.

3 BNPP's continuing liability

BNPP's obligations under this Guarantee will remain valid and in full effect so long as any amounts remain outstanding, or any obligation remains unperformed, under the Securities.

4 BNPP B.V. repayment

If a payment received by, or other obligation discharged to or to the order of, any Holder is declared null and void under any rule relating to insolvency proceedings (*procédures collectives*), or any other procedure similar to the receivership or liquidation of BNPP B.V., such payment or obligation will not reduce BNPP's obligations and this Guarantee will continue to apply as if such payment or obligation had always been due from BNPP B.V..

5 Conditions binding

BNPP declares (i) that it has full knowledge of the provisions of the Conditions, (ii) that it will comply with them and (iii) that it will be bound by them.

6 Duration of the Guarantee

This Guarantee is granted for one year as of the date of its signature.

7 Demand on BNPP

Any demand hereunder shall be given in writing addressed to BNPP served at its head office at 16 Boulevard des Italiens, 75009 Paris, France, attention: Legal and Transaction Management Group. A demand so made shall be deemed to have been duly made five Paris Business Days (as used herein, Paris Business Day means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open for business in Paris) after the day it was served or if it was served on a day that was not a Paris Business Day or after 5.30 p.m. (Paris time) on any day, the demand shall be deemed to be duly made five Paris Business Days after the Paris Business Day immediately following such day.

8 Governing law and jurisdiction

This Guarantee is governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, French law. For the exclusive benefit of the Holders, BNPP acknowledges that the competent courts within the jurisdiction of the Paris Court of Appeals (*Cour d'Appel de Paris*) will be competent to settle any litigation or proceedings (“**Proceedings**”) relating to this Guarantee. Nothing in this Clause shall limit the rights of the Holders to take any Proceedings against BNPP in any other court of competent jurisdiction and concurrent Proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.

Executed in Paris in [no of originals], on [●] 2005

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAMME

Under the Programme, the Issuers may from time to time issue Securities. The issue price, issue date, exercise price, exercise period, redemption date (if any) applicable to any Securities and any other relevant provisions of such Securities will be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

DESCRIPTION OF BNP PARIBAS ARBITRAGE ISSUANCE B.V.

1 Name, registered office and date of incorporation

(1) The legal and commercial name of the company is:

BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V. (formerly SOCAGEF BV) (“**BNPP B.V.**”).

(2) BNPP B.V. is a limited company under Dutch law (“*besloten vennootschap met beperkte aansprakelijkheid*”), having its registered office at Herengracht 477, NL - 1017 B5 Amsterdam, the Netherlands and registered with the Commercial Register under number 33215278 (telephone number: + 31 20 5501234).

(3) BNPP B.V. was incorporated on 10 November 1989 with unlimited duration.

2 Business Overview

BNPP B.V.’s objects (as set out in Article 3 of its Articles of Association) are:

- (a) to borrow, lend out and collect monies, including but not limited to the issue of debentures, share purchase warrants, certificates of debt and other securities or debt instruments, to issue and acquire financial instruments of any nature and to enter into related agreements;
- (b) to finance enterprises and companies;
- (c) to establish and to in any way participate in, manage and supervise enterprises and companies;
- (d) to offer advice and to render services to enterprises and companies with which the company forms a group of companies, and to third parties;
- (e) to grant security, to bind the company and to encumber assets of the company for the benefit of enterprises and companies with which the company forms a group of companies, and of third parties;
- (f) to acquire, manage, exploit and dispose of registered property and asset value in general;
- (g) to trade in currencies, securities and asset value in general;
- (h) to exploit and trade in patents, trademark rights, licences, know-how and other industrial rights of ownership;
- (i) to engage in industrial, financial and commercial activities of any nature, and all other things as may be deemed incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, in the broadest sense of the word; and
- (j) BNPP B.V. does not have any markets in which it competes.

3 Share capital

The authorised share capital is composed of 225,000 Euro divided into 225,000 shares of one Euro each. The issued share capital is 45,379 Euro, divided in 45,379 shares of one Euro each.

All shares are ordinary registered shares and fully paid up and no share certificates have been issued.

4 Management

4.1 Management Board

The management of BNPP B.V. is composed of a Management Board with one or several members appointed by the general meeting of shareholders.

4.2 Duties of the Management Board

Within the limits of the constitutional documents, the Management Board is responsible for the management of BNPP B.V.

4.3 Delegation of management

BNP Paribas is the sole shareholder of BNPP B.V. By an agreement dated 27 December 2000 entitled “Management and Indemnity Agreement”, BNP Paribas has delegated the management of BNPP B.V. to BNP Paribas Trust B.V., a company established and existing under the laws of the Netherlands, with its registered office at Herengracht 477, NL - 1017 BS, Amsterdam. Messrs. Gauvin, Niessen, Sijssling, Van der Velden, Directors of BNP Paribas Trust B.V. have been empowered by BNP Paribas Trust B.V. to take all necessary measures in relation to the issue of securities of BNPP B.V.

5 Accounts

5.1 Drawing up of annual accounts

The financial year is the calendar year.

5.2 Adoption of annual accounts

The general meeting of shareholders adopts the annual accounts.

6 Material Investments

BNPP B.V. has made no material investment since the date of its last published financial statements and, as at the date of this Base Prospectus, its Board of Directors has made no firm commitments on such material investments in the future.

7 Organisational Structure

BNPP B.V. is a wholly owned subsidiary of BNP Paribas.

BNPP B.V. is dependent upon BNP Paribas in that BNP Paribas issues a guarantee for any issue of notes for which BNPP B.V. acts as issuer.

8 Administrative, Management, and Supervisory Bodies

8.1 Names, Business Addresses, Functions and Principal Outside Activities

As at the date of this Base Prospectus, the names, functions and principal activities performed by it outside BNPP B.V. which are significant with respect to BNPP B.V. of the only Director of BNPP B.V. are:

Name	Function	Principal Outside Activities
BNP Paribas Trust BV	Managing Director	Providing corporate management services to Dutch companies belonging to corporate or private clients

The business address of each of the members of the Board of Directors is Herengracht 477, NL – 1017 BS, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

8.2 Administrative, Management, and Supervisory Bodies Conflicts of Interests

As at the date of this Base Prospectus, the above-mentioned members of the Board of Directors of BNPP B.V. do not have potential conflicts of interests, material to the Securities, between any duties to BNPP B.V. and their private interests or other duties.

9 Board Practices

9.1 Audit Committee

BNPP B.V. does not itself have an audit committee. However, BNPP B.V. is part of the BNP Paribas Group which has an audit committee that reviews the annual consolidated financial statements of BNPP B.V.

9.2 Corporate Governance

According to the Decree of 23 December 2004, pursuant to section 391 paragraph 4 of book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code, the code of conduct ("*Nederlandse corporate governance code*") only applies to listed companies. BNPP B.V. is not listed and therefore the code does not apply. Accordingly, BNPP B.V. is not required to make any disclosure regarding compliance with the code.

10 Selected Historical Financial Information Concerning BNPP B.V.'s Asset and Liabilities, Financial Position and Profits and Losses

The following selected historical financial information is extracted from the 2004 financial statements of BNPP B.V. as published in the BNPP B.V. Annual Report 2004, the 2004 financial statements of BNPP B.V. as published in the BNPP B.V. Annual Report 2004 and the 2005 interim financial statements of BNPP B.V., each of which is incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus. Such information should be read and analysed together with the relevant notes included in such documents.

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BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V.

Amsterdam
The Netherlands

BALANCE SHEET AT JUNE 30, 2005

(before appropriation of the net result)

	30.06.2005	30.06.2004
	EUR	EUR
ASSETS		
Financial fixed assets		
OTC contracts	3,077,698,791	885,638,844
Current assets		
OTC contracts	4,025,009,236	5,060,744,985
Receivables	705,215	727,691
Bank	372,031	126,239
	<u>4,026,086,482</u>	<u>5,061,598,915</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>7,103,785,273</u></u>	<u><u>5,947,237,759</u></u>
SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Capital and reserves		
Share capital issued and paid up	45,379	45,379
Retained earnings.....	54,786	7,025
Result for the period.....	15,458	36,923
	<u>115,623</u>	<u>89,327</u>
Long term liabilities		
Securities premiums	3,077,698,791	885,638,844
Current liabilities		
Securities premiums	4,025,009,236	5,060,744,985
Other liabilities.....	961,623	764,603
	<u>4,025,970,859</u>	<u>5,061,509,588</u>
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	<u><u>7,103,785,273</u></u>	<u><u>5,947,237,759</u></u>

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

	Period 1 January up to and including 30 June 2005	Period 1 January up to and including 30 June 2004
	<i>EUR</i>	<i>EUR</i>
Operating income		
Result securities	3,376,619,451	4,417,749,602
Result OTC contracts	(3,376,619,451)	(4,417,749,602)
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Other income.....	227,860	300,425
	<u>227,860</u>	<u>300,425</u>
Issuing expenses		
Reimbursed issuing expenses.....	718,343	869,029
Disbursements for issuing activities.....	(718,343)	(869,029)
	<u>227,860</u>	<u>227,860</u>
Gross margin		
Operating costs.....	(207,145)	(248,656)
Net financial result.....	461	(182)
	<u>21,176</u>	<u>51,587</u>
Profit before taxation	21,176	51,587
Corporate income tax	(5,718)	(14,664)
Profit after taxation	<u>15,458</u>	<u>36,923</u>

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

	Period 1 January up to and including 30 June 2005	Period 1 January up to and including 30 June 2004
	<i>EUR</i>	<i>EUR</i>
Cash flow from operating activities		
Issuing of securities against OTC coverage	0	0
Received reimbursed issuing expenses	912,954	688,439
Received reimbursed general operating costs	146,300	0
Received interest & paid similar expenses.....	166	(182)
Paid disbursements for issuing activities	(778,408)	(628,865)
Paid operating costs	(179,055)	(301,249)
Paid corporate income tax.....	(7,011)	0
Cash flow from operating activities	<u>94,946</u>	<u>(241,857)</u>
Cash flow from investment activities	0	0
Cash flow from financing activities	0	0
Net cash flow	<u>94,946</u>	<u>(241,857)</u>
Exchange and translation differences on cash and cash equivalents..	0	0
Increase/(decrease) of cash and cash equivalents	<u>94,946</u>	<u>(241,857)</u>
Movements in cash and cash equivalents		
Cash and cash equivalents at January 1	277,085	368,096
In/(decrease) cash and cash equivalents.....	94,946	(241,857)
Cash and cash equivalents at June 30	<u>372,031</u>	<u>126,239</u>

Netting agreements between the Company and entities of the BNP Paribas Group have been drawn up for all flows resulting from securities and OTC's to avoid that payments have to be made for these flows. This procedure is reflected in the cash flow statement under the heading "Issuing of securities against OTC coverage".

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BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V.

Amsterdam
The Netherlands

BALANCE SHEET

(after appropriation of the net result)

	At December 31,	
	2004	2003
	<i>(EUR)</i>	
ASSETS		
EUR Financial fixed assets		
OTC contracts	1,335,531,477	435,293,517
Current assets		
OTC contracts	3,730,626,769	4,311,600,749
Receivables	629,560	246,675
Bank	277,085	368,096
	<u>3,731,533,414</u>	<u>4,312,215,520</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>5,067,064,891</u>	<u>4,747,509,037</u>
SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Capital and reserves		
Share capital issued and paid up	45,379	45,379
Retained earnings	54,786	7,025
Long term liabilities	100,165	52,404
Securities premiums	1,335,531,477	435,293,517
Current liabilities		
Securities premiums	3,730,626,769	4,311,600,749
Other liabilities	806,480	562,367
	<u>3,731,433,249</u>	<u>4,312,163,116</u>
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	<u>5,067,064,891</u>	<u>4,747,509,037</u>

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

	For the year ended December 31,	
	2004	2003
	<i>(EUR)</i>	
Operating income		
Result securities	9,483,299,095	8,362,074,703
Result OTC contracts	(9,483,299,095)	(8,362,074,703)
	0	0
Other income.....	490,175	254,156
	<u>490,175</u>	<u>254,156</u>
Issuing expenses		
Reimbursed issuing expenses.....	1,664,904	1,283,240
Disbursements for issuing activities.....	(1,664,904)	(1,283,24)
Gross margin	490,175	254,156
Operating costs	(421,156)	(252,206)
Net financial result.....	(887)	250
Result before taxation	<u>68,132</u>	<u>2,200</u>
Corporate income tax	(20,371)	(988)
Result after taxation	<u><u>47,761</u></u>	<u><u>1,212</u></u>

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	For the year ended December 31,	
	2004	2003
	<i>(EUR)</i>	
Issuing of securities against OTC coverage	0	0
Received reimbursed issuing expenses	1,368,147	1,272,696
Received reimbursed operating costs	403,475	206,444
Received interest & paid similar expenses	(887)	181
Paid disbursements for issuing activities	(1,357,880)	(1,198,515)
Paid operating costs	(496,749)	(206,878)
Paid corporate income tax	(7,117)	(857)
Cash flow from operating activities	(91,011)	73,071
Cash flow from investment activities	0	0
Cash flow from financing activities	0	0
Net cash flow	(91,011)	73,071
Exchange and translation differences on cash and cash equivalents ..	0	0
Increase of cash and cash equivalents	(91,011)	73,071
Movements in cash and cash equivalents:		
Cash and cash equivalents at January 1	368,096	295,025
In/(decrease) cash and cash equivalents	(91,011)	73,071
Cash and cash equivalents at December 31	277,085	368,096

Netting agreements between the Company and entities of the BNP Paribas Group have been drawn up for all flows resulting from securities and OTC's to avoid that payments have to be made for these flows. This procedure is reflected in the cash flow statement under the heading "Issuing of securities against OTC coverage".

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BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V.

