

Base Prospectus dated 27 March 2009



Alliander Finance B.V.

(Incorporated in the Netherlands with limited liability and having its corporate seat in Arnhem)

guaranteed by

n.v. Nuon

(Incorporated in the Netherlands with limited liability and having its corporate seat in Amsterdam)

Euro 3,000,000,000

Euro Medium Term Note Programme

Under this Euro 3,000,000,000 Euro Medium Term Note Programme (the "**Programme**"), Alliander Finance B.V. (the "**Issuer**") may from time to time issue notes (the "**Notes**") denominated in any currency agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer (as defined below). The payment of all amounts due in respect of the Notes will be unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by n.v. Nuon (the "**Guarantor**" or "**Nuon**").

Subject as set out herein, the Notes will have a minimum maturity of one year and a maximum maturity of forty years. The maximum aggregate nominal amount of all Notes from time to time outstanding will not exceed Euro 3,000,000,000 (or its equivalent in other currencies calculated as described herein).

The Notes will be issued on a continuing basis to one or more of the Dealers specified herein and any additional Dealer appointed under the Programme from time to time, which appointment may be for a specific issue or on an ongoing basis (each a "**Dealer**" and together the "**Dealers**"). The Dealer or Dealers with whom the Issuer agrees or proposes to agree on the issue of any Notes is or are referred to as the "**relevant Dealer**" in respect of those Notes.

An investment in Notes issued under the Programme involves certain risks. For a discussion of these risks see "Risk Factors".

No Notes may be issued under the Programme which have a minimum denomination of less than Euro 50,000 (or equivalent in another currency).

The Notes of each Tranche (as defined herein) will (unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms) initially be represented by a global Note which will be deposited on or about the issue date thereof with a common depository on behalf of Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. ("**Euroclear**") and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("**Clearstream, Luxembourg**") and/or any other agreed clearance system. See "Form of the Notes" herein.

Application has been made to Euronext Amsterdam N.V. for Notes issued under the Programme up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus to be admitted to trading on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext ("**Euronext Amsterdam**").

References in this Programme to Notes being "listed" (and all related references) shall mean that such Notes have been admitted to trading and listing on Euronext Amsterdam. Euronext Amsterdam is a regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2004/39/EC (the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive).

Notice of the aggregate nominal amount of Notes, interest (if any) payable in respect of Notes, the issue price of Notes and any other terms and conditions not contained herein which are applicable to each Tranche (as defined under "**Terms and Conditions of the Notes**") of Notes will be set out in a final terms document (the "**Final Terms**") which will be delivered to Euronext Amsterdam on or before the date of issue of the Notes of such Tranche.

The Programme provides that Notes may be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on such other or further exchanges or markets as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Guarantor and the relevant Dealer. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Notes and/or Notes not admitted to trading on any exchange or quotation system or market.

Application has been made to the Authority for the Financial Markets (the "**AFM**"), which is the competent authority in the Netherlands for the purpose of Directive 2003/71/EC (the "**Prospectus Directive**") for its approval of this Base Prospectus.

The Issuer may agree with any Dealer that Notes may be issued in a form not contemplated by the Terms and Conditions of the Notes herein, in which case a supplement to this Base Prospectus, if appropriate, will be made available which will describe the effect of the agreement reached in relation to such Notes.

Arranger

The Royal Bank of Scotland

Dealers

Barclays Capital

Deutsche Bank

Morgan Stanley

Citi

ING Wholesale Banking

Rabobank International

The Royal Bank of Scotland

IMPORTANT NOTICE

This Base Prospectus constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive.

This Base Prospectus is to be read in conjunction with all documents which are deemed to be incorporated herein by reference (see "*Documents Incorporated by Reference*"). This Base Prospectus shall be read and construed on the basis that such documents are incorporated and form part of this Base Prospectus.

No person is or has been authorised by the Issuer or the Guarantor to give any information or to make any representation not contained in or not consistent with this Base Prospectus or any other document entered into in relation to the Programme or any other information supplied by the Issuer or the Guarantor or such other information as is in the public domain and, if given or made, such information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Arranger or any of the Dealers.

Neither the Arranger nor the Dealers have independently verified the information contained herein. Accordingly, no representation, warranty or undertaking, express or implied, is made and no responsibility or liability is accepted by the Arranger or the Dealers as to the accuracy or completeness of the information contained or incorporated in this Base Prospectus or any other information provided by the Issuer or the Guarantor in connection with the Programme. Neither the Arranger nor any Dealer accepts any liability in relation to the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Base Prospectus or any other information provided by the Issuer or the Guarantor in connection with the Programme.

Neither this Base Prospectus nor any Final Terms nor any other information supplied in connection with the Programme should be considered as a recommendation by the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Arranger or any of the Dealers that any recipient of this Base Prospectus or any other information supplied in connection with the Programme should purchase any Notes. Each investor contemplating purchasing any Notes should make its own independent investigation of the financial condition and affairs, and its own appraisal of the creditworthiness, of the Issuer and the Guarantor. Neither this Base Prospectus nor any other information supplied in connection with the Programme constitutes an offer or invitation by or on behalf of the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Arranger or any of the Dealers to any person to subscribe for or to purchase any Notes.

The delivery of this Base Prospectus and any Final Terms or the offering, sale or delivery of any Note does not at any time imply that the information contained herein concerning the Issuer and the Guarantor 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 or that there has been no adverse change, in the condition (financial or otherwise) of the Issuer or the Guarantor since the date thereof or, if later, the date upon which this Base Prospectus has been most recently amended or supplemented or that any other information supplied in connection with the Programme is correct at any time subsequent to the date on which it is supplied or, if different, the date indicated in the document containing the same. The Arranger and the Dealers expressly do not undertake to review the financial condition or affairs of the Issuer or the Guarantor during the life of the Programme. Investors should review, *inter alia*, the most recent financial statements of the Issuer and the Guarantor and any supplement to this Base Prospectus when deciding whether or not to purchase any Notes.

This Base Prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any Notes in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make the offer or solicitation in such jurisdiction. The distribution of this Base Prospectus and the offer or sale of Notes may be restricted by law in certain jurisdictions. The Issuer, the Guarantor, the Arranger and the Dealers do not represent that this Base Prospectus may be lawfully distributed, or that any Notes may be lawfully offered, in compliance with any applicable registration or other requirements in any such jurisdiction, or pursuant to an exemption available thereunder, or assume any responsibility for facilitating any such distribution or offering. In particular, no action has been taken by the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Arranger or the Dealers which is intended to permit a public offering of any Notes or distribution of this Base Prospectus in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. Accordingly, no Notes may be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, and neither this Base Prospectus nor any advertisement or other offering material may be distributed or published in any jurisdiction, except under circumstances that will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations. Persons into whose possession this Base Prospectus or any Notes may come must inform themselves about, and observe, any such restrictions on the distribution of this Base Prospectus and the offering and sale of Notes. In particular, there are restrictions on the distribution of this Base Prospectus and the offer or sale of Notes in the United States, the European Economic Area (including the United Kingdom and the Netherlands) and Japan, see "*Subscription and Sale*".

The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), and certain of the Notes are subject to U.S. tax law requirements. Subject to certain exceptions, Notes may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or to U.S. persons (see “*Subscription and Sale*” herein).

The maximum aggregate principal amount of Notes outstanding and guaranteed at any one time under the Programme will not exceed Euro 3,000,000,000 (and for this purpose, any Notes denominated in another currency shall be translated into euro at the date of the agreement to issue such Notes (calculated as described herein)). The maximum aggregate principal amount of Notes which may be outstanding at any one time under the Programme may be increased from time to time, subject to compliance with the relevant provisions of the Dealer Agreement (as defined under “Subscription and Sale”).

All references in this document to “U.S. dollars”, “U.S.\$” and “USD” refer to United States dollars and references to “euro”, “EUR”, “€” and “Euro” refer 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.

In connection with the issue of any Tranche of Notes, the Dealer or Dealers (if any) named as the Stabilising Manager(s) (or persons acting on behalf of any Stabilising Manager(s)) in the applicable Final Terms may over-allot Notes or effect transactions with a view to supporting the market price of the Notes at a level higher than that which might otherwise prevail. However, there is no assurance that the Stabilising Manager(s) (or persons acting on behalf of a Stabilising Manager(s)) will undertake stabilisation action. Any stabilisation action may begin on or after the date on which adequate public disclosure of the terms of the offer of the relevant Tranche of Notes is made and, if begun, may be ended at any time, but it must end no later than the earlier of 30 days after the issue date of the relevant Tranche of Notes and 60 days after the date of the allotment of the relevant Tranche of Notes. Any stabilisation action or over-allotment shall be conducted in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAMME

The following general description does not purport to be complete and is taken from, and is qualified by, the remainder of this Base Prospectus and, in relation to the terms and conditions of any particular Tranche of Notes, the applicable Final Terms. Words and expressions defined in "Form of the Notes" and "Terms and Conditions of the Notes" herein, respectively, shall have the same meanings in this general description.

Issuer:	Alliander Finance B.V.
Guarantor:	n.v. Nuon
Description:	Euro Medium Term Note Programme
Arranger:	The Royal Bank of Scotland plc
Dealers:	Barclays Bank PLC Citigroup Global Markets Limited Coöperatieve Centrale Raiffeisen-Boerenleenbank B.A. (Rabobank International) Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch ING Bank N.V. Morgan Stanley & Co. International plc The Royal Bank of Scotland plc
Regulatory Matters:	Each issue of Notes denominated in a currency in respect of which particular laws, guidelines, regulations, restrictions or reporting requirements apply will only be issued in circumstances which comply with such laws, guidelines, regulations, restrictions or reporting requirements from time to time. See "Subscription and Sale" herein and the following summary of certain restrictions applicable at the date of this Base Prospectus.
Agent:	Citibank, N.A.
Paying Agent:	ABN AMRO Bank N.V.
Amsterdam Listing Agent:	ABN AMRO Bank N.V.
Size:	Up to Euro 3,000,000,000 (or its equivalent in other currencies calculated as described herein) outstanding and guaranteed at any time. The Issuer may increase the amount of the Programme in accordance with the terms of the Dealer Agreement.
Distribution:	Notes may be distributed by way of private or public placement and in each case on a syndicated or non-syndicated basis.
Currencies:	Subject to any applicable legal or regulatory restrictions, such currencies as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer, including, without limitation, Australian dollars, Canadian dollars, Danish kroner, euro, Hong Kong dollars, New Zealand dollars, Swedish kroner, Swiss francs, United States dollars, sterling and Japanese yen.
Maturities:	No Notes may be issued under the Programme which have a maturity date of less than one year or which have a maturity date of more than forty years. Subject thereto, Notes may be issued with any maturity, subject to applicable laws, regulations and restrictions.
Issue Price:	Notes may be issued on a fully-paid or a partly-paid basis and at an issue price which is at par or at a discount to, or premium

over, par.

Form of Notes:

Notes may only be issued in bearer form. Each Tranche of Notes will initially be in the form of either a temporary Global Note or a Permanent Global Note, in each case as specified in the relevant Final Terms. Each Global Note which is not intended to be issued in new global note form (a "**Classic Global Note**" or "**CGN**"), as specified in the relevant Final Terms, will be deposited on or around the relevant Issue Date with a depositary or a common depositary for Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or any other relevant clearing system and each Global Note which is intended to be issued in new global note form (a "**New Global Note**" or "**NGN**"), as specified in the relevant Final Terms, will be deposited on or around the relevant issue date with a common safekeeper for Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg. The Temporary Global Note will be exchangeable as described therein for either a Permanent Global Note or definitive Notes upon certain conditions including, upon certification of non-U.S. beneficial ownership as required by U.S. Treasury regulations. The applicable Final Terms will specify that a Permanent Global Note is exchangeable for definitive Notes either (i) upon not less than 60 days' notice or (ii) upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event, as described in "Form of the Notes" herein. Any interest in a global Note will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or any other agreed clearance system, as appropriate.

Interest:

Notes may be interest-bearing or non-interest bearing. Interest (if any) may accrue at a fixed rate or a floating rate or other variable rate or be index-linked and the method of calculating interest may vary between the issue date and the maturity date of the relevant Series.

Redemption:

The applicable Final Terms will indicate either that the Notes cannot be redeemed prior to their stated maturity (other than in specified instalments (see below), if applicable, or for taxation reasons or following an Event of Default) or that such Notes will be redeemable at the option of the Issuer and/or the Noteholders upon giving not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' irrevocable notice (or such other notice period (if any) as is indicated in the applicable Final Terms) to the Noteholders or the Issuer, as the case may be, on a date or dates specified prior to such stated maturity and at a price or prices and on such terms as are indicated in the applicable Final Terms.

The applicable Final Terms may provide that Notes may be repayable in two or more instalments of such amounts and on such dates as indicated in it.

Denomination of Notes:

No Notes may be issued under the Programme which have a minimum denomination of less than Euro 50,000 (or equivalent in another currency). Subject thereto, Notes will be issued in such denominations as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms, subject to compliance with all applicable legal and/or regulatory and/or central bank requirements.

Taxation:

Payments in respect of the Notes will be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of taxes levied in the Netherlands, subject to certain exceptions as provided in Condition 8.

Negative Pledge:

See Condition 3.

Cross Default:	See Condition 10(iii).
Status of the Notes:	The Notes will constitute direct, unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and will rank <i>pari passu</i> without any preference among themselves and, subject as provided in Condition 3, with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law.
Status of the Guarantee and 403 Declaration:	<p>The Guarantor has in an amended and restated guarantee dated 27 March 2009 (the "Guarantee") unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed the due and punctual payment of all sums from time to time payable by the Issuer in respect of the Notes. The obligations of the Guarantor under the Guarantee will constitute direct, unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Guarantor and rank <i>pari passu</i> without any preference among themselves and, subject as provided in Condition 3, with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Guarantor save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law.</p> <p>The Guarantee is given in favour of each Noteholder, Couponholder and Receiptholder.</p> <p>In addition, the Notes issued by the Issuer will be unconditionally guaranteed by the Guarantor pursuant to Article 2:403 of the Dutch Civil Code (the "403 Declaration") (the text of which is set out under "The Guarantee" below). The obligations of the Guarantor under the 403 Declaration will be direct, unconditional and will rank <i>pari passu</i> with all other outstanding unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Guarantor, present and future, but, in the event of insolvency, only to the extent permitted by applicable laws relating to creditors' rights. See "The 403 Declaration" herein.</p>
Listing and admission to trading:	Application has been made to Euronext Amsterdam N.V. for Notes issued under this Base Prospectus to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam. The Notes may also be admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation by such other listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer in relation to each issue. Unlisted Notes may also be issued. The Final Terms relating to each issue will state whether or not the Notes are to be admitted to listing, trading and/ or quotation and, if so, by which listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system.
Governing Law:	The Notes will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Netherlands.
Selling Restrictions:	There are selling restrictions in relation to the laws of the Netherlands, Japan, the United Kingdom and the United States, and such other restrictions as may be required in connection with the offering and sale of a particular Tranche of Notes. See "Subscription and Sale" herein.
Risk Factors:	Investing in Notes issued under the Programme involves certain risks. The risk factors that may affect the abilities of the Issuer and the Guarantor to fulfil their respective obligations under the Notes are discussed under "Risk factors" below.

RISK FACTORS

Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor believes that the following factors may affect its ability to fulfil its obligations under Notes issued under the Programme. These factors are contingencies which may or may not occur and neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor is in a position to express a statement on the likelihood of any such contingency occurring. Factors (although not exhaustive) which could be material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Notes issued under the Programme by the Issuer and guaranteed by the Guarantor are described below.

Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor believes that the factors described below represent the risks inherent in investing in Notes issued under the Programme, but the inability of the Issuer to pay interest, principal or other amounts on or in connection with any Notes may occur for other reasons and the Guarantor does not represent that the statements below regarding the risks of holding any Notes are exhaustive. The risks described below are not the only ones the Issuer and the Guarantor face. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to the Issuer and the Guarantor or that the Issuer and the Guarantor currently believe to be immaterial could also have a material impact on the business operations of the Issuer and/or the Guarantor. Prospective investors should also read the detailed information set out elsewhere in this Base Prospectus and reach their own views prior to making any investment decision.

Factors that may affect Nuon's ability to fulfil its obligations under the Guarantee in respect of the Notes

Nuon's results of operations, financial condition and cash flows depend to a large extent, upon prevailing market prices for electricity and fuels. Market prices may fluctuate substantially over relatively short periods of time, potentially adversely affecting Nuon's results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. Changes in market prices for electricity and fuels may result from the following factors among others:

- weather conditions;
- seasonality;
- demand for energy commodities and general economic conditions;
- forced or unscheduled plant outages;
- disruption of electricity or gas transmission or transportation, infrastructure or other constraints or inefficiencies;
- addition of generation capacity;
- natural gas, crude oil and refined products and coal production levels;
- availability and levels of storage and inventory for fuel stocks;
- the financial position of market participants;
- changes in market liquidity;
- natural disasters, wars, embargoes, acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events;
- mandatory use of the "x-factor"¹, fixed by the Dutch Office for Energy Regulation (*Energiekamer* or "DTe")², as a percentage by which the maximum allowable turnover for gas and electricity distribution must change); and
- governmental regulation and legislation.

¹ The x-factor is the compulsory reduction in permitted turnover for the in the Netherlands regulated market of gas and power transportation imposed by the Dte. The reduction is compulsory in order to enforce the regulated energy transportation market in the Netherlands to function more efficiently.

² The DTe is the supervisory authority for the energy market in the Netherlands. The DTe is part of the Ministry of Economic Affairs.

Risks related to Cross Border Lease Agreements

In the period from 1995 to 2000 Nuon subsidiaries entered for its network and power generation plants into US cross border leases (CBLs), amongst which were lease in lease out transactions and lease and lease back transactions. There are 3 CBLs on generation assets and 6 CBLs on network assets. In the context of the Independent Network Operation Act (WON) and the preparations for the unbundling of the Nuon group, N.V. Nuon Infra Oost has subleased 2 heat networks to n.v. Nuon Warmte, being part of the Production and Supply company. This concerns 2 trusts which are part of a larger CBL of 8 trusts, which remains on the Network group side. As long as these leases are not terminated early (for example as a result of an event of default or an event of loss), none of the parties to these leases will in principle have any payment obligations which are not fully defeased by the deposits or other defeasance arrangements. During 2008 some transactions were terminated, including the cross border leases closed in 1998 regarding the gas grid of the formerly EWR.