Amsterdam
The Netherlands

BALANCE SHEET AT DECEMBER 31, 2003

(after appropriation of the net result)

	<u>31.12.2003</u>	<u>31.12.2002</u>
	<i>EUR</i>	<i>EUR</i>
ASSETS		
Financial fixed assets		
OTC contracts.....	435,293,517	110,600,000
Current assets		
OTC contracts.....	4,311,600,749	4,743,697,140
Receivables.....	246,675	195,240
Bank	368,096	295,025
	<u>4,312,215,520</u>	<u>4,744,187,405</u>
TOTAL ASSETS.....	<u>4,747,509,037</u>	<u>4,744,187,405</u>
 Shareholder's Equity and Liabilities		
Capital and reserves		
Share capital issued and paid up.....	45,379	45,379
Retained earnings	7,025	5,813
	<u>52,404</u>	<u>51,192</u>
Long term liabilities		
Securities premiums	435,293,517	110,600,000
Current liabilities		
Securities premiums	4,311,600,749	4,743,697,140
Other liabilities.....	562,367	439,073
	<u>4,312,163,116</u>	<u>4,744,136,213</u>
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	<u>4,747,509,037</u>	<u>4,854,787,405</u>

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

	2003	2002
	<i>EUR</i>	<i>EUR</i>
Operating income		
Results securities	8,362,074,703	4,863,723,590
Results OTC	(8,362,074,703)	(4,863,723,590)
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Other income	254,156	200,944
Issuing expenses		
Reimbursed issuing expenses	1,283,240	843,478
Disbursements for issuing activities	(1,283,240)	(832,418)
Gross margin	<u>254,156</u>	<u>212,004</u>
Operating costs	(252,206)	(150,968)
Net financial result	<u>250</u>	<u>483</u>
Result before taxation	<u>2,200</u>	<u>61,519</u>
Corporate income tax	(988)	(1,881)
Result after taxation	<u><u>1,212</u></u>	<u><u>59,638</u></u>

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

	2003	2002
	<i>EUR</i>	<i>EUR</i>
Issuing of securities/OTC.....	0	0
Received reimbursed issuing expenses	1,272,696	914,617
Received reimbursed general operating expenses.....	206,444	65,678
Received interest & paid similar expenses.....	181	483
Paid disbursements for issuing activities	(1,198,515)	(628,198)
Paid operating costs	(206,878)	(63,816)
Paid corporate income tax.....	(857)	(1,305)
Cash flow from operating activities	73,071	287,459
Cash flow from investment activities	0	0
Cash flow from financing activities	0	0
Net cash flow	73,071	287,459
Exchange and translation differences on cash and cash equivalents.....	0	0
Increase of cash and cash equivalents	73,071	287,459
Movements in cash and cash equivalents:		
Cash and cash equivalents at January 1	295,025	7,566
In/decrease cash and cash equivalents	73,071	287,459
Cash and cash equivalents at December 31	368,096	295,025

BNP PARIBAS GROUP

Legal Status and Form of BNP Paribas

BNP Paribas is a French société anonyme registered with the *Registre du Commerce et des Sociétés* in Paris under number 662 042 449 (APE business identifier code: 651 C), licensed to conduct banking operations under the Monetary and Financial Code (*Code Monétaire et Financier; Livre V, Titre 1^{er}*). The Bank was founded pursuant to a decree dated 26 May 1966. BNP Paribas is domiciled in France; its registered office is located at 16, boulevard des Italiens - 75009 Paris, France (telephone number: (+)33 1 40 14 45 46). BNP Paribas is governed by banking regulations, the provisions of the Commercial Code applicable to trading companies and by its Articles of Association. The Bank's purpose (Article 3 of the Articles of Association) is to provide and conduct the following services with any legal entity or individual, in France and abroad, subject to compliance with the laws and regulations applicable to credit institutions licensed by the *Comité des Établissements de Crédit et des Entreprises d'Investissement*: any investment services, any services related to investment activities, any banking activities, any transactions related to banking activities, any purchase of an ownership interest, within the meaning of Book III, Title 1 relating to bank transactions, and Title II relating to investments services and their ancillary services, of the Monetary and Finance Code. The Bank was incorporated on 17 September 1993 for a period of 99 years. Each financial year begins on 1 January and ends on 31 December.

Business Overview

The Group (of which BNP Paribas is the parent company) is one of the top global players in financial services, conducting retail, corporate and investment banking, private banking, asset management, insurance and specialised and other financial activities throughout the world. According to rankings published in July 2004 by *The Banker* (based on 2003 figures):

- based on total assets, the Group was the second largest banking group in France, the fifth largest in Europe, and the seventh largest in the world; and
- based on Tier 1 capital, the Group was the second, fourth and tenth largest banking group in France, Europe and the world, respectively.

The Group is a leading European provider of corporate and investment banking products and services and a leading provider of private banking and asset management products and services throughout the world. It provides retail banking and financial services to over 20 million individual customers throughout the world, in particular in Europe and the western United States.

The Group has offices in more than 85 countries. At 31 December 2004, the Group had consolidated assets of €905.9 billion (compared to €783.1 billion at 31 December 2003), consolidated gross total customer items of €266.9 billion (compared to €231.5 billion at 31 December 2003), consolidated customer deposits (including retail and negotiable certificates of deposit) of €328.3 billion (compared to €282.6 billion at 31 December 2003) and shareholders' equity (Group share including income for the 2004 fiscal year) of €30.2 billion (compared to €28.3 billion at 31 December 2003). Net income, before taxes, non-recurring items and amortisation of goodwill for the year ended 31 December 2004 was €7.6 billion (compared to €6.3 billion for the year ended 31 December 2003). Net income, Group share, for the year ended 31 December 2004 was €4.7 billion (compared to €3.8 billion for the year ended 31 December 2003).

The Bank currently has long-term senior debt ratings of "Aa2" with stable outlook from Moody's, "AA" with stable outlook from Standard & Poor's and "AA" with stable outlook from Fitch Ratings. Moody's has also assigned the Bank a Bank Financial Strength rating of "B+" and Fitch Ratings has assigned the Bank an individual rating of "A/B."

The Group has three divisions: Retail Banking, Asset Management and Services and Corporate and Investment Banking. Operationally, these divisions are organised into five core businesses (French Retail Banking, International Retail Banking and Financial Services, Asset Management and Services, Corporate and Investment Banking and BNP Paribas Capital).

Except where otherwise specified, all financial information and operating statistics are presented as of 31 December 2004.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Since the date of the Information Statement, the following recent developments have occurred.

Acquisition of Commercial Federal Corporation in the USA

BNP Paribas announced on 14 June 2005 that it took a further step in its expansion strategy in the Western US through BancWest, its wholly owned subsidiary.

BancWest announced on 14 June 2005 that its subsidiary, Bank of the West, has reached an agreement to acquire Commercial Federal Corporation (“**Commercial Federal**”), a NYSE listed company (CFB), headquartered in Omaha, Nebraska.

BancWest currently operates through 541 branches in 17 Western states, primarily California and Hawaii. It operates under the brands of First Hawaiian Bank in Hawaii, and Bank of the West on the Western US Mainland. Commercial Federal operates through 198 branches in 7 states.

This transaction underscores BNP Paribas’ expansion strategy in US retail banking and its disciplined acquisition policy. Following the transaction, BancWest will have in excess of 4.2 million accounts and 739 branches, enhancing its presence in high growth markets. BancWest will operate in 20 states with 100 million inhabitants, and benefit from some of the strongest demographic growth trends in the US.

On Monday 13 June 2005, the Board of Directors of Commercial Federal approved an agreement for the sale of 100 per cent. of the company to Bank of the West. The transaction was also approved by the boards of BNP Paribas, BancWest and Bank of the West. Commercial Federal shareholders will receive at closing U.S.\$34.5 per share, of which a cash payment of U.S.\$34.0 from BancWest and U.S.\$0.5 as a special one-time dividend. In total, this U.S.\$1.36 billion (1.12 billion Euros) purchase price represents a 27 per cent. premium to the average closing stock price of Commercial Federal over the past six months, and is equivalent to 14.8 times 2006 consensus earnings and 1.8 times book value as at 31 March 2005. Subsequent to the transaction, all Commercial Federal activities will continue under the Bank of the West brand.

In 2004, Commercial Federal reported total revenues of US \$382 million, net income of U.S.\$76 million, and a RoE of 10.1 per cent. The bank had U.S.\$10.4 billion of assets as of 31 March 2005. Bank of the West will accelerate the growth of the franchise, by enhancing product offering, increasing sales efficiency, generating pre-tax revenue synergies estimated at U.S.\$12 million in 2007, net of associated costs.

The merger will also generate significant pre-tax cost synergies estimated at U.S.\$54 million, decreasing the cost-income ratio of Commercial Federal towards Bank of the West standard, creating shareholder value from 2006 onwards. The transaction presents limited execution risk given BancWest’s proven integration track record and the similarity between both banks’ business models and operating systems.

The transaction, recommended by the Board of Directors of Commercial Federal, is currently subject to approval by Commercial Federal’s shareholders and by various regulatory agencies in the US. The transaction is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2005.

Capitalisation of the group

At 10 May 2005, there was a decrease in the share capital of 27 million euro as compared with the amounts shown in the 31 December 2004 audited financial statements as a result of the issuance of 518,758 new shares under the Group’s stock option plans and the cancellation of 13,994,568 shares.

At 31 March 2005, as a result of private placements pursuant to Euro and US Medium Term Note programs and the issuance of medium term notes in France, BNP Paribas has issued, between 1 January 2005 and 31 March 2005, medium to long term debt for 5,332 million euro equivalent, measured in accordance with

French GAAP, as compared with the amounts shown in the Note 16 (*Bonds issue*) and Note 20 (*Subordinated Debt*) of the 31 December 2004 audited financial statements of the Group.

MANAGEMENT OF THE BANK

Board of Directors

Pursuant to the by-laws of the Bank, the business affairs of the Bank are administered by the Board of Directors, which is composed of a total of not less than nine nor more than 18 directors (excluding directors elected by employees). The Board of Directors currently comprises 13 directors, plus three additional directors elected, in accordance with the terms of the by-laws, by employees of the Bank. In accordance with French law, the directors of the Bank may be removed at any time, with or without cause. Each director is elected or appointed for a term of three years. The Board of Directors elects a chairman from among its members and also establishes the term of the appointment of the Chairman that may not exceed the period or remaining period, as the case may be, of the Chairman's appointment as a member of the Board of Directors.

The aggregate compensation paid to members of the Board of Directors, in their capacity as such, during the year ended 31 December 2004 was €0.4 million.

The names, functions, business addresses and principal activities* performed by them outside the Bank which are significant with respect to the Bank of the current members of the Board of Directors of the Bank are as follows (as at 31 December 2004, except where specified):

NAME	FUNCTION	BUSINESS ADDRESS	PRINCIPAL OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES
Michel Pébereau.....	Chairman, BNP Paribas	3, rue d'Antin, 75002 PARIS, France	<p>Director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lafarge • Saint-Gobain • Total • <i>BNP Paribas UK Holdings Ltd, United Kingdom</i> <p>Member of the Supervisory Board of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Axa</i> • <i>Banque Marocaine pour le Commerce et l'Industrie, Morocco</i> <p>Non-voting director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Société Anonyme des Galeries Lafayette</i> <p>Chairman of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Fédération Bancaire Européenne</i> • <i>Commission Banque</i>

* The directorships shown in italics are not governed by the French Commercial Code (*Code de Commerce*) concerning multiple directorships.

NAME	FUNCTION	BUSINESS ADDRESS	PRINCIPAL OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES
Patrick Auguste	Executive, BNP Paribas (elected by employees)	14, rue Bergère, 75009 PARIS, France	<p><i>d'Investissement et de Marchés de la Fédération Bancaire Française</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Conseil de Direction de l'Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris</i> • <i>Conseil d'Orientation de l'Institut Aspen France</i> <p>Member of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>International Advisory Panel of the Monetary Authority of Singapore</i> • <i>International Capital Markets Advisory Committee of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York</i> • <i>International Monetary Conference</i> • <i>International Business Leaders' Advisory Council for the Mayor of Shanghai (IBLAC)</i>
Claude Bébéar		25, avenue Matignon, 75008 PARIS, France	<p>Principal function: Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Axa</p> <p>Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Finaxa</p> <p>Director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Vivendi Universal</i> • <i>Axa Assurances Iard Mutuelle</i> • <i>Axa Assurances Vie Mutuelle</i> • <i>Axa Courtage Assurance Mutuelle</i> • <i>Axa Financial Inc., United States</i> <p>Non-voting director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Schneider Electric</i> <p>Chairman of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Institut du Mécénat de Solidarité</i> • <i>Institut Montaigne</i>

NAME	FUNCTION	BUSINESS ADDRESS	PRINCIPAL OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES
Jean-Louis Beffa	Vice-Chairman	« Les Miroirs » 18, avenue d'Alsace 92096 LA DEFENSE, France	<p>Principal function: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Compagnie de Saint-Gobain</p> <p>Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors of BNP Paribas</p> <p>Chairman of <i>Claude Bernard Participations</i></p> <p>Director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gaz de France • <i>Groupe Bruxelles Lambert, Belgium</i> • <i>Saint-Gobain Cristaleria SA, Spain</i> • <i>Saint-Gobain Corporation, United States</i> <p>Permanent representative of Saint-Gobain on the Board of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saint-Gobain PAM <p>Member of the Supervisory Board of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Le Monde SA • <i>Le Monde Partenaire AS (SAS)</i> • <i>Société Éditrice du Monde (SAS)</i>
Gerhard Cromme		August-Thyssen-Strasse 1 Postfach 10 10 10 40001 DUSSELDORF, Germany	<p>Principal function: Chairman of the Supervisory Board of <i>ThyssenKrupp AG</i></p> <p>Member of the Supervisory Board of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Allianz AG, Germany</i> • <i>Axel Springer AG, Germany</i> • <i>Deutsche Lufthansa AG, Germany</i> • <i>E.ON AG, Germany</i> • <i>E.ON Ruhrgas AG, Germany</i> • <i>Hochtief AG, Germany</i>

NAME	FUNCTION	BUSINESS ADDRESS	PRINCIPAL OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES
Jean-Marie Gianni.....	Employee, BNP Paribas (elected by employees)	21, avenue Jean Medecin 06000 Nice, France	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Siemens AG, Germany</i> • <i>Suez</i> • <i>Volkswagen AG, Germany</i> <p>Chairman of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>German Governmental Commission on Corporate Governance</i> • <i>European Round Table of Industrialists</i>
François Grappotte.....		128, avenue de Lattre de Tassigny 87045 LIMOGES, France	<p>Principal function: Chairman of the Board of Directors of Legrand</p> <p>Member of the Supervisory Board of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Galleries Lafayette</i> • <i>Michelin</i> <p>Chairman of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Legrand SAS</i> • <i>Lumina Management</i> <p>Director and Chief Executive Officer of Legrand Holding SA</p> <p>Director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Valeo</i> • <i>B. Ticino, Italy</i> • <i>Bufer Elektrik, Turkey</i> • <i>Eltas Elektrik, Turkey</i> • <i>Legrand Española, Spain</i> • <i>Lumina Parent, Luxembourg</i> • <i>Pass & Seymour, United States</i> • <i>The Wiremold Company, United</i>

NAME	FUNCTION	BUSINESS ADDRESS	PRINCIPAL OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES
Alain Joly		75, quai d'Orsay 75007 PARIS, France	<p><i>States</i></p> <p>Member of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Conseil consultatif de la Banque de France</i> • <i>Conseil de Promotelec (Promotion de l'installation électrique dans les bâtiments neufs et anciens)</i> • <i>Bureau de la FIEEC (Fédération des Industries Électriques, Électroniques et de Communication)</i> • <i>Bureau du Gimélec (Groupement des Industries de l'équipement électrique, du contrôle-commande et des services associés)</i> <p>Principal function: Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Air Liquide</p> <p>Director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lafarge • Société d'Oxygène et d'Acétylène d'Extrême-Orient • <i>Air Liquide International Corporation, United States</i> • <i>American Air Liquide, United States</i>
Denis Kessler		1, av. du Général de Gaulle 92074 PARIS LA DEFENSE, France	<p>Principal function: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Scor</p> <p>Chairman of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scor Vie • <i>Commercial Risk Re-Insurance</i>

NAME	FUNCTION	BUSINESS ADDRESS	PRINCIPAL OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES
			<p><i>Company, United States</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Commercial Risk Re-Insurance Company Ltd, United States</i> • <i>Commercial Risk Partners Ltd, Bermuda</i> • <i>General Security National Insurance Company, United States</i> • <i>General Security Indemnity of Arizona, United States</i> • <i>Investors Insurance Corporation, United States</i> • <i>Investors Marketing Group Inc., United States</i> • <i>Scor Italia Riassicurazioni SPA, Italy</i> • <i>Scor Life Insurance Company, United States</i> • <i>Scor Life US Re Insurance, United States</i> • <i>Scor Reinsurance Company, United States</i> • <i>Scor US Corporation, United States</i> <p>Director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Bolloré Investissement SA</i> • <i>Dassault Aviation</i> • <i>Amvescap Plc, United Kingdom</i> • <i>Cogedim</i> • <i>Dexia, Belgium</i> • <i>Scor Canada Reinsurance Company, Canada</i> <p>Member of the Supervisory Board of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Scor Deutschland, Germany</i>

NAME	FUNCTION	BUSINESS ADDRESS	PRINCIPAL OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES
Jean-François Lepetit		24, rue St Nom 78112 – FOURQUEUX, France	<p>Permanent representative of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Fergascor</i> on the Board of SA Communication & Participation <p>Non-voting director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>FDC SA</i> • <i>Gimar Finance SCA</i> <p>Member of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Commission Économique de la Nation</i> • <i>Conseil Économique et Social</i>
Lindsay Owen-Jones		41, rue Martre 92117 CLICHY, France	<p>Principal function: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of L'Oréal</p> <p>Chairman of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Galderma Pharma SA, Switzerland (up to 24 May 2004)</i> <p>Vice-Chairman and member of the Supervisory Board of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air Liquide <p>Director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gesparal (up to 29 April 2004) • Sanofi-Aventis • <i>Galderma Pharma SA, Switzerland (up to 24 May 2004)</i> • <i>L'Oréal USA, Inc., United States</i> • <i>L'Oréal UK Ltd, United Kingdom</i>
Loyola de Palacio del Valle-Lersundi (membership started as at May 18, 2005).....		C/de la Cancela, 2 C.P. 28016 MADRID, Spain	Lecturer
Hélène Ploix.....		162, rue du Faubourg Saint Honoré, 75008 PARIS, France	Principal function: Chairman of <i>Pechel Industries SAS</i>

NAME	FUNCTION	BUSINESS ADDRESS	PRINCIPAL OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES
		– PARIS, France	<p>and <i>Pechel Industries Partenaires SAS</i></p> <p>Director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lafarge • <i>Boots Group Plc, United Kingdom</i> • <i>Ferring SA, Switzerland</i> <p>Member of the Supervisory Board of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publicis <p>Representative of Pechel Industries for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Aquarelle.com Group</i> • <i>CAE International</i> • <i>CVBG-Dourthe Kressman</i> • <i>Pechel Service SAS</i> • <i>Quinette Gallay</i> • <i>Xiring</i> <p>Legal Manager of <i>Hélène Ploix SARL</i></p> <p>Member of the Investment Committee for <i>the United Nations Personnel Pension Fund</i></p>
Baudouin Prot	Chief Executive Officer, BNP Paribas	3, rue d'Antin 75002 PARIS, France	<p>Director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Veolia Environnement • <i>Erbé, Belgium</i> • <i>Pargesa, Belgium</i> <p>Member of the Supervisory Board of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pinault-Printemps-Redoute <p>Permanent representative of BNP Paribas on the Supervisory Board of Accor</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	BUSINESS ADDRESS	PRINCIPAL OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES
Louis Schweitzer.....		860, quai de Stalingrad 92109 – BOULOGNE BILLANCOURT, France	<p>Principal function: Chairman of the Board of Renault</p> <p>President of the Management Board of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Renault-Nissan BV, Netherlands</i> <p>Director of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Électricité de France</i> • <i>RCI Banque</i> • <i>Veolia Environnement</i> • <i>AB VOLVO, Sweden</i> • <i>AstraZeneca, United Kingdom</i> <p>Member of the Board of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Philips, Netherlands</i> <p>Member of the Board of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques</i> • <i>Institut Français des Relations Internationales</i> • <i>Musée du Louvre</i> <p>Member of the Consultative Committee of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Banque de France</i> • <i>Allianz, Germany</i> <p>Member of the Executive Committee of Medef</p>
Jean-François Trufelli	Employee, BNP Paribas (elected by employees)	212, Chemin des Femmes 91300 MASSY, France	

Conflicts of Interests

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To the knowledge of the Bank, the duties owed by the members of the Board of Directors of the Bank do not give rise to any potential conflicts of interest, material to the Securities, with such members' private interests or other duties.

Committees of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the Bank has established three committees in order to facilitate its work: the Financial Statements Committee, the Internal Control and Risk Management Committee and the Compensation and Nominations Committee.

Financial Statements Committee

This Committee's duties involve, among other things, (i) reviewing and analysing, in the presence of the auditors, the quarterly, semi-annual and annual financial statements to be published by the Bank, (ii) reviewing all matters related to the financial statements, including the choices of accounting principles and policies, provisions, management accounting data, accounting standards, capital adequacy requirements, profitability indicators, and all other accounting matters that raise methodological issues, and (iii) managing relations with the auditors. Its current members are Louis Schweitzer (Chairman), Patrick Auguste, Denis Kessler and H  l  ne Ploix.

Internal Control and Risk Management Committee

This Committee's duties involve, among other things, (i) reviewing the reports on internal control and on risk measurement and monitoring systems, as well as reports prepared by the General Inspection department and their main findings, and correspondence with the French banking regulator (Commission bancaire), (ii) reviewing the Group's overall risk policy, based on risk and profitability indicators made available to the Committee in accordance with the applicable regulations, as well as any specific related issues, (iii) holding discussions, occasionally outside the presence of executive management, with the heads of the General Inspection and Internal Audit departments, Ethics and Group Risk Management, and (iv) presenting to the Board of Directors the Committee's assessment of the Group's methods and procedures. Its current members are Fran  ois Grappotte (Chairman), Jean-Fran  ois Lepetit and Jean-Marie Gianni.

Compensation and Nominations Committee

Among its duties, this Committee proposes recommendations for the post of Chairman of the Board for consideration by the Board of Directors. Acting jointly with the Chairman of the Board, the Committee also proposes recommendations for the post of Chief Executive Officer for consideration by the Board of Directors, and acting on the recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer, it proposes candidates for Chief Operating Officer. It assists the Board of Directors in assessing the performance of the Board and of its Chairman; acting jointly with the Chairman of the Board, it assists in assessing the performances of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officers. The Committee is also charged with addressing all issues related to the personal status of corporate officers, including compensation, pension benefits, and stock options; reviewing the terms and amount of stock option plans, and the list of grantees; and preparing employee stock option plans. The Committee, in conjunction with the Chairman, is also qualified to assist the Chief Executive Officer on any issue related to executive management compensation referred by him to the Committee. Acting jointly with the Chairman of the Board, the Committee advises the Board on resolutions to be submitted to the shareholders concerning the election of directors and non-voting directors. It makes recommendations to the Board on the appointment of Committee chairpersons when their terms of office are up for renewal. The Committee's current members are Alain Joly (Chairman), Claude B  b  ar, Jean-Louis Beffa and Gerhard Cromme.

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee of BNP Paribas currently consists of the following members:

Baudouin Prot	Chief Executive Officer
Georges Chodron de Courcel	Chief Operating Officer

Jean Clamon.....	Chief Operating Officer
Philippe Blavier	Head of Corporate and Investment Banking
Jean-Laurent Bonnafé	Head of French Retail Banking
Philippe Bordenave.....	Head of Group Development and Finance
Hervé Gouëzel	Head of Group Information Systems
Bernard Lemée.....	Head of Group Human Resources
Vivien Lévy-Garboua.....	Head of Compliance
Pierre Mariani	Head of International Retail Banking and Financial Services
Alain Papiasse.....	Head of Asset Management and Services

On 3 January 2005, Vivien Lévy-Garboua was appointed as head of the newly created corporate compliance department. See “*Risk Management—Significant Events of the Year in the Area of Internal Control*” for a description of this department. In this new capacity, Vivien Lévy-Garboua will continue to serve as a member of the Executive Committee of BNP Paribas. Following this appointment, Alain Papiasse has succeeded Vivien Lévy-Garboua as Head of the Asset Management and Services core business, and currently serves on the Executive Committee of BNP Paribas.

BOOK-ENTRY CLEARANCE SYSTEMS

The information set out below is subject to any change in or reinterpretation of the rules, regulations and procedures of DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear (together, the “Clearing Systems”) currently in effect and subject as provided in the applicable Final Terms. Investors wishing to use the facilities of any of the Clearing Systems are advised to confirm the continued applicability of the rules, regulations and procedures of the relevant Clearing System. None of BNPP B.V., BNPP, or any agent party to the Agency Agreement will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments or deliveries made on account of beneficial ownership interests in the Securities held through the facilities of any Clearing System or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests.

Book-entry Systems

DTC

DTC has advised BNPP that it is a limited purpose trust company organised under the New York Banking Law, a banking organisation within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a clearing agency registered pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds securities that its participants (“**Direct Participants**”) deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the settlement among Direct Participants of securities transactions, such as transfers and pledges, in deposited securities through electronic computerised book-entry changes in Direct Participants accounts, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organisations. DTC is owned by a number of its Direct Participants and by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange, Inc. and the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly (“**Indirect Participants**”).

Under the rules, regulations and procedures creating and affecting DTC and its operations (the “**Rules**”), DTC makes book-entry transfers of Securities represented by Rule 144A Securities held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC among Direct Participants on whose behalf it acts with respect to Securities accepted into DTC’s book-entry settlement system (“**DTC Securities**”) as described below and receives and transmits payments on DTC Securities. The Rules are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Direct Participants and Indirect Participants with which beneficial owners of DTC Securities (“**Beneficial Owners**”) have accounts with respect to the DTC Securities similarly are required to make book-entry transfers and receive and transmit such payments on behalf of their respective Beneficial Owners. Accordingly, although Beneficial Owners who hold DTC Securities through Direct Participants or Indirect Participants will not possess definitive Securities, the Rules, by virtue of the requirements described above, provide a mechanism by which Direct Participants will receive payments and will be able to transfer their interest in respect of the DTC Securities.

Purchases of DTC Securities under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the DTC Securities on DTC’s records. The ownership interest of each Beneficial Owner is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participant’s records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase, but Beneficial Owners are expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct Participant or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the DTC Securities are to be accomplished by entries made on

the books of Direct Participants or Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in DTC Securities, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the DTC Securities is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all DTC Securities deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or any other nominee as may be requested by an authorised representative of DTC. The deposit of DTC Securities with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or any other nominee effect no change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the DTC Securities; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such DTC Securities are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear

Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear each hold securities for their customers and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions by electronic book-entry transfer between their respective account holders. Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear provide various services including safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear also deal with domestic securities markets in several countries through established depository and custodial relationships. Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear have established an electronic bridge between their two systems across which their respective participants may settle trades with each other.

Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear customers are world-wide financial institutions, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations. Indirect access to Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear is available to other institutions that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with an account holder of either system.

Book-entry Ownership of and Payments in respect of DTC Securities

If a Rule 144A Global Security is to be registered in the name of a nominee of DTC, the Issuer will apply to DTC in order to have the Securities represented by such Rule 144A Global Security accepted in its book-entry settlement system. Upon the issue of any Rule 144A Global Security to be held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC, DTC or the Custodian will credit, on its internal book-entry system, the respective nominal amounts of the individual beneficial interests represented by such Rule 144A Global Security to the accounts of the relevant Direct Participants. Ownership of beneficial interests in any such Rule 144A Global Security will be limited to Direct Participants or Indirect Participants, including the respective depositories of Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear. Ownership of beneficial interests in any such Rule 144A Global Security held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC will be shown on, and the transfer of such ownership will be effected only through, records maintained by DTC or its nominee (with respect to the interests of Direct Participants) and the records of Direct Participants (with respect to interests of Indirect Participants).

Payments in U.S. dollars in respect of a Rule 144A Global Security registered in the name of DTC's nominee will be made to the New York Warrant Agent or New York Certificate Agent, as the case may be, to the order of such nominee as the registered Holder. In the case of any payment in a currency other than U.S. dollars, payment will be made to the New York Warrant Agent or New York Certificate Agent, as the case may be, on

behalf of DTC's nominee and the New York Warrant Agent or New York Certificate Agent, as the case may be, will (in accordance with instructions received by it) remit all or a portion of such payment for credit directly to the beneficial Holders of interests in the Rule 144A Global Security held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC in the currency in which such payment was made and/or cause all or a portion of such payment to be converted into U.S. dollars and credited to the applicable Direct Participants' account.

BNPP expects that payments by Direct Participants to Beneficial Owners of Securities will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers, and will be the responsibility of such Direct Participant and not the responsibility of DTC, any Warrant Agent or Certificate Agent, as the case may be, or BNPP. Payments on Securities to DTC is the responsibility of BNPP.

Transfers of Securities Represented by Global Securities

Transfers of any interests in Securities represented by a Global Security within DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear will be effected in accordance with the customary rules and operating procedures of the relevant clearing system. The laws in some States within the United States require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer Securities represented by a Global Security to such persons may depend upon the ability to exchange such Securities for Securities in definitive form. Similarly, because DTC can only act on behalf of Direct Participants in the DTC system who in turn act on behalf of Indirect Participants, the ability of a person having an interest in Securities represented by a Rule 144A Global Security held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC to pledge such Securities to persons or entities that do not participate in the DTC system or otherwise to take action in respect of such Securities may depend upon the ability to exchange such Securities for Securities in definitive form. The ability of any person having a beneficial interest in Securities represented by a Rule 144A Global Security held by a Custodian on behalf of DTC to resell, pledge or otherwise transfer such Securities may be impaired if the proposed transferee of such Securities is not eligible to hold such Securities through a Direct Participant or Indirect Participant in the DTC system.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to Rule 144A Global Securities described under "Notice to Purchasers and Holders of U.S. Securities and Transfer Restrictions", crossmarket transfers between DTC, on the one hand, and direct or indirect account holders of Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, on the other, will be effected by the relevant Clearing System in accordance with its rules and through action taken by the relevant Warrant Agent or Certificate Agent and any custodian with whom the relevant Global Securities have been deposited.