At the end of 2008 the strip risk (the portion of the termination value, being the possible compensation payable by Nuon to the American counterparty in the event of premature termination of the transaction, which cannot be settled from the deposits and investments held for this purpose) for all transactions together USD 650 million, of which USD 603 million relates to the network leases and USD 47 million to the production leases. The maximum equity strip risk for all transactions together totalled USD 425 million, of which USD 378 million relates to the network leases and USD 47 million to the production facility leases. For a number of transactions regarding the network leases, security in the form of letters of credit was issued for the benefit of the investors concerned, amounting to USD 349 million (2007: USD 546million) to cover the equity strip risk. With concern to the production facility leases, no letters of credits were outstanding at the end of 2008 (2007: USD 72 million). The number and amount of the letters of credit issued for the network and production facility leases depend in part on the respective credit ratings of Nuon and its subsidiary Nuon Power Generation B.V. In the context of some credit facilities, a right of pledge in favour of the banks concerned has been established on the cash deposits held at those banks, to a total amount of USD 79 million as at year-end 2008 (2007: USD 149 million).

Risks related to the market generally

Set out below is a brief description of the principal market risks, including liquidity risk, exchange rate risk, interest rate risk and credit risk:

The secondary market generally

Notes may have no established trading market when issued, and one may never develop. If a market does develop, it may not be very liquid. Therefore, investors may not be able to sell their Notes easily or at prices that will provide them with a yield comparable to similar investments that have a developed secondary market. This is particularly the case for Notes that are especially sensitive to interest rate, currency or market risks, are designed for specific investment objectives or strategies or have been structured to meet the investment requirements of limited categories of investors. These types of Notes would generally have a more limited secondary market and more price volatility than conventional debt securities. Illiquidity may have a severely adverse effect on the market value of Notes.

Exchange rate risks and exchange controls

The Issuer will pay principal and interest on the Notes and the Guarantor will make any payments under the Guarantee in the Specified Currency. This presents certain risks relating to currency conversions if an investor's financial activities are denominated principally in a currency or currency unit (the Investor's Currency) other than the Specified Currency. These include the risk that exchange rates may significantly change (including changes due to devaluation of the Specified Currency or revaluation of the Investor's Currency) and the risk that authorities with jurisdiction over the Investor's Currency may impose or modify exchange controls. An appreciation in the value of the Investor's Currency relative to the Specified Currency would decrease (1) the Investor's Currency-equivalent yield on the Notes, (2) the Investor's Currency-equivalent value of the principal payable on the Notes and (3) the Investor's Currency-equivalent market value of the Notes.

Government and monetary authorities may impose (as some have done in the past) exchange controls that could adversely affect an applicable exchange rate. As a result, investors may receive less interest or principal than expected, or no interest or principal.

Interest rate risks

Investment in Fixed Rate Notes involves the risk that subsequent changes in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Fixed Rate Notes.

Credit ratings may not reflect all risks

One or more independent credit rating agencies may assign credit ratings to the Notes. The ratings may not reflect the potential impact of all risks related to structure, market, additional factors discussed above, and other factors that may affect the value of the Notes. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be revised or withdrawn by the rating agency at any time.

Factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Notes issued under the Programme

Each potential investor in the Notes must determine the suitability of that investment in light of its own circumstances. In particular, each potential investor should:

- (i) have sufficient knowledge and experience to make a meaningful evaluation of the Notes, the merits and risks of investing in the Notes and the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Base Prospectus or any applicable supplement;
- (ii) have access to, and knowledge of, appropriate analytical tools to evaluate, in the context of its particular financial situation, an investment in the Notes and the impact the Notes will have on its overall investment portfolio;
- (iii) have sufficient financial resources and liquidity to bear all of the risks of an investment in the Notes, including Notes with principal or interest payable in one or more currencies, or where the currency for principal or interest payments is different from the potential investor's currency;
- (iv) understand thoroughly the terms of the Notes and be familiar with the behaviour of any relevant indices and financial markets; and
- (v) be able to evaluate (either alone or with the help of a financial adviser) possible scenarios for economic, interest rate and other factors that may affect its investment and its ability to bear the applicable risks.

Some Notes are complex financial instruments. Sophisticated institutional investors generally do not purchase complex financial instruments as stand-alone investments. They purchase complex financial instruments as a way to reduce risk or enhance yield with an understood, measured and appropriate addition of risk to their overall portfolios. A potential investor should not invest in Notes which are complex financial instruments unless it has the expertise (either alone or with a financial adviser) to evaluate how the Notes will perform under changing conditions, the resulting effects on the value of the Notes and the impact this investment will have on the potential investor's overall investment portfolio.

Risks related to the structure of a particular issue of Notes

A wide range of Notes may be issued under the Programme. A number of these Notes may have features which contain particular risks for potential investors. Set out below is a description of the most common of such features:

Notes subject to optional redemption by the Issuer

An optional redemption feature of Notes is likely to limit their market value. During any period when the Issuer may elect to redeem Notes, the market value of those Notes generally will not rise substantially above the price at which they can be redeemed. This also may be true prior to any redemption period.

The Issuer may be expected to redeem Notes when its cost of borrowing is lower than the interest rate on the Notes. At those times, an investor generally would not be able to reinvest the redemption proceeds at an effective interest rate as high as the interest rate on the Notes being redeemed and may only be able to do so at a significantly lower rate. Potential investors should consider reinvestment risk in light of other investments available at that time.

Dual Currency Notes

The Issuer may issue Notes with principal or interest payable in one or more currencies which may be different from the currency in which the Notes are denominated. Potential investors should be aware that: (i) the market price of such Notes may be volatile; (ii) they may receive no interest; (iii) payment of principal or interest may occur at a different time or in a different currency than expected; (iv) they may lose all or a substantial portion of their principal.

Partly-paid Notes

The Issuer may issue Notes where the issue price is payable in more than one instalment. Failure to pay any subsequent instalment could result in an investor losing all of his investment.

Variable Rate Notes

An investment in a Variable Rate Note may entail significant risks not associated with investments in a conventional debt security. The amount paid by the Issuer on redemption of the Notes may be less than the principal amount of the notes, together with any accrued interest, and may in certain circumstances be zero. where the Notes are redeemed by the Issuer by delivery of Reference Item(s) the value of the Reference Item(s) may be less than the principal amount of the notes, together with any accrued interest, and may in certain circumstances be zero.

The value of any Reference Item may depend on a number of interrelated factors, including economic, financial and political events in one or more jurisdictions, including factors affecting capital markets generally and the stock exchange(s) on which any Reference Item may be traded. The price at which a Noteholder will be able to sell Notes prior to their maturity may be at a discount, which could be substantial, to the market value of the Notes on the issue date, if, at such time the market price of the Reference Item(s) is below, equal to or sufficiently above the market price of the Reference Item(s) on the issue date. The historical market prices of any Reference Item should not be taken as an indication of such Reference Item's future performance during the term of the Notes.

Additional risk factors in relation to issues of Variable Rate Notes may be included in the applicable Final Terms.

Inverse Floating Rate Notes

Inverse Floating Rate Notes have an interest rate equal to a fixed rate minus a rate based upon a reference rate such as LIBOR. The market values of those Notes typically are more volatile than market values of other conventional floating rate debt securities based on the same reference rate (and with otherwise comparable terms). Inverse Floating Rate Notes are more volatile because an increase in the reference rate not only decreases the interest rate of the Notes, but may also reflect an increase in prevailing interest rates, which further adversely affects the market value of these Notes.

Fixed/Floating Rate Notes

Fixed/Floating Rate Notes may bear interest at a rate that converts from a fixed rate to a floating rate, or from a floating rate to a fixed rate. Where the Issuer has the right to effect such a conversion, this will affect the secondary market and the market value of the Notes since the Issuer may be expected to convert the rate when it is likely to produce a lower overall cost of borrowing. If the Issuer converts from a fixed rate to a floating rate in such circumstances, the spread on the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes may be less favourable than then prevailing spreads on comparable Floating Rate Notes tied to the same reference rate. In addition, the new floating rate at any time may be lower than the rates on other Notes. If the Issuer converts from a floating rate to a fixed rate in such circumstances, the fixed rate may be lower than then prevailing rates on its Notes.

Notes issued at a substantial discount or premium

The market values of securities issued at a substantial discount or premium from their principal amount tend to fluctuate more in relation to general changes in interest rates than do prices for conventional interest-bearing securities. Generally, the longer the remaining term of the securities, the greater the price volatility as compared to conventional interest-bearing securities with comparable maturities.

Risks related to Notes generally

In relation to any issue of Notes that have a denomination consisting of the minimum Specified Denomination plus a higher integral multiple of another smaller amount, it is possible that the Notes may be traded in amounts in excess of Euro 50,000 (or its equivalent) that are not integral multiples of Euro 50,000 (or its equivalent). In such a case a Noteholder who, as a result of trading such amounts, holds a principal amount of less than the minimum Specified Denomination may not receive a definitive Note in respect of

such holding (should definitive Notes be printed) and would need to purchase a principal amount of Notes such that its holding amounts to a Specified Denomination.