On or after the issue date for any Securities, transfers of such Securities between account Holders in Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear and transfers of such Securities between Direct Participants in DTC will generally have a settlement date three business days after the trade date (T+3). The customary arrangements for delivery versus payment may apply to such transfers.

Cross-market transfers between accountholders in Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear and DTC participants will need to have an agreed settlement date between the parties to such transfer. Because there is no direct link between DTC, on the one hand, and Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, on the other, transfers of interests in the relevant Global Securities will be effected through relevant Warrant Agent or Certificate Agent receiving instructions (and where appropriate certification) from the transferor and arranging for delivery of the interests being transferred to the credit of the designated account for the transferee. In the case of cross-market transfers, settlement between Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear accountholders and Direct Participants cannot be made on a delivery versus payment basis. The securities will be delivered on a free delivery basis and arrangements for payment must be made separately.

DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear have each published rules and operating procedures designed to facilitate transfers of beneficial interests in Global Securities among participants and accountholders of DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear. However, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform such procedures, and such procedures may be discontinued or changed at any time. None of the Issuer, any Warrant Agent or any Certificate Agent will be responsible for any performance by DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear or their respective direct or indirect participants or accountholders of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations and none of them will have any liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial interests in the Securities represented by Global Securities or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial interests.

TAXATION

The statements herein regarding taxation are based on the laws in force in France, The Netherlands and/or, as the case may be, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg as of the date of this Base Prospectus and are subject to any changes in law. The following summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations which may be relevant to a decision to purchase, own or dispose of the Securities. Each prospective holder or beneficial owner of Securities should consult its tax advisor as to the French, the Dutch or, as the case may be, the Luxembourg tax consequences of any investment in or ownership and disposition of the Securities.

EU DIRECTIVE ON THE TAXATION OF SAVINGS INCOME

On 3 June 2003, the European Council of Economics and Finance Ministers adopted a Directive (in this section “*Taxation*”, the “**Directive**”) on the taxation of savings income under which Member States will be required, if a number of important conditions are met and from a date not earlier than 1 July 2005, to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State details of payments of interest (or similar income) paid by a person within its jurisdiction to an individual resident in that other Member State, except that, for a transitional period, Belgium, Luxembourg and Austria will instead be required (unless during that period they elect otherwise) to operate a withholding system in relation to such payments (the ending of such transitional period being dependent upon the conclusion of certain other agreements relating to information exchange with certain other countries). On 7 June 2005, the Council of the European Union has stated that the conditions for the application of the Directive as from 1 July 2005 have been fulfilled.

DUTCH TAXATION

References in this section “Dutch Taxation” to (i) “Securities” shall be construed as references to Securities issued by BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V., and (ii) the “Issuer” shall be construed as references to BNP Paribas Arbitrage Issuance B.V.

This is a general summary and the tax consequences as described here may not apply to a holder of Securities. Any potential investor should consult his own tax adviser for more information about the tax consequences of acquiring, owning and disposing of Securities in his particular circumstances.

This taxation summary solely addresses the principal Dutch tax consequences of the acquisition, the ownership and disposition of Securities. Where in this summary English terms and expressions are used to refer to Dutch concepts, the meaning to be attributed to such terms and expressions shall be the meaning to be attributed to the equivalent Dutch concepts under Dutch tax law. It does not consider every aspect of taxation that may be relevant to a particular holder of Securities under special circumstances or who is subject to special treatment under applicable law.

This summary is based on the tax laws of The Netherlands as they are in force and in effect on the date of this Base Prospectus. The laws upon which this summary is based are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect. A change to such laws may invalidate the contents of this summary, which will not be updated to reflect any such change. This summary assumes that each transaction with respect to Securities is at arm’s length.

This summary does not describe the tax consequences for a holder of Securities that are redeemable in exchange for, or convertible into, shares of the exercise, settlement or redemption of such Securities and/or any tax consequences after the moment of exercise, settlement or redemption. This summary does not

describe the tax consequences for a holder of Securities if such Securities are redeemable in exchange for real property situated in The Netherlands.

Withholding Tax

All payments in respect of Securities may be made free from withholding or deduction of, for or on account of any taxes of whatever nature imposed, levied, withheld or assessed by The Netherlands or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein, except where Securities relate to shares, profit participating certificates (“*winstbewijzen*”) and/or debt instruments that actually function as equity within the meaning of article 10, paragraph 1, letter d, of the Netherlands Corporation Tax Act 1969 issued by any entity related to the Issuer.

Taxes on Income and Capital Gains

Resident holders of Securities

The summary set out in this Section “*Dutch Taxation - Taxes on income and capital gains - Resident holders of Securities*” only applies to a holder of Securities, who is a “Dutch Individual” or a “Dutch Corporate Entity”.

A holder of Securities is a “Dutch Individual” if:

- (a) he is an individual;
- (b) he is resident, or deemed to be resident, in The Netherlands for Netherlands income tax purposes, or has elected to be treated as a resident of The Netherlands for Netherlands income tax purposes;
- (c) taking into consideration his rights under the Securities, the holder of Securities does not have a substantial interest (*aanmerkelijk belang*) or a deemed substantial interest (as defined below) within the meaning of Chapter 4 of the Netherlands Income Tax Act 2001 (*Wet inkomstenbelasting 2001*) in the Issuer or another entity to which the Securities relate; and
- (d) the Securities and income or capital gains derived therefrom have no connection with his past, present or future employment, if any.

If a holder of Securities is an individual and if he satisfies test (b), but does not satisfy test (c) and/or test (d), his Dutch income tax position is not discussed in this Base Prospectus.

Generally, if a person holds an interest in a company, such interest forms part of a substantial interest or a deemed substantial interest in that company if any one or more of the following circumstances is present.

- 1 Such person alone or, if he is an individual, together with his partner (*partner*), if any, has, directly or indirectly, the ownership of shares representing 5% or more of the total issued and outstanding capital (or the issued and outstanding capital of any class of shares) of a company, or rights to acquire, directly or indirectly, shares, whether or not already issued, that represent 5% or more of the total issued and outstanding capital (or the issued and outstanding capital of any class of shares) of a company, or the ownership of profit participating certificates (*winstbewijzen*) that relate to 5% or more of the annual profit or to 5% or more of the liquidation proceeds of a company, or has a membership interest in, or an equivalent right to the net assets of a co-operative society (*coöperatie*) or an association on a co-operative basis (*vereniging op coöperatieve grondslag*) that represents at least 5% of the voting rights in such co-operative society or association on a co-operative basis.

- 2 Such person's shares, profit participating certificates or rights to acquire shares or profit participating certificates have been acquired by him or are deemed to have been acquired by him under a non-recognition provision.
- 3 Such person's partner or any of his relatives by blood or by marriage in the direct line (including foster-children) or of those of his partner has a substantial interest (as described under paragraphs 1 and 2 above).

For purposes of the above:

- (i) a holder of Securities who is only entitled to the benefits from shares or profit participating certificates (for instance a holder of a right of usufruct) is deemed to be a holder of shares or profit participating certificates, as the case may be, and his entitlement to benefits is considered a share or profit participating certificate, as the case may be;
- (ii) a unit of a fund for joint account (*fonds voor gemene rekening*) as meant in article 4.5 of the Income Tax Act 2001 is deemed to be a share of a company; and
- (iii) a membership interest in, or an equivalent right to the net assets of a co-operative society (*coöperatie*) or an association on a co-operative basis (*vereniging op coöperatieve grondslag*) is deemed to be a profit participating certificate of a company.

A holder of Securities is a "Dutch Corporate Entity" if:

- it is a corporate entity (including an association that is taxable as a corporate entity) that is subject to Dutch corporation tax;
- it is resident, or deemed to be resident, in The Netherlands for Dutch corporation tax purposes;
- it is not an entity that, although in principle subject to Dutch corporation tax, is, in whole or in part, specifically exempt from that tax;
- the benefits derived from any shares and/or Securities held by it in the Issuer (or another entity to which the Securities relate) are not exempt under the participation exemption (as laid down in the Netherlands Corporation Tax Act 1969); and
- it is not an investment institution (*beleggingsinstelling*) as defined in the Netherlands Corporation Tax Act 1969.

If a holder of Securities is not an individual and if it does not satisfy any one or more of these tests, with the exception of the second test, its Dutch Corporation tax position is not discussed in this Base Prospectus.

Dutch Individuals deriving profits or deemed to be deriving profits from an enterprise

Any benefits derived or deemed to be derived from Securities including any gain realised on the disposal thereof, by a Dutch Individual that are attributable to an enterprise from which such Dutch Individual derives profits, whether as an entrepreneur (*ondernemer*) or pursuant to a co-entitlement to the net value of an enterprise (other than as an entrepreneur or a shareholder), are generally subject to Dutch income tax at progressive rates.

Dutch Individuals deriving benefits from miscellaneous activities

Any benefits derived or deemed to be derived from Securities, including any gain realised on the disposal thereof, by a Dutch Individual that constitute benefits from miscellaneous activities (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden*) are generally subject to Dutch income tax at progressive rates.

A Dutch Individual may, *inter alia*, derive benefits from Securities that are taxable as benefits from miscellaneous activities in the following circumstances:

- (a) if his investment activities go beyond the activities of an active portfolio investor, for instance in the case of the use of insider knowledge (*voorkennis*) or comparable forms of special knowledge; or
- (b) if he makes Securities available or is deemed to make Securities available, legally or in fact, directly or indirectly, to certain parties as meant in articles 3.91 and 3.92 of the Netherlands Income Tax Act 2001 under circumstances described therein.

Other Dutch Individuals

If a holder of Securities is a Dutch Individual, whose situation has not been discussed before in this section “*Dutch Taxation - Taxes on income and capital gains - Resident holders of Securities*”, benefits from his Securities are taxed as a benefit from savings and investments (*voordeel uit sparen en beleggen*). Such benefit is deemed to be 4% per annum of the average of his “yield basis” (*rendementsgrondslag*) at the beginning and at the end of the year, insofar as that average exceeds the “exempt net asset amount” (*heffingvrij vermogen*). The benefit is taxed at the rate of 30%. The value of his Securities forms part of his yield basis. Actual benefits derived from his Securities, including any gain realised on the disposal thereof, are not as such subject to Dutch income tax.

Dutch Corporate Entities

Any benefits derived or deemed to be derived from Securities, that are held by a Dutch Corporate Entity, including any gain realised on the disposal of such Securities are generally subject to Dutch corporation tax.

Non-resident holders of Securities

The summary set out in this section “*Dutch Taxation - Taxes on income and capital gains - Non-resident holders of Securities*” only applies to a holder of Securities who is a Non-Resident holder of Securities.

A holder of Securities is a Non-Resident holder of Securities if he satisfies the following tests:

- (a) he is neither resident, nor deemed to be resident, in The Netherlands for purposes of Dutch income tax or corporation tax, as the case may be, and, if he is an individual, he has not elected to be treated as a resident of The Netherlands for Dutch income tax purposes;
- (b) if he is an individual, his Securities and income or capital gains derived therefrom have no connection with his past, present or future employment, if any; and
- (c) taking into consideration his rights under the Securities, the holder of Securities does not have a substantial interest or a deemed substantial interest in the Issuer or another entity to which the Securities relate, and that is resident within The Netherlands for Dutch tax purposes, within the meaning of Chapter 4 of the Netherlands Income Tax Act 2001, unless such interest forms part of the assets of an enterprise.

See the section “*Taxes on income and capital gains - Resident holders of Securities*” for a description of the circumstances under which Securities form part of a substantial interest or a deemed substantial interest.

If a holder of Securities satisfies test (a), but does not satisfy test (b) and/or test (c), his Dutch income tax position or corporation tax position, as the case may be, is not discussed in this Base Prospectus.

Individuals

A Non-Resident holder of Securities who is an individual will not be subject to any Dutch taxes on income or capital gains in respect of any benefit derived or deemed to be derived from Securities, including any payment

under Securities and any gain realised on the disposal of Securities, provided that both of the following conditions are satisfied.

- (i) If he derives profits from an enterprise, whether as an entrepreneur (*ondernemer*) or pursuant to a co-entitlement to the net value of such enterprise, other than as an entrepreneur or a shareholder, which enterprise is either managed in The Netherlands or carried on, in whole or in part, through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in The Netherlands, as the case may be, his Securities are not attributable to such enterprise.
- (ii) He does not derive benefits from Securities that are taxable as benefits from miscellaneous activities in The Netherlands (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden in Nederland*).

See the section “*Dutch Taxation - Taxes on income and capital gains - Resident holders of Securities*” for a description of the circumstances under which benefits derived from Securities may be taxable as benefits from miscellaneous activities, on the understanding that such benefits will be taxable in The Netherlands only if such activities are performed or deemed to be performed in The Netherlands.

Entities

A Non-Resident holder of Securities other than an individual will not be subject to any Dutch taxes on income or capital gains in respect of any payment under Securities or in respect of any gain realised on the disposal of Securities, provided that if such Non-Resident holder of Securities derives profits from an enterprise that is either managed in The Netherlands or carried on, in whole or in part, through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in The Netherlands, whether as an entrepreneur (*ondernemer*) or pursuant to a co-entitlement to the net value of such enterprise (other than as an entrepreneur or as a holder of securities), Securities are not attributable to such enterprise.

General

Subject to the above, a Non-Resident holder of Securities will not be subject to income tax or corporation tax, as the case may be, in The Netherlands by reason only of the execution (*ondertekening*), delivery (*overhandiging*) and/or enforcement of the documents relating to the issue of Securities or the performance by the Issuer of its obligations thereunder or under the Securities.

Gift and inheritance taxes

A person who acquires Securities as a gift, in form or in substance, or who acquires or is deemed to acquire Securities on the death of an individual, will not be subject to Dutch gift tax or to Dutch inheritance tax, as the case may be, unless:

- (i) the donor is, or the deceased was resident or deemed to be resident in The Netherlands for purposes of gift or inheritance tax, as the case may be; or
- (ii) the Securities are or were attributable to an enterprise or part of an enterprise that the donor or the deceased carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in The Netherlands at the time of the gift or of the death of the deceased; or
- (iii) the donor made a gift of Securities, then became a resident or deemed resident of The Netherlands, and died as a resident or deemed resident of The Netherlands within 180 days after the date of the gift.

Other taxes and duties

No Dutch registration tax, transfer tax, stamp duty or any other similar documentary tax or duty, other than court fees, will be payable by a holder of Securities in The Netherlands in respect of or in connection with the

execution (*ondertekening*), delivery (*overhandiging*) and/or enforcement by legal proceedings (including the enforcement of any foreign judgment in the courts of The Netherlands) of the documents relating to the issue of Securities or the performance by the Issuer of its obligations thereunder or under the Securities, except that capital tax may be payable in respect of the issue of Securities that relate to shares in the relevant Issuer or any entity related to the Issuer.

FRENCH TAXATION

References in this section “French Taxation” to (i) “Securities” shall be construed as references to Securities issued by BNP Paribas, and (ii) the “Issuer” shall be construed as references to BNP Paribas.

BNP Paribas has been advised that payments in respect of Securities issued by it may be made without withholding or deduction for, or on account of, the withholding tax on interest set out under Article 125 A III of the *Code général des impôts* (general tax code) as provided by article 131 *quater* of the *Code général des impôts* if the Securities are issued outside France. Securities that constitute “obligations” under French law will be issued (or deemed to be issued) outside France:

- (i) in the case of syndicated or non-syndicated issues of Securities, if they are denominated in euro as provided in the Circular of the *Direction générale des impôts* dated 30 September 1998; or
- (ii) in the case of syndicated issues of Securities denominated in currencies other than euro, if, *inter alia*, the Issuer and the relevant Dealers agree, in connection with their initial distribution, not to offer the Securities to the public in the Republic of France. Such securities may be offered in the Republic of France only through an international syndicate to “qualified investors” (*investisseurs qualifiés*) as described in Article L.411-2 of the *Code monétaire et financier*; or
- (iii) in the case of non-syndicated issues of Securities denominated in currencies other than euro, if each of the subscribers is domiciled or resident for tax purposes outside the Republic of France.

LUXEMBOURG TAXATION

Holders who either are tax residents of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg or have a permanent establishment or a fixed base of business in the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg with which the holding of the Securities would be connected will be hereafter referred as to the “Luxembourg Holders”.

The statements herein regarding taxation in Luxembourg are based on the laws in force in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg as of the date of this Base Prospectus and are subject to any changes in law. The following summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations which may be relevant to a decision to purchase, own or dispose of the Securities. Each prospective holder or beneficial owner of Securities should consult its tax advisor as to the Luxembourg tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of the Securities.

Withholding tax

Payments made to the Luxembourg Holders with respect to the Securities will not be subject to Luxembourg withholding tax.

Taxation of the Holders

General

Luxembourg Holders must, for income tax purposes, include any Cash Settlement Amount received in their taxable income. They will not be liable to any Luxembourg income tax upon Physical Settlement Value of the Securities.

Luxembourg resident individuals

Luxembourg individual Holders are not subject to taxation on capital gains upon the disposal of the Securities, unless the disposal of the Securities precedes the acquisition of the Securities or the Securities are disposed of within six months of the date of acquisition of these Securities.

Luxembourg resident companies

Luxembourg companies (*sociétés de capitaux*) Holders must include in their taxable income the difference between the sale price and the lower of the cost or book value of the Securities sold.

Luxembourg resident companies benefiting from a special tax regime

Luxembourg companies Holders which are companies benefiting from a special tax regime (such as holding companies subject to the law of 31 July 1929 and undertakings for collective investment subject to the law of 20 December 2002) are tax exempt entities in Luxembourg, and are thus not subject to any Luxembourg tax other than the subscription tax calculated on their share capital or net asset value (i.e., corporate income tax, municipal business tax and net wealth tax).

Other Taxes

There is no Luxembourg registration tax, stamp duty or any other similar tax or duty payable in Luxembourg by Luxembourg Holders as a consequence of the issuance of the Securities, nor will any of these taxes be payable as a consequence of a subsequent transfer of the Securities, redemption of the Certificates, or cash and physical settlement of the Securities.

U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAXATION

The following summary describes certain U.S. federal income tax considerations that may be relevant to a U.S. holder (as defined below) who purchases a Warrant or Certificate. The rules governing the U.S. federal income taxation of option transactions and other derivative financial instruments are complex and depend on a taxpayer's particular circumstances. Accordingly, this summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all of the tax considerations that may be relevant to any particular investor in a Warrant or Certificate. In particular, this summary deals only with U.S. holders of a Warrant or Certificate who purchase in the initial offering at the applicable issue price and in whose hands the stock, debt, commodity or other property underlying the Warrant or Certificate would be capital assets for tax purposes. In addition, this discussion assumes that the Warrants are treated as options for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and that when issued they are not significantly "in-the-money".

This summary also does not discuss the U.S. federal income tax treatment of a U.S. holder who is a member of a class of holders subject to special rules, such as:

- a dealer in securities, commodities or derivative financial instruments;
- a trader in securities, commodities or derivative financial instruments that elects to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for securities or commodities holdings;
- a bank;

- a life insurance company;
- a tax-exempt organization;
- entities that are treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as partnerships or other pass-through entities;
- an investor who purchases a Warrant or Certificate with respect to stock in a company that is treated as a passive foreign investment company (“**PFIC**”) for U.S. federal income tax purposes;
- an investor who purchases a Warrant or Certificate and holds any other position (whether long or short, direct or indirect) in any asset underlying such option;
- an investor who enters into a Warrant or Certificate that is part of a hedging transaction or that has been hedged against currency risk;
- an investor who enters into a Warrant or Certificate that is part of a straddle or conversion transaction for tax purposes; and
- an investor whose functional currency for tax purposes is not the U.S. dollar.

As a consequence of the foregoing, it should be particularly noted that this summary does not address the special tax considerations that apply to an investment in a combination of Warrants or Certificates with respect to the same underlying assets. Further, this summary does not address alternative minimum tax consequences or the indirect effects on the holders of equity interests in a holder of a Warrant or Certificate.

Any of the foregoing circumstances might substantially alter the tax consequences described below, and, in some instances, may require specific identification of positions in the relevant Warrant or Certificate before the close of the day on which they are acquired. For example, if the straddle rules were to apply, a U.S. holder of a Warrant or Certificate might be required to (i) recognize all or a portion of any gain on such Warrant or Certificate that would otherwise be long-term or short-term capital gain, as ordinary income or, if applicable, short-term capital gain, (ii) defer all, or a portion, of any loss realized upon the sale, exchange, exercise, cancellation or lapse of such Warrant or Certificate and (iii) capitalize any interest or carrying charges incurred by such U.S. holder with respect to such Warrant or Certificate.

This summary is based on laws, judicial decisions, and regulatory interpretations in effect on the date hereof, all of which are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis.

Additional U.S. federal income tax consequences, if any, applicable to a particular Warrant or Certificate will be set forth in the applicable Final Terms.

The rules governing the taxation of option transactions and derivative financial instruments are complex and depend on a taxpayer’s particular circumstances. U.S. holders are strongly urged to consult their own tax advisors concerning the U.S. federal, state, local, foreign and other national tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of Warrants or Certificates in their particular circumstances. U.S. holders should also consult their tax advisors as to the possibility of changes of law affecting taxation of derivative financial instruments with contingent payments, including prepaid forward contracts.

For purposes of this discussion, a “U.S. holder” is a holder of a Warrant or Certificate that is (i) an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States, (ii) a domestic corporation or (iii) otherwise subject to U.S. federal income taxation on a net income basis in respect of the Warrant or Certificate. A “non-U.S. holder” is a holder of a Warrant or Certificate that is a nonresident alien individual or a foreign corporation.

Warrants

Premium

Premium paid by a U.S. holder for a Warrant will generally be treated as a nondeductible capital expenditure. As described in the following two sections, the amount of such premium will be taken into account upon the exercise, sale, transfer, cash settlement, or lapse of the option.

Physical Settlement of Warrants

A U.S. holder who receives the underlying property pursuant to the exercise of a Call Warrant that the investor has purchased will generally not recognize gain or loss on such exercise. Instead, the investor will generally be treated as purchasing the underlying property as of the exercise date in exchange for the sum of the exercise price and the amount of the premium that the investor paid for the option. The investor's holding period for the underlying property will begin on the day after the date of exercise or, in the case of stock or corporate securities, on the exercise date.

A U.S. holder who delivers the property underlying a Put Warrant pursuant to the exercise of such Warrant that the investor has purchased will generally be treated as selling the underlying property as of the exercise date. Accordingly, such an investor will generally recognize capital gain or loss equal to the difference between (i) the exercise price less the amount of the premium that the investor paid for the Put Warrant and (ii) the investor's tax basis in the underlying property. Because the purchase of a Put Warrant will generally constitute a "short sale" within the meaning of Section 1233 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**"), whether such capital gain or loss will be long-term or short-term capital gain or loss will depend on the application of the short sale rules. In addition, a U.S. holder may be subject to the straddle rules with respect to its investment in the Warrant. U.S. holders should consult their own tax advisors with regard to the application of the short sale and straddle rules in their particular circumstances.

Sale, Transfer, Cash Settlement, or Lapse of Warrants

A U.S. holder who has purchased a Warrant will generally recognize capital gain or loss upon the sale, transfer, cash settlement or lapse of the Warrant in an amount equal to the difference between (i) the amount realized by the investor from such sale, transfer, settlement, or lapse and (ii) the amount of the premium that the investor paid for the Warrant. Such capital gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if the Warrant was held for more than one year. Certain exceptions to such treatment are noted below and, if appropriate, may be addressed in the applicable Final Terms.

Mark-to-Market Rules

Under Section 1256 of the Code, special mark-to-market and character rules apply in the case of certain "nonequity" options and foreign currency contracts. Unless the Warrants (other than Currency Warrants) are listed on a "qualified board or exchange" for purposes of Section 1256, however, these mark-to-market rules will not be applicable to U.S. holders of the Warrants. The U.S. Treasury Department has not currently designated the Luxembourg Stock Exchange as a "qualified board or exchange." The rules under Section 1256 will not apply to the Share Warrants in any event. Where relevant, the application of the Section 1256 rules to Currency Warrants and Certificates will be discussed in the applicable Final Terms.

Certificates

Classification of the Certificates

Depending on the terms of a Certificate, such Certificate could be treated as one or more of the following: (i) a prepaid forward contract (which, depending on the terms, may be subject to embedded options), (ii) a combination of a loan and a prepaid forward contract, (iii) an outright or constructive ownership interest in the property underlying such Certificate, or (iv) a contingent payment debt instrument. Additional U.S. federal

income tax consequences applicable to a particular issuance of Certificates will be set forth in the applicable Final Terms.

No ruling is being requested from the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) with respect to the Certificates, and the treatment of the Certificates described below is not binding on the IRS or the courts. As a result, significant aspects of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Certificates are uncertain.

Tax Treatment of Prepaid Forward Contracts (With or Without a Loan)

If any Certificates are treated as prepaid forward contracts (with or without a loan) for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the following description should apply to such Certificates.

Interest Payments. Payments of interest (if any) will be taxable to a U.S. holder as ordinary interest income at the time that such payments are accrued or are received (in accordance with the U.S. holder’s method of tax accounting).

Physical Settlement. If the Certificates are treated as prepaid forward contracts, a U.S. holder who receives underlying stock, debt or commodity pursuant to the settlement of a Certificate that the investor has purchased will generally not recognize gain or loss on such settlement. The investor will generally be treated as acquiring the property underlying the Certificate, as of the date of settlement, in exchange for the amount that it paid to acquire the Certificates.

Cash Settlement, Sale, or Other Disposition of the Certificates. If the Certificates are treated as prepaid forward contracts, upon the receipt of cash upon settlement of a Certificate or upon the sale or other disposition of such Certificate, a U.S. holder will recognize taxable gain or loss, equal to the difference between the amount realized (generally, the amount of cash received) and such U.S. holder’s tax basis in the Certificate. In general, a holder’s tax basis in a Certificate will equal the amount that such holder paid to acquire the Certificate. Subject to the discussion below under “Constructive Ownership,” any such gain or loss generally will be long-term capital gain or loss if the Certificates were held for more than one year at the time of settlement or at the time of sale or other disposition.

Constructive Ownership. Some or all of the net long-term capital gain arising from certain “constructive ownership” transactions may be characterized as ordinary income, in which case an interest charge would be imposed on any such ordinary income. These rules have no immediate application to forward contracts in respect of most property underlying the Certificates, since they are only applicable to the extent that the underlying property directly or indirectly includes shares of issuers treated as PFICs or as certain other “pass-thru” entities. These rules, however, grant discretionary authority to the U.S. Treasury Department to expand the scope of “constructive ownership” transactions to include forward contracts in respect of the stock of all corporations, in addition to forward contracts in respect of any debt instrument. The rules separately also direct the Treasury to promulgate regulations excluding a forward contract that does not convey “substantially all” of the economic return on any underlying asset from the scope of “constructive ownership” transactions. It is not possible to predict whether such regulations will be promulgated by the U.S. Treasury Department, or the form or effective date that any regulations that may be promulgated might take.

Interest in the Underlying Property

Depending on the terms of particular Certificates, a U.S. holder could be treated as owning the property underlying those Certificates for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In that event, for example, in the case of Index Certificates, the U.S. holder would be required to recognize appropriate amounts of capital gain on the disposition of any shares included in the underlying Index each time that the Index is rebalanced. In such a case, such U.S. holder also would be subject to tax on dividends on shares included in the Index in an amount equal to the gross dividends paid by companies whose shares are included in the Index. In addition, any

current expenses (including any withholding taxes) in respect of shares included in the Index would be treated as if made directly by the U.S. holder, and the deductibility of such expenses (or creditability of such withholding taxes) could be subject to certain limitations.

Possible Alternative Tax Treatment

If a Certificate is treated as a unit consisting of a loan and a forward contract, a U.S. holder could be required to accrue a significant amount of original issue discount on a current basis during the period in which it holds the Certificate. Alternatively, it is possible that the Certificates could be characterized for U.S. federal income tax purposes as debt instruments that are subject to the Treasury regulations governing contingent payment debt instruments, in which case, among other matters a U.S. holder would be required to accrue income, as original issue discount, at a “comparable yield” for BNPP, on the purchase price. Furthermore, any gain realized with respect to the Certificates would generally be treated as ordinary income.

It is also possible that future regulations or other IRS guidance would require a U.S. holder to accrue income on the Certificates on a current basis. The IRS and U.S. Treasury Department recently issued proposed regulations that require the current accrual of income with respect to contingent nonperiodic payments made under certain notional principal contracts. The preamble to the regulations states that the “wait and see” method of tax accounting does not properly reflect the economic accrual of income on such contracts, and requires a current accrual of income with respect to some contracts already in existence at the time the proposed regulations were released. While the proposed regulations do not apply to prepaid forward contracts, the preamble to the proposed regulations expresses the view that similar timing issues exist in the case of prepaid forward contracts. If the IRS published future guidance requiring current accrual of income with respect to contingent payments on prepaid forward contracts, it is possible that a U.S. holder could be required to accrue income over the term of the Certificates.