Set out below is a brief description of certain risks relating to the Notes generally:

Modification, waivers and substitution

The conditions of the Notes contain provisions for calling meetings of Noteholders to consider matters affecting their interests generally. These provisions permit defined majorities to bind all Noteholders including Noteholders who did not attend and vote at the relevant meeting and Noteholders who voted in a manner contrary to the majority.

EU Savings Directive

If, following implementation of this Directive, a payment were to be made or collected through a Member State which has opted for a withholding system and an amount of, or in respect of tax were to be withheld from that payment, neither the Issuer nor any Paying Agent nor any other person would be obliged to pay additional amounts with respect to any Note as a result of the imposition of such withholding tax. The Issuer is required to maintain a Paying Agent in a Member State that is not obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to the Directive.

Change of law

The conditions of the Notes are based on the laws of the Netherlands in effect as at the date of this Base Prospectus. No assurance can be given as to the impact of any possible judicial decision or change to Netherlands law or administrative practice after the date of this Base Prospectus.

Notes where denominations involve integral multiples: definitive Notes

In relation to any issue of Notes which have denominations consisting of a minimum Specified Denomination plus one or more higher integral multiples of another smaller amount, it is possible that such Notes may be traded in amounts that are not integral multiples of such minimum Specified Denomination. In such a case a holder who, as a result of trading such amounts, holds an amount which is less than the minimum Specified Denomination in his account with the relevant clearing system at the relevant time may not receive a definitive Note in respect of such holding (should definitive Notes be printed) and would need to purchase a principal amount of Notes such that its holding amounts to a Specified Denomination.

If definitive Notes are issued, holders should be aware that definitive Notes which have a denomination that is not an integral multiple of the minimum Specified Denomination may be illiquid and difficult to trade.

Legal investment considerations may restrict certain investments

The investment activities of certain investors are subject to legal investment laws and regulations, or review or regulation by certain authorities. Each potential investor should consult its legal advisers to determine whether and to what extent (1) Notes are legal investments for it, (2) Notes can be used as collateral for various types of borrowing and (3) other restrictions apply to its purchase or pledge of any Notes. Financial institutions should consult their legal advisors or the appropriate regulators to determine the appropriate treatment of Notes under any applicable risk-based capital or similar rules.

INFORMATION INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The following documents which have previously been published and have been filed with the AFM shall be incorporated in, and to form part of, this Base Prospectus:

- (a) the most recent Articles of Association (*statuten*) of the Issuer and of the Guarantor;
- (b) the audited financial statements (including the auditors' report thereon and notes thereto) of the Issuer in respect of the year ended 31 December 2008 and the 2008 annual report of the Issuer;
- (c) the audited financial statements (including the auditors' report thereon and notes thereto) of the Issuer in respect of the year ended 31 December 2007 and the 2007 annual report of the Issuer;
- (d) the audited financial statements (including the auditors' report thereon and notes thereto) of the Guarantor in respect of the year ended 31 December 2007 (set out on pages 73 to 149 of the 2007 annual report of the Guarantor);
- (e) the Dutch language consolidated audited financial statements (including the auditors' report thereon and notes thereto) of the Guarantor in respect of the year ended 31 December 2008;
- (f) the Dutch language audited financial statements (including the auditors' report thereon and notes thereto) of the Guarantor in respect of the year ended 31 December 2008; and
- (g) the Guarantee between the Issuer and the Guarantor dated 27 March 2009.

Following the publication of this Base Prospectus a supplement may be prepared by the Issuer and approved by the AFM in accordance with Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive. Statements contained in any such supplement (or contained in any document incorporated by reference therein) shall, to the extent applicable (whether expressly, by implication or otherwise), be deemed to modify or supersede statements contained in this Base Prospectus or in a document which is incorporated by reference in this Base Prospectus. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not, except as so modified or superseded, constitute a part of this Base Prospectus.

The Issuer, the Guarantor, the Arranger and the Paying Agents (at their specified offices) will provide, without charge, to each person to whom a copy of this Base Prospectus has been delivered, upon the written or oral request of such person, a copy of any or all of the information which is incorporated herein by reference. Written or oral requests for such information should be directed to the specified office of any Paying Agent set out at the end of this Base Prospectus.

The Issuer and the Guarantor will, in the event of any significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to information included in this Base Prospectus which is capable of affecting the assessment of any Notes, prepare a supplement to this Base Prospectus or publish a new Base Prospectus for use in connection with any subsequent issue of Notes.

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The Issuer and the Guarantor accept responsibility for the information contained in this Base Prospectus. To the best of the knowledge of the Issuer and the Guarantor (each having taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this Base Prospectus is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

FORM OF THE NOTES

Each Tranche of Notes will (unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Final Terms) be initially represented by a temporary global Note (a “**Temporary Global Note**”) or, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, a permanent global Note (a “**Permanent Global Note**”) which, in either case, will:

- (i) if the Global Notes are intended to be issued in new global note (**NGN**) form, as stated in the applicable Final Terms, be delivered on or prior to the original issue date of the Tranche to a common safekeeper (the **Common Safekeeper**) for Euroclear and Clearstream Luxembourg; and
 - (ii) if the Global Notes are not intended to be issued in NGN Form, be delivered on or prior to the original issue date of the Tranche to a common depository (the **Common Depository**) for, Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg.
- Whilst any Note is represented by a Temporary Global Note, payments of principal and interest (if any) due prior to the Exchange Date (as defined below) will be made against presentation of the Temporary Global Note if the Temporary Global Note is not intended to be issued in NGN form only to the extent that certification (in a form to be provided) to the effect that the beneficial owners of such Note are not U.S. persons or persons who have purchased for resale to any U.S. person, as required by U.S. Treasury regulations, has been received by the relevant clearing system(s) and the relevant clearing system(s) have given a like certification (based on the certifications they have received) to the Agent. Any reference in this section to the relevant clearing system(s) shall mean the clearance and/or settlement system(s) specified in the applicable Final Terms.

On and after the date (the “**Exchange Date**”) which is not less than 40 days nor more than 90 days after the date on which the Temporary Global Note is issued, interests in the Temporary Global Note will be exchangeable (free of charge), upon request as described therein, either for (a) interests in a Permanent Global Note of the same series or (b) for definitive Notes of the same series with, where applicable, receipts, interest coupons and talons attached (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms and subject, in the case of definitive Notes, to such notice period as is specified in the applicable Final Terms), in each case against certification of beneficial ownership as described above unless such certification has already been given. The holder of a Temporary Global Note will not be entitled to collect any payment of interest or principal due on or after the Exchange Date unless, upon due certification, exchange of the Temporary Global Note for an interest in a Permanent Global Note or for definitive Notes is improperly withheld or refused. Pursuant to the Agency Agreement (as defined under “Terms and Conditions of the Notes” herein) the Agent shall arrange that, where a Temporary Global Note representing a further Tranche of Notes is issued, the Notes of such Tranche shall be assigned an ISIN and a common code by Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg which are different from the ISIN and common code assigned to Notes of any other Tranche of the same Series.

Definitive Notes will be in the standard euromarket form with Coupons or Talons for further Coupons attached. Definitive Notes and global Notes will be to bearer.

Payments of principal and interest (if any) on a Permanent Global Note will be made through the relevant clearing system(s) against presentation or surrender (as the case may be) of the Permanent Global Note if the Permanent Global Note is not intended to be issued in NGN form without any requirement for certification. The applicable Final Terms will specify that a Permanent Global Note will be exchangeable (free of charge), in whole but not in part for security printed definitive Notes with, where applicable, receipts, interest coupons or coupon sheets and talons attached. Such exchange may be made, as specified in the applicable Final Terms either: (i) upon not less than 60 days’ written notice being given to the Agent by Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or another relevant Clearing System (acting on the instructions of any of its participants) as described therein or (ii) only upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event.

An “**Exchange Event**” means (1) an Event of Default (as defined in Condition 10) has occurred and is continuing, (2) the Issuer has been notified that both Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg has been closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or has announced an intention permanently to cease business or have in fact done so and no alternative clearing system is available or (3) the Issuer has or will become obliged to pay additional amounts as provided for or referred to in Condition 8 which would not be required were the Notes represented by the global Note in definitive form. The Issuer will promptly give notice to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14 upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event.

In the event of the occurrence of any Exchange Event, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in the global Note may give notice to the Agent requesting exchange and in the event of the occurrence of an Exchange Event as described in (3) above, the Issuer may also give notice to the Agent requesting exchange. Any such exchange shall occur no later than 45 days after the date on which the relevant notice is received by the Agent. Global Notes and definitive Notes will be issued pursuant to the Agency Agreement. As at the date hereof, neither Euroclear nor Clearstream, Luxembourg regard Notes in global form as fungible with Notes in definitive form.

The following legend will appear on all global Notes, definitive Notes, receipts and interest coupons (including talons):

“Any United States person who holds this obligation will be subject to limitations under the United States income tax laws, including the limitations provided in sections 165(j) and 1287(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.”

The sections referred to provide that United States holders, with certain exceptions, will not be entitled to deduct any loss on Notes, receipts or interest coupons and will not be entitled to capital gains treatment of any gain on any sale, disposition, redemption or payment of principal in respect of Notes, receipts or interest coupons.

Notes which are represented by a global Note will only be transferable in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as the case may be.