Currency Warrants and Certificates

In general, except to the extent that the mark-to-market and character rules under Section 1256 apply (see “— Warrants — Mark-to-Market Rules” above), any gain or loss realized in respect of a Currency Warrant or Certificate will be ordinary income or loss. Any such gain or loss generally must be recognized upon a sale, exchange, termination, rollover, settlement or exercise of such Warrant or Certificate, as well as upon an offset of one contract against another in certain circumstances. In general, if a Currency Warrant or Certificate is subject to Section 1256, a U.S. holder will be required to include mark-to-market gain or loss in respect of such Currency Warrant or Certificate at the end of each year (or upon transfer, termination, exercise, lapse or other disposition), with 40% of such gain or loss being short-term and 60% of such gain or loss being long-term. If appropriate, additional U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to Currency Warrants and Certificates will be set forth in the applicable Final Terms.

Foreign Currency Rules

Payments of premium, exercise price, sale proceeds, and cash settlement amounts in respect of Warrants or Certificates that are denominated in a currency other than the U.S. dollar will be subject to special U.S. tax rules regarding foreign currency transactions. U.S. holders should consult their own tax advisors concerning the application of these rules in their particular circumstances.

Non-U.S. Holders

Except as noted in the applicable Final Terms, the following summary describes the tax consequences to non-U.S. holders of investing in Warrants or Certificates.

Under U.S. federal income tax law as currently in effect, holders of Certificates that are non-U.S. holders will not be subject to U.S. federal income taxes, including withholding taxes, on any payments of interest on the Certificates so long as the beneficial owner of the Certificates provides a Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or otherwise satisfies applicable documentary requirements for establishing that it is a non-U.S. holder, unless such interest is effectively connected with the conduct by the holder of a trade or business in the United States.

Provided that the beneficial owner of the Warrant or Certificate provides an Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or otherwise satisfies applicable documentary requirements for establishing that it is a non-U.S. holder, the gain realized on any the sale or exchange of the Warrants or Certificates or lapse of the Warrants by a non-U.S. holder will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax, including withholding tax, unless (i) such gain is effectively connected with the conduct by the holder of a trade or business in the United States or (ii) in the case of gain realized by an individual holder, the holder is present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year of the sale and either (A) such gain or income is attributable to an office or other fixed place of business maintained in the United States by such holder or (B) such holder has a tax home in the United States.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

The paying agent will be required to file information returns with the IRS with respect to payments made to certain U.S. holders of Warrants or Certificates. In addition, certain U.S. holders may be subject to backup withholding tax in respect of such payments if they do not provide their taxpayer identification numbers to the paying agent. Persons holding Warrants or Certificates who are not U.S. holders may be required to comply with applicable certification procedures to establish that they are non-U.S. holders in order to avoid the application of such information reporting requirements and backup withholding tax.

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The payment of the Cash Settlement Amount on the Securities, if any, will be made subject to withholding taxes and taxes which the law may impose on holders of the Securities.

Individuals and legal entities should consult their usual tax advisors with respect to the tax treatment which applies to them.

In addition, holders of the Securities should comply with the tax laws applicable in the jurisdiction in which they are resident, subject to the application of any applicable tax treaty in force between France or, as the case may be, the Netherlands, and such jurisdiction.

Purchasers of Securities may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country of purchase in addition to the issue price of each Security.

TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING SECURITIES MAY HAVE TAX CONSEQUENCES FOR POTENTIAL PURCHASERS WHICH MAY DEPEND, AMONGST OTHER THINGS, UPON THE STATUS OF THE POTENTIAL PURCHASER AND LAWS RELATING TO TRANSFER AND REGISTRATION TAXES. POTENTIAL PURCHASERS WHO ARE IN ANY DOUBT ABOUT THE TAX POSITION OF ANY ASPECT OF TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING SECURITIES SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISERS.

Transactions involving Securities may have tax consequences for potential purchasers which may depend, amongst other things, upon the status of the potential purchaser and may relate to transfer and registration taxes.

Condition 12 (“*Expenses and Taxation*”) (in relation to Warrants) and Condition 12 (“*Expenses and Taxation*”) (in relation to Certificates) should be considered carefully by all potential purchasers of any Securities.

Stamp duty on Global Warrants

The following summary relates to United Kingdom stamp duty. Purchasers of Warrants may be subject to other tax consequences in relation to Warrants.

In addition to any other tax consequences, potential purchasers of Warrants should note that each Global Warrant may constitute an instrument which is subject to United Kingdom stamp duty by reference to the amount of the consideration given for the Warrants represented by such Global Warrant. However, each Global Warrant is being executed and delivered outside the United Kingdom and should not be brought into the United Kingdom save for the purposes of enforcement. So long as a Global Warrant is held outside the United Kingdom, because it is not required to be brought into the United Kingdom for any purpose, no requirement to pay United Kingdom stamp duty will arise. However, if a Global Warrant were brought into the United Kingdom to be used as evidence (for example, for enforcement purposes) or for any other purposes, United Kingdom stamp duty will be required to be paid on such Global Warrant before the Global Warrant can be used for that purpose. If stamp duty is payable on the Global Warrant, interest will be payable (in addition to stamp duty) in respect of the period from 30 days after the date of execution of the Global Warrant to the date of payment. Furthermore penalties may also be payable if the Global Warrant is not stamped within 30 days of being brought into the United Kingdom. If a Global Warrant is subject to United Kingdom stamp duty, it would be inadmissible in evidence in a United Kingdom court in civil proceedings unless duly stamped.

An instrument transferring a Registered Warrant will be stampable if the instrument is executed in the United Kingdom or, if executed outside the United Kingdom, the instrument relates to anything done or to be done in the United Kingdom, except where the Warrant relates to UK government securities, debt securities in bearer form or other bearer securities denominated in a currency other than sterling.

All prospective holders should seek independent advice as to their tax positions.

U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974

The U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), imposes certain restrictions on employee benefit plans (“ERISA Plans”) that are subject to ERISA and on persons who are fiduciaries with respect to these ERISA Plans. In accordance with ERISA’s general fiduciary requirements, a fiduciary with respect to an ERISA Plan who is considering the purchase of the U.S. Securities on behalf of the ERISA Plan should determine whether the purchase is permitted under the governing ERISA Plan documents and is prudent and appropriate for the ERISA Plan in view of its overall investment policy and the composition and diversification of its portfolio. Other provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to ERISA but which are subject to Section 4975 of the Code, such as individual retirement accounts (together with any entities whose underlying assets include the assets of any such plans and with ERISA Plans, Plans)) and persons who have certain specified relationships to the Plan (“parties in interest” within the meaning of ERISA or “disqualified persons” within the meaning of Section 4975 of the Code). Thus, a Plan fiduciary considering the purchase of the U.S. Securities should consider whether such a purchase might constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

BNPP, directly or through its affiliates, may be considered a “party in interest” or a “disqualified person” with respect to many Plans. The purchase of the U.S. Securities by a Plan with respect to which BNPP is a party in interest or a disqualified person may constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, unless the U.S. Securities are acquired pursuant to and in accordance with an applicable exemption, such as Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“PTCE”) 84-14 (an exemption for certain transactions determined by an independent qualified professional asset manager), PTCE 91-38 (an exemption for certain transactions involving bank collective investment funds), PTCE 90-1 (an exemption for certain transactions involving insurance company pooled separate accounts), PTCE 95-60 (an exemption for certain transactions involving insurance company general accounts), or PTCE 96-23 (an exemption for certain transactions determined by an in-house asset manager). U.S. Governmental plans and certain church plans, while not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, may nevertheless be subject to local, state or other federal laws that are substantially similar to the foregoing provisions of ERISA and the Code. ANY PENSION OR OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN, INCLUDING ANY SUCH GOVERNMENTAL OR CHURCH PLAN AND ANY INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNT, PROPOSING TO ACQUIRE ANY U.S. SECURITIES SHOULD CONSULT WITH ITS COUNSEL.

By its purchase of any U.S. Warrant, the purchaser or transferee thereof will be deemed to represent, on each day from the date on which the purchaser or transferee acquires the U.S. Securities through and including the date on which the purchaser or transferee disposes of its interest in such U.S. Securities, either that (a) it is not a Plan, an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any Plan, or a governmental or church plan which is subject to any federal, state or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (b) its purchase, holding and, disposition of such U.S. Securities (including, if applicable, the receipt of any Entitlement will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or in the case of a governmental or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state or local law) unless an exemption is available with respect to such transactions and all the conditions of such exemption have been satisfied.

Nothing herein shall be construed as a representation that any investment in the U.S. Securities would meet any or all of the relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by, or is appropriate for, Plans generally or any particular Plan.

The above discussion may be modified or supplemented with respect to a particular offering of U.S. Securities, including the addition of further ERISA restrictions on purchase and transfer. Holders should consult the applicable Final Terms for such additional information.

NOTICE TO PURCHASERS AND HOLDERS OF U.S. SECURITIES AND TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS

As a result of the following restrictions, purchasers of Securities are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any purchase, offer, sale, resale or other transfer of such Securities.

All discussions of U.S. federal tax considerations in this Base Prospectus have been written to support the marketing of the Securities. Such discussions were not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used by any taxpayer, for the purpose of avoiding U.S. federal tax penalties. Investors should consult their own tax advisors in determining the tax consequences to them of holding Securities, including the application to their particular situation of the U.S. federal tax considerations discussed below, as well as the application of state, local, foreign or other tax laws.

Each purchaser of Securities will, by its purchase of such Securities, be deemed to acknowledge, represent and agree as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A, Regulation S or the Conditions are used herein as defined therein):

- (i) that either: (a) in the case of the issue or transfer of a Security to or for a person who takes delivery in the form of Securities represented by a Rule 144A Global Security, it is a QIB, purchasing (or holding) the Securities for its own account or for the account of one or more QIBs and it is aware, and each beneficial owner of such Securities has been advised, that any sale to it is being made in reliance on Rule 144A or (b) in the case of the issue or transfer of Securities to or for a person who takes delivery in the form of a Private Placement Definitive Security, it is an AI, purchasing (or holding) such Security for its own account or for the account of one or more AIs and it is aware, and each beneficial owner of such Security has been advised, that any sale to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration required under the Securities Act provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and it has delivered an Investor Representation Letter or (c) it has been advised that any sale to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from registration under the Securities Act or (d) it is outside the United States and is not a U.S. person;
- (ii) that in issuing a Security linked to any Relevant Asset, BNPP is not making, and has not made, any representations whatsoever as to the Relevant Asset or any information contained in any document filed by the issuer of such Relevant Asset with any exchange or with any governmental entity regulating the purchase and sale of securities or a Security linked to any Relevant Asset;
- (iii) that BNPP and any affiliate of BNPP may, whether by virtue of the types of relationships described above or otherwise, at the date hereof or at any time hereafter be in possession of information in relation to the issuer of a Relevant Asset which is or may be material in the context of an issue of Securities linked to such Relevant Asset and which is or may not be known to the general public or any Holder. Securities linked to any Relevant Asset do not create any obligation on the part of BNPP or any affiliate of the Issuer to disclose to any Holder any such relationship or information (whether or not confidential) and neither BNPP nor any other affiliate of BNPP shall be liable to any Holder by reason of such non-disclosure. No such information had been used in the selection of any issuer of a Relevant Asset for any Securities linked to any Relevant Asset;
- (iv) that BNPP and any affiliate of BNPP may have existing or future business relationships with the issuer of a Relevant Asset (including, but not limited to, lending, depositary, risk management advisory or banking relationships), and will pursue actions and take steps that it deems or they deem necessary or appropriate to protect its or their interests arising therefrom without regard to the consequences for a Holder of a Security linked to the issuer of a Relevant Asset;

- (v) that the market value of Securities linked to the issuer of a Relevant Asset may be adversely affected by movements in the value of the issuer of the Relevant Asset or in currency exchange rates;
- (vi) that the Settlement Amount in respect of any Security may be less than its issue price;
- (vii) that no Securities have been or will be registered under the Securities Act or any applicable U.S. State securities laws and no Securities may be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except as set forth below;
- (viii) that, unless it holds an interest in a Clearing System Global Security (representing Securities that may only be transferred outside the United States to a non-U.S. person), if in the future it decides to resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Securities or any beneficial interests in the Securities, it will do so, only (a) inside the United States to a person whom the seller reasonably believes is a QIB purchasing for its own account or for the account of a QIB in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A, (b) outside the United States to a non-U.S. person in compliance with Regulation S, (c) pursuant to another exemption from registration under the Securities Act (if available) or (d) pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act, in each case, in accordance with all applicable U.S. State securities laws and as provided in the applicable Final Terms;
- (ix) it will, and will require each subsequent Holder to, notify any purchaser of Securities from it of the resale restrictions referred to in paragraph (viii) above, if then applicable;
- (x) that Securities initially offered in the United States to QIBs will be represented by a Rule 144A Global Security, that Securities offered to AIs will be in the form of Private Placement Definitive Securities, and that, in each such case, the Securities offered outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by a Regulation S Global Security;
- (xi) on each day from the date on which it acquires the U.S. Securities through and including the date on which it disposes of its interests in such U.S. Securities, either that (a) it is not an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, subject to Title I of ERISA, a “plan” (defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code subject to Section 4975 of the Code (including without limitation, an individual retirement account), an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any such employee benefit plan or plan, or a governmental or church plan which is subject to any federal, state or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (b) its purchase, holding and disposition of such U.S. Securities will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state or local law) unless an exemption is available with respect to such transactions and all the conditions of such exemption have been satisfied.
- (xii) that Rule 144A Global Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless otherwise agreed to by BNPP:

“THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS RULE 144A GLOBAL SECURITY HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”). SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS RULE 144A GLOBAL SECURITY MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHOUT REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT UNLESS AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE. BNP PARIBAS, THE ISSUER OF THIS RULE 144A GLOBAL SECURITY, HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED. THE PURCHASER OF ANY SECURITY REPRESENTED BY THIS RULE 144A GLOBAL SECURITY ACKNOWLEDGES THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE TRANSFER OF THE SECURITIES SET FORTH BELOW AND

AGREES THAT IT SHALL TRANSFER ANY SECURITY ONLY AS PROVIDED IN THE AGENCY AGREEMENT REFERRED TO HEREIN OR IN THE FINAL TERMS OR FINAL TERMS ATTACHED HERETO.

THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS RULE 144A GLOBAL SECURITY MAY NOT BE RESOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGENCY AGREEMENT AND FINAL TERMS REFERRED TO HEREIN AND OTHER THAN PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED BY RULE 144A, REGULATION S OR OTHERWISE THEREUNDER AND A NOTICE SUBSTANTIALLY TO THE EFFECT OF THIS LEGEND SHALL BE DELIVERED TO EACH PERSON TO WHOM SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS RULE 144A GLOBAL SECURITY ARE TRANSFERRED.

EACH HOLDER OF A BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS RULE 144A GLOBAL SECURITY SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED WITH RESPECT TO ITSELF AND EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THAT IT AND EACH HOLDER OF SUCH ACCOUNT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A AND ACQUIRED SUCH INTEREST IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A. ANY RESALE OR OTHER TRANSFER OF AN INTEREST IN THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS RULE 144A GLOBAL SECURITY MAY, IF APPLICABLE, REQUIRE THE TRANSFEROR TO SUBMIT TO THE RELEVANT SECURITY AGENT A CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER, IN THE APPROPRIATE FORM SET FORTH IN SCHEDULE, OR TO THE AGENCY AGREEMENT REFERRED TO HEREIN, TOGETHER, IN THE CASE OF TRANSFERS TO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 501(a) OF REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, WITH A DULY EXECUTED INVESTOR REPRESENTATION LETTER FROM THE RELEVANT TRANSFEREE, IN THE FORM SET FORTH IN SCHEDULE OF THE AGENCY AGREEMENT REFERRED TO HEREIN. IF AT ANY TIME THE NEW YORK SECURITY AGENT SUBSEQUENTLY DETERMINES OR IS SUBSEQUENTLY NOTIFIED BY BNPP THAT THE HOLDER OF ANY INTEREST IN THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS RULE 144A GLOBAL SECURITY WAS IN BREACH, AT THE TIME GIVEN, OF ANY REPRESENTATION OR AGREEMENT GIVEN BY SUCH HOLDER, THE PURPORTED TRANSFER SHALL BE ABSOLUTELY NULL AND VOID AB INITIO AND SHALL VEST NO RIGHTS IN THE PURPORTED TRANSFEREE (SUCH PURPORTED TRANSFEREE, A "DISQUALIFIED TRANSFEREE") AND THE LAST PRECEDING HOLDER OF SUCH INTEREST THAT WAS NOT A DISQUALIFIED TRANSFEREE SHALL BE RESTORED TO ALL RIGHTS AS A HOLDER THEREOF RETROACTIVELY TO THE DATE OF TRANSFER OF SUCH INTEREST BY SUCH HOLDER.

THE ACQUISITION OF THE U.S. SECURITIES BY, OR ON BEHALF OF, OR WITH THE ASSETS OF ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), OR ANY "PLAN" SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), OR ANY ENTITY PART OR ALL OF THE ASSETS OF WHICH CONSTITUTE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN OR PLAN BY REASON OF DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REGULATION SECTION 2510.3 101 OR OTHERWISE, OR ANY GOVERNMENTAL OR CHURCH PLAN SUBJECT TO FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE IS PROHIBITED UNLESS SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND SUBSEQUENT

DISPOSITION OF THE U.S. SECURITIES (INCLUDING, IF APPLICABLE, THE RECEIPT OF ANY ENTITLEMENT) WOULD NOT RESULT IN ANY PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR UNDER SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR IN THE CASE OF A GOVERNMENTAL OR CHURCH PLAN, ANY SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW).

IF REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR BY A SECURITY AGENT, THE PURCHASER AGREES TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION NECESSARY TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE TRANSFER OF SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS RULE 144A GLOBAL SECURITY IS PERMISSIBLE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT.

THE SECURITIES AND RELATED DOCUMENTATION MAY BE AMENDED OR SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME TO MODIFY THE RESTRICTIONS ON AND PROCEDURES FOR REALES AND OTHER TRANSFERS OF THE SECURITIES TO REFLECT ANY CHANGE IN APPLICABLE LAW OR REGULATION (OR THE INTERPRETATION THEREOF) OR IN PRACTICES RELATING TO THE RESALE OR TRANSFER OF RESTRICTED SECURITIES GENERALLY. BY THE ACCEPTANCE OF A SECURITY REPRESENTED BY THIS RULE 144A GLOBAL SECURITY, THE PURCHASER THEREOF SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE AGREED TO ANY SUCH AMENDMENT OR SUPPLEMENT.

- (xiii) that Private Placement Definitive Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless otherwise agreed to by BNPP:

“THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”). THIS SECURITY MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHOUT REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT UNLESS AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE. BNP PARIBAS, THE ISSUER OF THIS SECURITY, HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED. THE PURCHASER OF THIS SECURITY, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE HEREOF, ACKNOWLEDGES THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE TRANSFER OF THIS SECURITY SET FORTH BELOW AND AGREES THAT IT SHALL TRANSFER THIS SECURITY ONLY AS PROVIDED IN THE AGENCY AGREEMENT REFERRED TO HEREIN OR IN THE FINAL TERMS ATTACHED HERETO.

THIS SECURITY MAY NOT BE RESOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGENCY AGREEMENT AND FINAL TERMS REFERRED TO HEREIN AND OTHER THAN PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED BY RULE 144A, REGULATION S OR OTHERWISE THEREUNDER AND A NOTICE SUBSTANTIALLY TO THE EFFECT OF THIS LEGEND SHALL BE DELIVERED TO EACH PERSON TO WHOM THIS SECURITY IS TRANSFERRED.

THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED WITH RESPECT TO ITSELF AND ANY ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THAT IT AND ANY HOLDER OF SUCH ACCOUNT IS AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 501(a) OF REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND ACQUIRED SUCH INTEREST IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT. ANY RESALE OR OTHER TRANSFER OF INTEREST IN THIS SECURITY MAY, IF APPLICABLE, REQUIRE THE TRANSFEROR TO SUBMIT TO THE DEFINITIVE SECURITY AGENT A CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER, IN THE

APPROPRIATE FORM SET FORTH IN SCHEDULE •, • OR • OF THE AGENCY AGREEMENT REFERRED TO HEREIN, TOGETHER, IN THE CASE OF A TRANSFER TO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR, WITH A DULY EXECUTED INVESTOR REPRESENTATION LETTER FROM THE RELEVANT TRANSFEREE, IN THE FORM SET FORTH IN SCHEDULE •, • OR • OF THE AGENCY AGREEMENT REFERRED TO HEREIN. IF AT ANY TIME THE DEFINITIVE SECURITY AGENT SUBSEQUENTLY DETERMINES OR IS SUBSEQUENTLY NOTIFIED BY THE ISSUER THAT THE HOLDER OF ANY INTEREST IN THIS SECURITY WAS IN BREACH, AT THE TIME GIVEN, OF ANY REPRESENTATION OR AGREEMENT GIVEN BY SUCH HOLDER, THE PURPORTED TRANSFER SHALL BE ABSOLUTELY NULL AND VOID AB INITIO AND SHALL VEST NO RIGHTS IN THE PURPORTED TRANSFEREE (SUCH PURPORTED TRANSFEREE, A “DISQUALIFIED TRANSFEREE”) AND THE LAST PRECEDING HOLDER OF SUCH INTEREST THAT WAS NOT A DISQUALIFIED TRANSFEREE SHALL BE RESTORED TO ALL RIGHTS AS A HOLDER THEREOF RETROACTIVELY TO THE DATE OF TRANSFER OF SUCH INTEREST BY SUCH HOLDER.

THE ACQUISITION OF THE U.S. SECURITIES (INCLUDING, IF APPLICABLE, THE RECEIPT OF ANY ENTITLEMENT) BY, OR ON BEHALF OF, OR WITH THE ASSETS OF ANY “EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN” SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED (“ERISA”), OR ANY “PLAN” SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “CODE”), OR ANY ENTITY PART OR ALL OF THE ASSETS OF WHICH CONSTITUTE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN OR PLAN BY REASON OF DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REGULATION SECTION 2510.3- 101 OR OTHERWISE, OR ANY GOVERNMENTAL OR CHURCH PLAN SUBJECT TO FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE IS PROHIBITED UNLESS SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND SUBSEQUENT DISPOSITION OF THE U.S. SECURITIES WOULD NOT RESULT IN ANY PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR UNDER SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR IN THE CASE OF A GOVERNMENTAL OR CHURCH PLAN, ANY SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW).

IF REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR BY A SECURITY AGENT, THE PURCHASER AGREES TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION NECESSARY TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE TRANSFER OF THIS SECURITY IS PERMISSIBLE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT.

THIS SECURITY AND RELATED DOCUMENTATION MAY BE AMENDED OR SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME TO MODIFY THE RESTRICTIONS ON AND PROCEDURES FOR REALES AND OTHER TRANSFERS OF THIS SECURITY TO REFLECT ANY CHANGE IN APPLICABLE LAW OR REGULATION (OR THE INTERPRETATION THEREOF) OR IN PRACTICES RELATING TO THE RESALE OR TRANSFER OF RESTRICTED SECURITIES GENERALLY. BY THE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS SECURITY, THE PURCHASER THEREOF SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE AGREED TO ANY SUCH AMENDMENT OR SUPPLEMENT.”

- (xiv) that Regulation S Global Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless otherwise agreed to by BNPP:

“THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”). SECURITIES

REPRESENTED BY THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHOUT REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT UNLESS AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE. BNP PARIBAS, THE ISSUER OF THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY, HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED. THE PURCHASER OF ANY SECURITY REPRESENTED BY THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY ACKNOWLEDGES THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE TRANSFER OF THE SECURITIES SET FORTH BELOW AND AGREES THAT IT SHALL TRANSFER ANY SECURITY ONLY AS PROVIDED IN THE AGENCY AGREEMENT REFERRED TO HEREIN OR IN THE FINAL TERMS ATTACHED HERETO.

THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY MAY NOT BE RESOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGENCY AGREEMENT AND FINAL TERMS REFERRED TO HEREIN AND OTHER THAN PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED BY RULE 144A, REGULATION S OR OTHERWISE THEREUNDER AND A NOTICE SUBSTANTIALLY TO THE EFFECT OF THIS LEGEND SHALL BE DELIVERED TO EACH PERSON TO WHOM SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY ARE TRANSFERRED. THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY MAY NOT BE EXERCISED BY OR ON BEHALF OF ANY U.S. PERSON (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S) UNLESS REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE.

EACH HOLDER OF A BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED WITH RESPECT TO ITSELF AND EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THAT IT AND EACH HOLDER OF SUCH ACCOUNT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON AND THAT IT AND EACH SUCH HOLDER HAS ACQUIRED SUCH INTEREST IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF REGULATION S AND WILL NOT ENGAGE IN HEDGING TRANSACTIONS WITH REGARD TO THE SECURITIES UNLESS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT. ANY RESALE OR OTHER TRANSFER OF AN INTEREST IN THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY SHALL, DURING THE APPLICABLE DISTRIBUTION COMPLIANCE PERIOD (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S), REQUIRE THE TRANSFEROR TO SUBMIT TO THE PRINCIPAL SECURITY AGENT A CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER, IN THE APPROPRIATE FORM SET FORTH IN SCHEDULE ●, ● OR ● OF THE AGENCY AGREEMENT REFERRED TO HEREIN, TOGETHER, IN THE CASE OF TRANSFERS TO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 501(a) OF REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, WITH A DULY EXECUTED INVESTOR REPRESENTATION LETTER FROM THE RELEVANT TRANSFEREE, IN THE FORM SET FORTH IN SCHEDULE ● OF THE AGENCY AGREEMENT REFERRED TO HEREIN. IF AT ANY TIME THE PRINCIPAL SECURITY AGENT SUBSEQUENTLY DETERMINES OR IS SUBSEQUENTLY NOTIFIED BY THE ISSUER THAT THE HOLDER OF ANY INTEREST IN THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY WAS IN BREACH, AT THE TIME GIVEN, OF ANY REPRESENTATION OR AGREEMENT GIVEN BY SUCH HOLDER, THE PURPORTED TRANSFER SHALL BE ABSOLUTELY NULL AND VOID AB INITIO AND SHALL VEST NO RIGHTS IN THE PURPORTED TRANSFEREE (SUCH PURPORTED TRANSFEREE, A “DISQUALIFIED TRANSFEREE”) AND THE LAST PRECEDING HOLDER OF SUCH INTEREST THAT WAS

NOT A DISQUALIFIED TRANSFEREE SHALL BE RESTORED TO ALL RIGHTS AS A HOLDER THEREOF RETROACTIVELY TO THE DATE OF TRANSFER OF SUCH INTEREST BY SUCH HOLDER.

THE ACQUISITION OF THE U.S. SECURITIES BY, OR ON BEHALF OF, OR WITH THE ASSETS OF ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), OR ANY "PLAN" SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), OR ANY ENTITY PART OR ALL OF THE ASSETS OF WHICH CONSTITUTE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN OR PLAN BY REASON OF DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REGULATION SECTION 2510.3 101 OR OTHERWISE, OR ANY GOVERNMENTAL OR CHURCH PLAN SUBJECT TO FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE IS PROHIBITED UNLESS SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND SUBSEQUENT DISPOSITION OF THE U.S. SECURITIES (INCLUDING, IF APPLICABLE, THE RECEIPT OF ANY ENTITLEMENT) WOULD NOT RESULT IN ANY PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR UNDER SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR IN THE CASE OF A GOVERNMENTAL OR CHURCH PLAN, ANY SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW).

IF REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR BY A SECURITY AGENT, THE PURCHASER AGREES TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION NECESSARY TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE TRANSFER OF SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY IS PERMISSIBLE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT.

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- (xv) that BNPP and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgements, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of such acknowledgements, representations or agreements made by it are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify BNPP; and if it is acquiring any Securities as a fiduciary or agent for one or more accounts it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and that it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgements, representations and agreements on behalf of each such account.

AIs who purchase U.S. Securities in definitive form offered and sold in the United States in reliance upon the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act are required to execute and deliver to the Definitive Warrant Agent or the Definitive Certificate Agent, as the case may be, an Investor Representation Letter. Upon execution and delivery of an Investor Representation Letter by an AI, Private Placement Definitive Securities will be issued.