Pursuant to the Agency Agreement the Agent shall arrange that, where a further Tranche of Notes is issued which is intended to form a single series with an existing Tranche of Notes, the Notes of such further Tranche shall be assigned a common code and ISIN which are different from the common code and ISIN assigned to Notes of any other Tranche of the same Series until at least the expiry of the Distribution Compliance Period applicable to the Notes of such Tranche.

Any reference herein to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system specified in the applicable Final Terms.

A Note may be accelerated by the holder thereof in certain circumstances described in Condition 10 of the Notes. In such circumstances, where any Note is still represented by a global Note and a holder of such Note so represented and credited to his account with the relevant clearing system(s) gives notice that it wishes to accelerate such Note, unless within a period of 15 days from the giving of such notice payment has been made in full of the amount due in accordance with the terms of such global Note, holders of interests in such global Note credited to their accounts with the relevant clearing system(s) will become entitled to proceed directly against the Issuer on the basis of statements of account provided by the relevant clearing system(s) and subject to the terms of the relevant global Note.

FORM OF FINAL TERMS

Set out below is the form of Final Terms which will be completed for each Tranche of Notes issued under the Programme.

[Date]

ALLIANDER FINANCE B.V.

Issue of [Aggregate Nominal Amount of Tranche] [Title of Notes]

Guaranteed by n.v. Nuon
under the Euro 3,000,000,000
Euro Medium Term Note 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 27 March 2009 which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive (Directive 2003/71/EC) (the **Prospectus Directive**). This document constitutes the Final Terms of the Notes described herein for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive and must be read in conjunction with the Base Prospectus. Full information on the Issuer and the offer of the Notes 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 Utrechtseweg 68, 6812 AH Arnhem, the Netherlands and www.alliander.com and copies may be obtained from Utrechtseweg 68, 6812 AH Arnhem, the Netherlands.

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

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the conditions as set out in Schedule [] to this document. 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 27 March 2009 which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive, save in respect of the Conditions which are replaced by the conditions as set out in Schedule [] to this document. Full information on 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 dated 27 March 2009, save for the Conditions, which are replaced by the conditions as set out in Schedule [] to this document. Copies of such documents are available for viewing at the registered office of the Issuer, currently at Spaklerweg 20, 1096 BA Amsterdam, the Netherlands and on www.alliander.com and copies may be obtained from Spaklerweg 20, 1096 BA Amsterdam, the Netherlands.]

[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.]

[When 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.]

1. (a) Issuer: Alliander Finance B.V.
- (b) Guarantor: n.v. Nuon

2. (a) Series Number: []

 (b) Tranche Number: []

(If fungible with an existing Series, details of that Series, including the date on which the Notes become fungible)
3. Specified Currency or Currencies: []
4. Aggregate Nominal Amount:

 (a) Series: []

 (b) Tranche: []
5. (a) Issue Price: [] per cent. of the Aggregate Nominal Amount [plus accrued interest from *[insert date]* (if applicable)]
6. (a) Specified Denominations: []

 []

(Note – where multiple denominations above €50,000 or equivalent are being used the following sample wording should be followed:

“€50,000 and integral multiples of €1,000 in excess thereof up to and including €99,000. No Notes in definitive form will be issued with a denomination above €99,000.”)

 (b) Calculation Amount *(If only one Specified Denomination, insert the Specified Denomination.*

If more than one Specified Denomination, insert the highest common factor. Note: There must be a common factor in the case of two or more Specified Denominations.)
7. (a) Issue Date: []

 (b) Interest Commencement Date: []
8. Maturity Date: *[Fixed rate - specify date/*

Floating rate - Interest Payment Date falling in or nearest to [specify month]]

9. Interest Basis: [[] per cent. Fixed Rate]
 [[LIBOR/EURIBOR] +/- [] per cent. Floating Rate]
 [Zero Coupon]
 [Variable Rate Interest]
 [Dual Currency Interest]
 [*specify other*]
 (further particulars specified below)
10. Redemption/Payment Basis: [Redemption at par]
 [Variable Redemption]
 [Dual Currency Redemption]
 [Partly Paid]
 [Instalment]
 [*specify other*]
- (N.B. If the Final Redemption Amount is other than 100 per cent. of the nominal value the Notes will be derivative securities for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive and the requirements of Annex XII to the Prospectus Directive Regulation will apply. In such event, the Issuer will prepare a supplement to the Base Prospectus simultaneously with the applicable Final Terms which sets out the relevant information in relation to such derivative securities.)*
11. Change of Interest Basis or Redemption/Payment Basis: [*Specify details of any provision for change of Notes into another Interest Basis or Redemption/Payment Basis*]
12. Put/Call Options: [Investor Put]
 [Issuer Call]
 [(further particulars specified below)]
13. (a) Status of the Notes: Senior
- (b) Status of the Guarantee: Senior
- (c) [Date [Board] approval for issuance of Notes and Guarantee obtained: [] [and [], respectively]]
(N.B. Only relevant where Board (or similar) authorisation is required for the particular tranche of Notes or related Guarantee)
14. Method of distribution: [Syndicated/Non-syndicated]

PROVISIONS RELATING TO INTEREST (IF ANY) PAYABLE

15. Fixed Rate Note Provisions [Applicable/Not Applicable]
(If not applicable, delete the remaining subparagraphs of this paragraph)

- (a) Rate(s) of Interest: [] per cent. per annum [payable [annually/semi-annually/quarterly] in arrear] (If payable other than annually, consider amending Condition 4)
- (b) Interest Payment Date(s): [] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date/[specify other] (N.B. This will need to be amended in the case of long or short coupons)
- (c) Fixed Coupon Amount(s): [] per Calculation Amount
(Applicable to Notes in definitive form)
- (d) Broken Amount(s): [] per Calculation Amount, payable on the Interest Payment Date falling [in/on] []
(Applicable to Notes in definitive form)
- (e) Day Count Fraction: [30/360 or Actual/Actual (ICMA) or [specify other]]
- (f) Determination Date(s): [] in each year
[Insert regular interest payment dates, ignoring issue date or maturity date in the case of a long or short first or last coupon
N.B. This will need to be amended in the case of regular interest payment dates which are not of equal duration
N.B. Only relevant where Day Count Fraction is Actual/Actual (ICMA)]
- (g) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest for Fixed Rate Notes: [None/Give details]
16. Floating Rate Note Provisions [Applicable/Not Applicable]
(If not applicable, delete the remaining subparagraphs of this paragraph)
- (a) Specified Period(s)/Specified Interest Payment Dates: []
- (b) Business Day Convention: [Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention/Modified Following Business Day Convention/ Preceding Business Day Convention/[specify other]]
- (c) Additional Business Centre(s): []
- (d) Manner in which the Rate of Interest and Interest Amount is to be determined: [Screen Rate Determination/ISDA Determination/specify other]

- (e) Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest Amount (if not the Agent): []
- (f) Screen Rate Determination:
- Reference Rate: [].
(Either LIBOR, EURIBOR or other, although additional information is required if other - including fallback provisions in the Agency Agreement)
 - Interest Determination Date(s): []
(Second London business day prior to the start of each Interest Period if LIBOR (other than Sterling or euro LIBOR), first day of each Interest Period if Sterling LIBOR and the second day on which the TARGET2 System is open prior to the start of each Interest Period if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR)
 - Relevant Screen Page: []
(In the case of EURIBOR, if not Reuters EURIBOR01 ensure it is a page which shows a composite rate or amend the fallback provisions appropriately)
- (g) ISDA Determination:
- Floating Rate Option: []
 - Designated Maturity: []
 - Reset Date: []
- (h) Margin(s): [+/-] [] per cent. per annum
- (i) Minimum Rate of Interest: [] per cent. per annum
- (j) Maximum Rate of Interest: [] per cent. per annum
- (k) Day Count Fraction: [Actual/Actual (ISDA)
Actual/365 (Fixed)
Actual/365 (Sterling)
Actual/360
30/360
30E/360
30E/360 (ISDA)
Other]
(See Condition 5 for alternatives)

- (l) Fallback provisions, rounding provisions and any other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Floating Rate Notes, if different from those set out in the Conditions: []
17. Zero Coupon Note Provisions [Applicable/Not Applicable]
(If not applicable, delete the remaining subparagraphs of this paragraph)
- (a) Accrual Yield: [] per cent. per annum
- (b) Reference Price: []
- (c) Any other formula/basis of determining amount payable: []
- (d) Day Count Fraction in relation to Early Redemption Amounts and late payment: [Conditions [Redemption and Purchase - Early Redemption Amounts] (c) and [- Late Payment on Zero Coupon Notes] apply/specify other]
(Consider applicable day count fraction if not U.S. dollar denominated)
18. Variable Rate Interest Note Provisions [Applicable/Not Applicable]
(If not applicable, delete the remaining subparagraphs of this paragraph)
- (a) Reference Item/Formula: [give or annex details]
- (b) Party responsible for calculating the interest due (if not the Agent): []
[give name (and, if the Notes are derivative securities to which Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation applies, address)]
- (c) Provisions for determining Coupon where calculation by reference to Index and/or Formula is impossible or impracticable: [need to include a description of market disruption or settlement disruption events and adjustment provisions]
- (d) Interest Payment Date(s): [[] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date]/[specify other]
(N.B. This will need to be amended in the case of long or short coupons)
- (e) Business Day Convention: [Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention/Modified Following Business Day Convention/ Preceding Business Day Convention/specify other]