The Investor Representation Letter will state, among other things, the following:

- (i) that the AI or an investment advisor acting on its behalf has reviewed a copy of this Base Prospectus and the Final Terms relating to the Securities, including, without limitation, the risk factors relating to

the Securities, and such other information as it deems necessary in order to make its investment decision;

- (ii) that the AI understands that any subsequent transfer of the Securities is subject to certain restrictions and conditions set forth in this Base Prospectus and the Final Terms relating to the Securities (including those set out above) and that it agrees to be bound by, and not to resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Securities except in compliance with such restrictions and conditions and the Securities Act;
- (iii) that the AI is a sophisticated investor that, in the normal course of its business, invests in or purchases securities similar to the Securities and any Relevant Asset and has knowledge and experience in investment matters;
- (iv) that the purchaser and each account for which it is acting is an AI within the meaning of Rule 501(a) of Regulation D under the Securities Act, and that it has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Securities, and it and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of its or any such accounts' investment for an indefinite period of time;
- (v) that the AI is acquiring the Securities purchased by it for its own account or for one or more accounts (each of which is an AI) as to each of which it exercises sole investment discretion and has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgements, representations and agreements on behalf of each such account, and not with a view to any resale, distribution or other disposition of the Securities, subject, nevertheless, to the understanding that the disposition of its property shall at all times be and remain within its control;
- (vi) that the AI acknowledges that (a) it did not rely on any investigation that the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any person acting on their behalf may have conducted with respect to any Relevant Asset or the issuer of any such Relevant Asset, and none of such persons has made any representation to it, express or implied, with respect to any such Relevant Asset and the issuer of any such Relevant Asset; (b) it conducted and relied on its own investigation with respect to the Relevant Asset; (c) it received all information that it believes is necessary or appropriate in connection with any such Relevant Asset;
- (vii) that, on each day from the date on which it acquires the U.S. Securities through and including the date on which it disposes of its interests in such U.S. Securities, either that (a) the AI is not an "employee benefit plan" as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA subject to Title I of ERISA, a "plan" (defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code subject to Section 4975 of the Code (including without limitation, an individual retirement account), an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any such employee benefit plan or plan, or a governmental or church plan which is subject to any federal, state or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (b) the AI's purchase, holding and disposition of such U.S. Securities (including, if applicable, the receipt of any Entitlement) will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state or local law) unless an exemption is available with respect to such transactions and all the conditions of such exemption have been satisfied;
- (viii) that the AI acknowledges that BNPP and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgements, representations and agreements, and it agrees that if any of such acknowledgements, representations or agreements made by it are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify BNPP;

- (ix) that the AI acknowledges that it assumes all economic risk of loss that may occur as a result of changes in the prices of the Securities and the Relevant Assets in accordance with the terms of the Securities, and that it will not look directly or indirectly on BNPP or its affiliates to indemnify it for such loss, and that it expressly holds BNPP and its affiliates harmless in respect of any such loss; and
- (x) that the AI is an “eligible contract participant” within the meaning of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended.

OFFERING AND SALE

No action has been or will be taken by BNPP B.V., BNPP or the Managers that would permit a public offering of any Securities or possession or distribution of any offering material in relation to any Securities in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. No offers, sales, re-sales or deliveries of any Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to any Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances which will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and which will not impose any obligation on BNPP B.V., BNPP and/or the Managers.

United States

None of the Securities, the Guarantees or, in the case of Physical Delivery Securities, the Entitlement to be delivered upon the exercise (in the case of Physical Delivery Warrants) or the redemption (in the case of Physical Delivery Certificates) of such Securities have been, or will be, registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws and trading in the Securities has not been approved by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended. Neither Issuer has registered as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are being offered and sold pursuant to the registration exemption contained in Regulation S under the Securities Act. No Securities of such series, or interests therein, may at any time be offered, sold, resold, traded, pledged, exercised, redeemed, transferred or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person and any offer, sale, resale, trade, pledge, exercise, redemption, transfer or delivery made, directly or indirectly, within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person will not be recognised. The Securities of such series may not be legally or beneficially owned at any time by any U.S. person, as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and accordingly are being offered and sold outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in reliance on Regulation S. In addition, U.S. Securities are being offered and sold in the United States by BNPP only (a) to QIBs in reliance on and in compliance with Rule 144A, or (b) to AIs in reliance upon the exemption provided by Section 4(2).

As used herein, a U.S. person is any person who is (i) an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States; (ii) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (iii) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (iv) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (v) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (ii) above; or (vi) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act.

Each Manager will be required to agree that it will offer or sell any U.S. Securities only with the United States to persons it reasonably believes to be (i) QIBs (within the meaning of Rule 144A) in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 144A and (ii) certain AIs (as defined in Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act) in reliance upon the exemption provided by Section 4(2).

Each Manager will be required to agree that it will not offer or sell any Securities within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons (other than a sale pursuant to Rule 144A or Section 4(2))(a) as part of its distribution at any time and (b) otherwise until 40 days after the later of the commencement of the offering and the closing date, and it will have sent to each Manager to which it sells such Securities during the 40-day distribution compliance period a confirmation or other notice setting forth the restrictions on offers and sales of such Securities within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons.

In addition, until 40 days after the commencement of the offering of Securities pursuant to the registration exemption contained in Regulation S under the Securities Act, an offer or sale of such Securities within the United States by any dealer that is not participating in such offering may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act if such offer or sale is made otherwise than in accordance with Rule 144A or Section 4(2).

European Economic Area

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a “**Relevant Member State**”), each Manager appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Member State (the “**Relevant Implementation Date**”) it has not made and will not make an offer of Securities to the public in that Relevant Member State, except that it may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of Securities to the public in that Relevant Member State:

- in (or in Germany, where the offer starts within) the period beginning on the date of publication of a prospectus in relation to those Securities which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State, all in accordance with the Prospectus Directive and ending on the date which is 12 months after the date of such publication;
- at any time to legal entities which are authorised or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorised or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities;
- at any time to any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than €43,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than €50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts; or
- at any time in any other circumstances which do not require the publication by the relevant Issuer of a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an “**offer of Securities to the public**” in relation to any Securities in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Securities to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Securities, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State and the expression “**Prospectus Directive**” means Directive 2003/71/EC and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Relevant Member State.

France

BNPP, BNPP B.V. and any Manager of an issue of Securities will be required to agree that they will not offer or sell, directly or indirectly, any Securities to the public in the Republic of France, and that offers of Securities in the Republic of France will be made only in accordance with articles L.411-1 and L.411-2 of the French Monetary and Financial Code (*Code Monétaire et Financier*) and Decree n° 98-880 dated 1st October, 1998 relating to offers to qualified investors. The Base Prospectus and the Final Terms may not be distributed otherwise than to investors to whom offers of Securities in the Republic of France may be made as described above. The selling restriction for any issue of Securities which are to be listed on Euronext Paris S.A. will be included in the applicable Final Terms.

Netherlands

No Securities may, directly or indirectly, be offered or sold:

- in the case of Securities issued by BNPP B.V. (i) anywhere in the world, other than to persons who trade or invest in securities in the conduct of a profession or business (“**Professional Investors**”, which include banks, stockbrokers, insurance companies, investment undertakings, pension funds, other institutional investors and finance companies and treasury departments of large enterprises) or (ii) *in the Netherlands*, other than to Professional Investors and otherwise to persons established, resident or domiciled outside the Netherlands in compliance with the relevant rules of any country where the Securities are offered or sold or (iii) other than in circumstances where one of the exceptions to or other exemptions from the prohibition contained in Article 3(1) of the Securities Transactions Supervision Act 1995 (*Wet toezicht effectenverkeer 1995*, the “**STSA**”) applies; and/or
- in the case of Securities issued by BNPP, in the Netherlands other than (i) to Professional Investors or (ii) in circumstances where one of the exceptions to or other exemptions from the prohibition contained in Article 3(1) of the STSA applies.

United Kingdom

All applicable provisions of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the “**FSMA**”) must be complied with in respect to anything done in relation to any Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom. An invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the FSMA) may only be communicated or caused to be communicated in connection with the issue or sale of any Securities in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not or, in the case of BNPP, would not, if it was not an authorised person, apply to BNPP B.V. or BNPP.

Each Manager appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that:

- in relation to Securities which have a maturity of one year or more and which are not to be admitted to the Official List, during the period up to but excluding the Implementation Date, it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell any such Securities to persons in the United Kingdom except to persons whose ordinary activities involve them in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of their businesses or otherwise in circumstances which have not resulted and will not result in an offer to the public in the United Kingdom within the meaning of the Public Offers of Securities Regulations 1995 (as amended);
- in relation to any Securities issued by BNPP B.V. which have a maturity of less than one year, (i) it is a person whose ordinary activities involve it in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of its business and (ii) it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell any Securities other than to persons whose ordinary activities involve them in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or as agent) for the purposes of their businesses or who it is reasonable to expect will acquire, hold, manage or dispose of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of their businesses where the issue of the Securities would otherwise constitute a contravention of Section 19 of the FSMA by BNPP B.V.;
- it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Securities in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not or, in the case of BNPP, would not, if it was not an authorised person, apply to the relevant Issuer or the Guarantor; and

- it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to any Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

Japan

No Securities of any series have been or will be registered under the Securities and Exchange Law of Japan (the “**Securities and Exchange Law**”) and Securities may not be offered or sold directly or indirectly in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, any resident of Japan (which term as used herein means any person resident in Japan, including any corporation or other entity organised under the laws of Japan) or to others for re-offering or re-sale, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of any resident of Japan, except pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of, and otherwise in compliance with, the Securities and Exchange Law and any other applicable laws, regulations and guidelines of Japan.

General

With regard to each issue of Securities, the relevant Manager will be required to comply with such other additional restrictions as shall be set out in the applicable Final Terms.

GENERAL INFORMATION

1 Authorisation

The establishment of the Programme has been approved by resolutions of the Board of Directors of BNPP B.V. dated 8 May 2003. The update of the Programme has been approved by resolutions of the Board of Directors of BNPP B.V. dated 2 June 2005. No authorisation procedures are required of BNPP by French law for the establishment or update of the Programme or the giving of the Guarantees. However, to the extent that Securities issued by BNPP under the Programme may constitute *obligations* under French law, the issue of such Securities is authorised pursuant to the Board resolution dated 30 July 2004.

2 Listing on the Regulated Market and the EuroMTF Market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange

Application has been made to list Securities issued under the Programme on (i) the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and to admit the Securities for trading described herein on the “*Bourse de Luxembourg*” (the “Regulated Market”) of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or (ii) the EuroMTF Market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange.

In relation to the listing on the official list of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, the Luxembourg Stock Exchange has allocated the registration number 13166 (in the case of BNPP B.V.) and 12989 (in the case of BNPP) to the Programme for listing purposes.

3 Notification

Each Issuer may request the *Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier* (the “CSSF”) to provide the competent authority of any EEA State with a certificate of approval attesting that this Base Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the *Loi relative aux prospectus pour valeurs mobilières* which implements the Prospectus Directive into Luxembourg law.

4 Documents Available

From the date hereof and so long as Securities are capable of being issued under the Programme, copies of the following documents will, when published, be available for inspection (in the case of (i), (iv), and (v) and (viii) below) or be available for collection (in the case of (ii), (iii), (vi) and (vii) below), in each case, at the specified office for the time being in Luxembourg of BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch and at the specified office for the time being in Paris of BNP Paribas Arbitrage SNC:

- (i) copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of BNPP B.V. and the *Statuts* of BNPP;
- (ii) the audited annual non-consolidated financial statements of BNPP B.V. for the two years ended 31 December, 2003 and 2004 (BNPP B.V. does not produce consolidated annual reports) and the audited annual consolidated and non-consolidated financial statements of BNPP for the two years ended 31 December, 2003 and 2004;
- (iii) the most recently published audited annual non-consolidated financial statements and audited semi-annual interim non-consolidated financial statements of BNPP B.V. (BNPP B.V. does not produce consolidated interim reports) and the most recently published audited annual consolidated and non-consolidated financial statements and unaudited semi-annual interim non-consolidated financial statements of BNPP (BNPP does not produce consolidated interim reports);
- (iv) the most recently published audited annual report in French (incorporating the audited accounts) of BNPP, called the “*Document de Référence*” by the AMF which has been filed with the AMF, under the

number D.O5-0151 dated 25 February 2005 and further updated under the number D.O5-0151-A01 dated 24 March 2005 and under the number D.O5-0151-A02 dated 23 May 2005;

- (v) copies of the Guarantees;
- (vi) the Agency Agreement (which contains the forms of the English Law Global Securities);
- (vii) this Base Prospectus; and
- (viii) in the case of a syndicated issue of listed Securities, the syndication agreement (or equivalent document).

Such documents are also available on BNPP's website: "www.invest.bnpparibas.com". In addition, copies of this Base Prospectus, any Final Terms relating to securities listed and admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange's Regulated Market, and any documents incorporated by reference in this Base Prospectus are available on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange's website: "www.bourse.lu".

5 Clearing Systems

The English Law Securities represented by a Global Warrant or a Global Certificate have been accepted for clearance through DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear. The appropriate CUSIP, common code and ISIN for each issue of English Law Securities represented by a Global Warrant or a Global Certificate allocated by DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear will be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

The French Law Securities shall be accepted for clearance through Euroclear France, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg.

If the Securities of any series are to clear through an additional or alternative clearing system the appropriate information will be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

6 Material Change

Save as disclosed in this Base Prospectus, there has been (a) no significant change in the financial or trading position of BNPP B.V. since the date of the most recently published audited annual financial statements of BNPP B.V. and (b) no material adverse change in the prospects of BNPP or no significant change in the consolidated financial position of the Group taken as a whole since the date of the most recently published audited financial statements of BNPP.

7 Legal and Arbitration Proceedings

Save as disclosed in this Base Prospectus, there have been no governmental, legal or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which either Issuer is aware), during the period covering at least the 12 months prior to the date of this Base Prospectus which may have, or have had in the recent past, significant effects on either Issuer and/or the Group's financial position or profitability.

8 Material Contracts

Neither Issuer has entered into contracts outside the ordinary course of its respective business, which could result in the relevant Issuer being under an obligation or entitlement that is material to such Issuer's ability to meet its obligation to holders of Securities in respect of the Securities being issued.

9 Third Party Information

Information contained in this Base Prospectus which is sourced from a third party has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the relevant Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by

the relevant third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. The issuer has also identified the source(s) of such information.

10 Auditors

BNPP

In accordance with French law, BNP Paribas is required to have a minimum of two statutory auditors (*commissaires aux comptes*) and two substitute statutory auditors. The statutory auditors are currently PricewaterhouseCoopers Audit (represented by Etienne Boris), Barbier Frinault & Autres (represented by Radwan Hoteit) and Mazars & Guérard (represented by Hervé Hélias). The consolidated and unconsolidated financial statements of BNP Paribas have been audited without qualification by PricewaterhouseCoopers Audit for the years ended 31 December 2003 and 2004. PricewaterhouseCoopers Audit, Barbier Frinault & Autres and Mazars & Guérard are regulated by the *Haut Conseil du Commissariat aux Comptes* and are duly authorised as *Commissaires aux comptes*. The financial statements of BNPP have been audited without qualification by PricewaterhouseCoopers Audit, Barbier Frinault & Autres and Mazars & Guérard for the years ended 31 December 2003 and 31 December 2004.

The addresses of the statutory auditors of BNP Paribas are as follows:

- (i) PricewaterhouseCoopers Audit, 63, rue de Villiers, 92208 Neuilly-Sur-Seine Cedex;
- (ii) Barbier Frinault & Autres, ERNST & YOUNG, 41, rue Ybry, F-92576 Neuilly-sur-Seine Cedex; and
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