- (f) Additional Business Centre(s): []
- (g) Minimum Rate of Interest: [] per cent. per annum
- (h) Maximum Rate of Interest: [] per cent. per annum
- (i) Day Count Fraction: []
- (j) Other terms or special conditions: []

19. Dual Currency Interest Note Provisions [Applicable/Not Applicable]
(If not applicable, delete the remaining subparagraphs of this paragraph)

- (a) Rate of Exchange/method of calculating Rate of Exchange: [give or annex details]
- (b) Party, if any, responsible for calculating the interest due (if not the Agent): []
- (c) Provisions applicable where calculation by reference to Rate of Exchange impossible or impracticable: *[need to include a description of market disruption or settlement disruption events and adjustment provisions]*
- (d) Person at whose option Specified Currency(ies) is/are payable: []

PROVISIONS RELATING TO REDEMPTION

20. Issuer Call: [Applicable/Not Applicable]
(If not applicable, delete the remaining subparagraphs of this paragraph)

- (a) Optional Redemption Date(s): []
- (b) Optional Redemption Amount and method, if any, of calculation of such amount(s): [[] per Calculation Amount/specify other/see Appendix]
- (c) If redeemable in part:
 - (i) Minimum Redemption Amount: []
 - (ii) Maximum Redemption Amount: []

(d) Notice period (if other than as set out in the Conditions): []
(N.B. If setting notice periods which are different to those provided in the Conditions, the Issuer is advised to consider the practicalities of distribution of information through intermediaries, for example, clearing systems and custodians, as well as any other notice requirements which may apply, for example, as between the Issuer and the Agent)

21. Investor Put: [Applicable/Not Applicable]
(If not applicable, delete the remaining subparagraphs of this paragraph)

(a) Optional Redemption Date(s): []

(b) Optional Redemption Amount and method, if any, of calculation of such amount(s): [[] per Calculation Amount/specify other/see Appendix]

(c) Notice period (if other than as set out in the Conditions): []
(N.B. If setting notice periods which are different to those provided in the Conditions, the Issuer is advised to consider the practicalities of distribution of information through intermediaries, for example, clearing systems and custodians, as well as any other notice requirements which may apply, for example, as between the Issuer and the Agent)

22. Final Redemption Amount: [] per Calculation Amount/specify other/see Appendix]

(N.B. If the Final Redemption Amount is other than 100 per cent. of the nominal value the Notes will be derivative securities for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive and the requirements of Annex XII to the Prospectus Directive Regulation will apply. In such event, the Issuer will prepare a supplement to the Base Prospectus simultaneously with the applicable Final Terms which sets out the relevant information in relation to such derivative securities.)

23. Early Redemption Amount payable on redemption for taxation reasons or on event of default and/or the method of calculating the same (if required or if different from that set out in Condition 7(e)): [] per Calculation Amount/specify other/see Appendix]

24. Variable Rate Redemption Notes: [Applicable/Not Applicable]
- (If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Calculation Agent responsible for calculating the rate of interest and/or interest amount and/or redemption amount: []/[Not applicable]
- (ii) Relevant provisions for determining the redemption amount: []

GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTES

25. Form of Notes:
- (a) Form: [Temporary Global Note exchangeable for a Permanent Global Note which is exchangeable for Definitive Notes [on 60 days' notice given at any time/only upon an Exchange Event]]
- [Temporary Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes on and after the Exchange Date]
- [Permanent Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes [on 60 days' notice given at any time/only upon an Exchange Event/at any time at the request of the Issuer]]
(Ensure that this is consistent with the wording in the "Form of the Notes" section in the Base Prospectus and the Notes themselves. N.B. The exchange upon notice/at any time options should not be expressed to be applicable if the Specified Denomination of the Notes in paragraph 6 includes language substantially to the following effect: "[€50,000] and integral multiples of [€1,000] in excess thereof up to and including [€99,000]." Furthermore, such Specified Denomination construction is not permitted in relation to any issue of Notes which is to be represented on issue by a Temporary Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes.)
- (b) New Global Note: [Yes] [No]
26. Additional Financial Centre(s) or other special provisions relating to Payment Days: [Not Applicable/give details]
(Note that this item relates to the place of payment and not Interest Period end dates to which items 16(c) and 18(e) relate)

27. Talons for future Coupons or Receipts to be attached to Definitive Notes (and dates on which such Talons mature): [Yes/No. *If yes, give details*]
28. Details relating to Partly Paid Notes: amount of each payment comprising the Issue Price and date on which each payment is to be made and consequences of failure to pay, including any right of the Issuer to forfeit the Notes and interest due on late payment: [Not Applicable/*give details. N.B. a new form of Temporary Global Note and/or Permanent Global Note may be required for Partly Paid issues*]
29. Details relating to Instalment Notes:
- (a) Instalment Amount(s): [Not Applicable/*give details*]
- (b) Instalment Date(s): [Not Applicable/*give details*]
30. Redenomination applicable: Redenomination [not] applicable *(If Redenomination is applicable, specify the applicable Day Count Fraction and any provisions necessary to deal with floating rate interest calculation (including alternative reference rates).*
31. Other final terms: [Not Applicable/*give details*]
- (When adding any other final terms consideration should be given as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.)*
32. Whether Condition 8 of the Notes applies: [Condition 8 applies / does not apply]

DISTRIBUTION

33. (a) If syndicated, names of Managers [Not Applicable/*give names*]
- (If the Notes are derivative securities to which Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation applies, (a) include names of entities agreeing to underwrite the issue on a firm commitment basis and names of the entities agreeing to place the issue without a firm commitment or on a “best efforts” basis if such entities are not the same as the Managers and (b) where not all of the issue is underwritten, include a statement of the portion not covered.)*

- (b) Date of [Subscription] Agreement: []
- (c) Stabilising Manager (if any): [Not Applicable/give name]
34. If non-syndicated, name of relevant Dealer: [Not Applicable/give names]
35. U.S. Selling Restrictions: [Reg. S Compliance Category; TEFRA D/TEFRA C/TEFRA not applicable]
36. Additional selling restrictions: [Not Applicable/give details]

[LISTING AND ADMISSION TO TRADING APPLICATION

These Final Terms comprise the final terms required to list and have admitted to trading the issue of Notes described herein pursuant to the EUR 3,000,000,000 Euro Medium Term Note Programme of Aliander Finance B.V.]

RESPONSIBILITY

The Issuer and the Guarantor accept responsibility for the information contained in these Final Terms. [[] has been extracted from []. The Issuer 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 information inaccurate or misleading].

Signed on behalf of the Issuer:

By:
Duly authorised

By:
Duly authorised

Signed on behalf of the Guarantor:

By:
Duly authorised

By:
Duly authorised

PART B – OTHER INFORMATION

1. LISTING

- (i) Listing and Admission to trading: [Application has been made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the Notes to be admitted to trading on [Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext/*specify other relevant regulated and, if relevant, listing on an official list*] with effect from [].] [Application is expected to be made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the Notes to be admitted to trading on [Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext /*specify other relevant regulated and, if relevant, listing on an official list*] with effect from [].] [Not Applicable.]

(Where documenting a fungible issue need to indicate that original Notes are already admitted to trading.)

- (ii) Estimate of total expenses related to admission to trading: []

2. RATINGS

Ratings: The Notes to be issued have been rated:

[S & P: []]
[Moody's: []]
[[Other]: []]

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

3. INTERESTS OF NATURAL AND LEGAL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE ISSUE

[Save for any fees payable to the [Managers/Dealers], so far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the issue of the Notes has an interest material to the offer. - *Amend as appropriate if there are other interests*]

4. REASONS FOR THE OFFER, ESTIMATED NET PROCEEDS AND TOTAL EXPENSES

- [(i) 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.)

- [(ii) 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.)

[(iii)] Estimated total expenses: [].

(N.B.: If the Notes are derivative securities to which Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation applies (i) above is required where the reasons for the offer are different from making profit and/or hedging certain risks and, where such reasons are inserted in (i), disclosure of net proceeds and total expenses at (ii) and (iii) above are also required.)

5. YIELD *(Fixed Rate Notes only)*

Indication of yield: []

The yield is calculated at the Issue Date on the basis of the Issue Price. It is not an indication of future yield.

6. PERFORMANCE OF INDEX/FORMULA, EXPLANATION OF EFFECT ON VALUE OF INVESTMENT AND ASSOCIATED RISKS AND OTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING THE UNDERLYING *(Variable Rate Interest Notes only)*

[Need to include details of where past and future performance and volatility of the reference item/formula can be obtained.]

[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.]

[Include other information concerning the underlying required by paragraph 4.2 of Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation.]

[(When completing the above paragraphs, consideration should be given as to whether such matters described constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.)]

The Issuer [intends to provide post-issuance information [specify what information will be reported and where it can be obtained]] [does not intend to provide post-issuance information].

(N.B. This paragraph 6 only applies if the Notes are derivative securities to which Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation applies.)

7. PERFORMANCE OF RATE[S] OF EXCHANGE AND EXPLANATION OF EFFECT ON VALUE OF INVESTMENT *(Dual Currency Notes only)*

[Need to include details of where past and future performance and volatility of the relevant rates can be obtained.]

[(When completing this paragraph, consideration should be given as to whether such matters described constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.)]

(N.B. This paragraph 7 only applies if the Notes are derivative securities to which Annex XII of the Prospectus Directive Regulation applies.)

8. OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

- (i) ISIN: []
- (ii) Common Code: []
- (iii) Other relevant code: []
- (iv) Any clearing system(s) other than Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme and the relevant identification number(s): [Not Applicable/give name(s) and number(s)]
- (v) Delivery: Delivery [against/free of] payment
- (vi) Names and addresses of additional Paying Agent(s) (if any): []
- (vii) Intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility: [Yes] [No]
- (Note that the designation "yes" simply means that the Notes are intended upon issue to be deposited with one of the ICSDs as common safekeeper and does not necessarily mean that the Notes will be recognised as eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy and intra-day credit operations by the Eurosystem either upon issue or at any or all times during their life. Such recognition will depend upon satisfaction of the Eurosystem eligibility criteria.] *[include this text if "yes" selected in which case the Notes must be issued in NGN form]*¹

9. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE OFFER

- Offer Price: [Issue Price/Not applicable/specify]
- [Conditions to which the offer is subject:]: [Not applicable/give details]
- [Description of the application process]: [Not applicable/give details]
- [Details of the minimum and/or maximum amount of application]: [Not applicable/give details]
- [Description of possibility to reduce subscriptions and manner for refunding]: [Not applicable/give details]

excess amount paid by applicants]:

[Details of the method and time limits for paying up and delivering the Notes:] [Not applicable/*give details*]

[Manner in and date on which results of the offer are to be made public:] [Not applicable/*give details*]

[Procedure for exercise of any right of pre-emption, negotiability of subscription rights and treatment of subscription rights not exercised:] [Not applicable/*give details*]

[Categories of potential investors to which the Notes are offered and whether tranche(s) have been reserved for certain countries:] [Not applicable/*give details*]

[Process for notification to applicants of the amount allotted and the indication whether dealing may begin before notification is made:] [Not applicable/*give details*]

[Amount of any expenses and taxes specifically charged to the subscriber or purchaser:] [Not applicable/*give details*]

[Name(s) and address(es), to the extent known to the Issuer, of the placers in the various countries where the offer takes place.] [None/*give details*]

SCHEDULE TO THE FINAL TERMS

(In relation to a tranche of Notes which is being increased and was originally issued under an Base Prospectus or Prospectus with an earlier date than the current Base Prospectus, insert full terms and conditions which shall be in the form set out in the previous Base Prospectus or Prospectus which, in the case of a listed issue shall have been previously approved by the relevant competent authority)

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE NOTES

*The following are the Terms and Conditions of Notes to be issued by the Issuer which will be incorporated by reference into each global Note and which will be endorsed on (or, if permitted by the relevant listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system and agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer, incorporated by reference into) each definitive Note. The applicable Final Terms in relation to any Tranche of Notes 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 Tranche of Notes. The applicable Final Terms will be endorsed on, incorporated by reference into, or attached to, each global Note and definitive Note. Reference should be made to “**Form of the Notes**” above for a description of the content of the Final Terms which include the definition of certain terms used in the following Terms and Conditions.*

This Note is one of a series of Notes issued by Alliander Finance B.V. (the “**Issuer**”, which expression shall include any Substituted Debtor pursuant to Condition 17) pursuant to the Agency Agreement (as defined below). References herein to the “**Notes**” shall be references to the Notes of this Series (as defined below) and shall mean (i) in relation to any Notes represented by a global Note (a “**Global Note**”), units of each Specified Denomination in the Specified Currency, (ii) definitive Notes issued in exchange (or part exchange) for a Global Note and (iii) any Global Note. The holders of the Notes, the Receipts (as defined below) and the Coupons (as defined below) are deemed to have notice of, are entitled to the benefit of and are subject to the provisions of an amended and restated agency agreement (the “**Agency Agreement**”, which expression shall include any amendments or supplements thereto or any restatement thereof) dated 27 March 2009 and made between the Issuer, n.v. Nuon as guarantor (the “**Guarantor**”), Citibank, N.A. as issuing and principal paying agent and agent bank (in such capacity the “**Agent**”, which expression shall include any successor agent) and the other paying agents named therein (together with the Agent, the “**Paying Agents**”, which expression shall include any additional or successor paying agents).

The Notes have the benefit of an amended and restated guarantee dated 27 March 2009 (the “**Guarantee**”) entered into by the Guarantor.

Interest bearing definitive Notes will have interest coupons (“**Coupons**”) and, if indicated in the applicable Final Terms, talons for further Coupons (“**Talons**”) attached on issue. Any reference herein to Coupons or coupons shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be deemed to include a reference to Talons or talons. Definitive Notes repayable in instalments have receipts (“**Receipts**”) for the payment of the instalments of principal (other than the final instalment) attached on issue. Any reference herein to “**Noteholders**” shall mean the holders of the Notes, and shall, in relation to any Notes represented by a global Note, be construed as provided below. Any reference herein to “**Receiptholders**” shall mean the holders of the Receipts and any reference herein to “**Couponholders**” shall mean the holders of the Coupons, and shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include the holders of the Talons.

The Final Terms for this Note are endorsed hereon or attached hereto or applicable hereto or, if permitted by the relevant listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system, incorporated by reference herein and supplement 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, replace or modify these Terms and Conditions for the purposes of this Note. References herein to the “**applicable Final Terms**” are to the Final Terms for this Note.

As used herein, “**Tranche**” means Notes which are identical in all respects (including as to listing) and “**Series**” means a Tranche of Notes together with any further Tranche or Tranches of Notes which are (i) expressed to be consolidated and form a single series and (ii) identical in all respects (including as to listing) from the date on which such consolidation is expressed to take effect.

Copies of the Agency Agreement and the Guarantee are available for inspection during normal business hours at the specified office of each of the Paying Agents. Copies of the applicable Final Terms are available for viewing at the registered office of the Issuer and of the Agent and copies may be obtained from those offices save that, if this Note is neither admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area nor offered in the European Economic Area in circumstances where a prospectus is required to be published under the Prospectus Directive, the applicable Final Terms will only be obtainable by a Noteholder holding one or more Notes and such Noteholder must produce evidence satisfactory to the Issuer or, as the case may be, and the relevant Paying Agent as to its holding of such Notes and identity. The Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders are deemed to have notice of, and are entitled to the benefit of, all the provisions of the Agency Agreement, the Guarantee and the applicable Final Terms which are applicable to them. The statements in the Conditions include summaries of, and are subject to, the detailed provisions of the Agency Agreement.

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.

1. Form, Denomination and Title

The Notes are in bearer form and, in the case of definitive Notes, serially numbered, in the Specified Currency and the Specified Denomination(s).

This Note may be a Fixed Rate Note, a Floating Rate Note, a Zero Coupon Note, a Variable Rate Interest Note, a Dual Currency Interest Note or a combination of any of the foregoing, depending upon the Interest Basis shown in the applicable Final Terms.

This Note may be an Index Linked Redemption Note, an Instalment Note, a Dual Currency Redemption Note, a Partly Paid Note or a combination of any of the foregoing, depending upon the Redemption/Payment Basis shown in the applicable Final Terms.

Notes in definitive form are issued with Coupons attached, unless they are Zero Coupon Notes in which case references to Coupons and Couponholders in these Terms and Conditions are not applicable.

Subject as set out below, title to the Notes, Receipts and Coupons will pass by delivery. Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law or applicable regulations, the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Agent and any Paying Agent may deem and treat the bearer of any Note, Receipt or Coupon as the absolute owner thereof (whether or not overdue and notwithstanding any notice of ownership or writing thereon or notice of any previous loss or theft thereof) for all purposes but, in the case of any global Note, without prejudice to the provisions set out in the next succeeding paragraph.

For so long as any of the Notes is represented by a global Note held on behalf of Euroclear Bank S.A./ N.V. (“**Euroclear**”) and/or Clearstream Banking, société anonyme (“**Clearstream, Luxembourg**”) each person (other than Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or of Clearstream, Luxembourg as the holder of a particular nominal amount of such Notes (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as to the nominal amount of Notes 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 and any Paying Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest on the Notes, for which purpose the bearer of the relevant global Note shall be treated by the Issuer, the Guarantor and any Paying Agent as the holder of such Notes in accordance with and subject to the terms of the relevant global Note (and the expressions “**Noteholder**” and “**holder of Notes**” and related expressions shall be construed accordingly). Notes which are represented by a global Note held by a common depository for Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear or of Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be.

References to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system specified in the applicable Final Terms. Any amendments to these Terms and Conditions in connection with such additional or alternative clearing system shall be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

2. Status of the Notes and the Guarantee

- (i) The Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons constitute direct, unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* without any preference among themselves and, subject as provided in Condition 3, with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer (save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law) from time to time outstanding.
- (ii) The Guarantor has in the Guarantee unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed the due and punctual payment of all sums from time to time payable by the Issuer in respect of the Notes. The obligations of the Guarantor under the Guarantee constitute direct, unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Guarantor and rank *pari passu* without any preference among themselves and, subject as provided in Condition 3, with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Guarantor (save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law) from time to time outstanding.

3. Negative Pledge

So long as any of the Notes remains outstanding, neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor will grant or

permit to be outstanding, and the Issuer and the Guarantor will procure that there is not granted or permitted to be outstanding, and will procure that none of the Material Subsidiaries (as defined in Condition 10) will grant or permit to be outstanding, any mortgage, charge, lien, pledge or other security interest over any of its present or future assets or revenues or any part thereof, to secure any Relevant Indebtedness or any guarantee thereof unless the Issuer and the Guarantor shall, in the case of the granting of the security, before or at the same time, and in any other case, promptly, procure that all amounts payable under the Notes are secured equally and rateably or that such other security or other arrangement is provided as shall be approved by an Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Agency Agreement) of the Noteholders.

For this purpose “**Relevant Indebtedness**” means any indebtedness, present or future, in the form of or represented by notes, bonds, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, certificates or other similar instruments which are, or are capable of being, listed, quoted or traded on or admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation by any listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system or other securities market (including, without limitation, any over-the-counter market).

4. Redenomination

Where redenomination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being applicable, the Issuer may, without the consent of the Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders, on giving prior notice to the Agent, Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and at least 30 days' prior notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14, elect that, with effect from the Redenomination Date specified in the notice, the Notes shall be redenominated in euro.

The election will have effect as follows:

- (i) the Notes and the Receipts shall be deemed to be redenominated into euro in the denomination of euro 0.01 with a principal amount for each Note and Receipt equal to the principal amount of that Note or Receipt in the Specified Currency, converted into euro at the Established Rate, provided that, if the Issuer determines, with the agreement of the Agent, that the then market practice in respect of the redenomination into euro of internationally offered securities is different from the provisions specified above, such provisions shall be deemed to be amended so as to comply with such market practice and the Issuer shall promptly notify the Noteholders, each listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system (if any) by which the Notes may be admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation and the Paying Agents of such deemed amendments;
- (ii) save to the extent that an Exchange Notice has been given in accordance with paragraph (iv) below, the amount of interest due in respect of the Notes will be calculated by reference to the aggregate principal amount of Notes presented (or, as the case may be, in respect of which Coupons are presented) for payment by the relevant holder and the amount of such payment shall be rounded down to the nearest euro 0.01;
- (iii) if definitive Notes are required to be issued after the Redenomination Date they shall be issued at the expense of the Issuer in the denominations of at least euro 50,000, and such higher denominations as the Agent shall determine and notify to the Noteholders;
- (iv) if issued prior to the Redenomination Date, all unmatured Coupons denominated in the Specified Currency (whether or not attached to the Notes) will become void with effect from the date on which the Issuer gives notice (the “**Exchange Notice**”) that replacement euro-denominated Notes, Receipts and Coupons are available for exchange (provided that such securities are so available) and no payments will be made in respect of them. The payment obligations contained in any Notes and Receipts so issued will also become void on that date although those Notes and Receipts will continue to constitute valid exchange obligations of the Issuer. New certificates in respect of euro-denominated Notes, Receipts and Coupons will be issued in exchange for Notes, Receipts and Coupons denominated in the Specified Currency in such manner as the Agent may specify and as shall be notified to the Noteholders in the Exchange Notice. No Exchange Notice may be given less than 15 days prior to any date for payment of principal or interest on the Notes;
- (v) after the Redenomination Date, all payments in respect of the Notes, the Receipts and the Coupons, other than payments of interest in respect of periods commencing before the Redenomination Date, will be made solely in euro as though references in the Notes to the Specified Currency were to euro. Payments will be made in euro by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other account to which euro may be credited or

- transferred) specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque;
- (vi) if the Notes are Fixed Rate Notes and interest for any period ending on or after the Redenomination Date is required to be calculated for a period ending other than on an Interest Payment Date, it will be calculated:
- (i) in the case of the Notes represented by a Global Note, by applying the Rate of Interest to the aggregate outstanding nominal amount of the Notes; and
 - (ii) in the case of definitive Notes, by applying the Rate of Interest to the Calculation Amount;
- and, in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Fixed Rate Note in definitive form is a multiple of the Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Fixed Rate Note shall be the product of the amount (determined in the manner provided above) for the Calculation Amount and the amount by which the Calculation Amount is multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination, without any further rounding;
- (vii) if the Notes are Floating Rate Notes the applicable Final Terms will specify any relevant changes to the provisions relating to interest; and
- (viii) such other changes shall be made to these Conditions as the Issuer may decide, after consultation with the Agent, and as may be specified in the notice, to conform them to conventions then applicable to instruments denominated in euro. Any such other changes will not take effect until after they have been notified to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14.

In these Conditions, the following expressions have the following meanings:

“Established Rate” means the rate for the conversion of the Specified Currency (including compliance with rules relating to roundings in accordance with applicable European Community regulations) into euro established by the Council of the European Union pursuant to Article 109(1) 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 (as defined below);

“Redenomination Date” means (in the case of interest bearing Notes) any date for payment of interest under the Notes or (in the case of Zero Coupon Notes) any date, in each case specified by the Issuer in the notice given to the Noteholders pursuant to paragraph (i) above and which falls on or after the date on which the country of the Specified Currency first participates in the third stage of European economic and monetary union;

“TARGET2 System” means the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System; and

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

5. Interest

(a) *Interest on Fixed Rate Notes*

Each Fixed Rate Note bears interest from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date at the rate(s) per annum equal to the Rate(s) of Interest. Interest will be payable in arrear on the Interest Payment Date(s) in each year up to (and including) the Maturity Date.

If the notes are in definitive form, except as provided in the applicable Final Terms, the amount of interest payable on each Interest Payment Date in respect of the Fixed Interest Period ending on (but excluding) such date will amount to the Fixed Coupon Amount. Payments of interest on any Interest Payment Date will, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, amount to the Broken Amount so specified.

As used in the Conditions, **“Fixed Interest Period”** means the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date.

Except in the case of Notes in definitive form where an applicable Fixed Coupon Amount or Broken

Amount is specified in the applicable Final Terms, interest shall be calculated in respect of any period by applying the Rate of Interest to:

(A) in the case of Fixed Rate Notes which are represented by a Global Note, the aggregate outstanding nominal amount of the Fixed Rate Notes represented by such Global Note (or, if they are Partly Paid Notes, the aggregate amount paid up); or

(B) in the case of Fixed Rate Notes in definitive form, the Calculation Amount;

and, in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Fixed Rate Note in definitive form is a multiple of the Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Fixed Rate Note shall be the product of the amount (determined in the manner provided above) for the Calculation Amount and the amount by which the Calculation Amount is multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination, without any further rounding.

“Day Count Fraction” means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest in accordance with this Condition 5(a):

(i) if “Actual/Actual (ICMA)” is specified in the applicable Final Terms:

(a) in the case of Notes where the number of days in the relevant period from (and including) the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the relevant payment date (the **“Accrual Period”**) is equal to or shorter than the Determination Period during which the Accrual Period ends, the number of days in such Accrual Period divided by the product of (I) the number of days in such Determination Period and (II) the number of Determination Dates (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) that would occur in one calendar year; or

(b) in the case of Notes where the Accrual Period is longer than the Determination Period during which the Accrual Period ends, the sum of:

(A) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the Determination Period in which the Accrual Period begins divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Dates that would occur in one calendar year; and

(B) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the next Determination Period divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Dates that would occur in one calendar year; and

(ii) if “30/360” is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the period from (and including) the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the relevant payment date (such number of days being calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months) divided by 360.

In the Conditions:

“Determination Period” means each period from (and including) a Determination Date to (but excluding) the next Determination Date (including, where either the Interest Commencement Date or the final Interest Payment Date is not a Determination Date, the period commencing on the first Determination Date prior to, and ending on the first Determination Date falling after, such date); and

“sub-unit” means, with respect to any currency other than euro, the lowest amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country of such currency and, with respect to euro, one cent.

(b) **Interest on Floating Rate Notes**

(i) *Interest Payment Dates*

Each Floating Rate Note bears interest from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and such interest will be payable in arrear on either:

(a) the Specified Interest Payment Date(s) in each year specified in the applicable Final Terms; or

(b) if no Specified Interest Payment Date(s) is/are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each date (each such date, together with each Specified Interest Payment Date, an **“Interest Payment Date”**) which falls on the number of months or other period specified as the Specified Period in the applicable Final Terms after the preceding Interest Payment Date or, in the case of the first Interest Payment

Date, after the Interest Commencement Date.

Such interest will be payable in respect of each Interest Period (which expression shall, in the Conditions, mean the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date).

If a Business Day Convention is specified in the applicable Final Terms and (x) if there is no numerically corresponding day in the calendar month in which an Interest Payment Date should occur or (y) if any Interest Payment Date would otherwise fall on a day which is not a Business Day, then, if the Business Day Convention specified is:

- (A) in any case where Specified Periods are specified in accordance with Condition 5(b)(i)(b) above, the Floating Rate Convention, such Interest Payment Date (a) in the case of (x) above, shall be the last day that is a Business Day in the relevant month and the provisions of (ii) below shall apply *mutatis mutandis* or (b) in the case of (y) above, shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event (i) such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day and (ii) each subsequent Interest Payment Date shall be the last Business Day in the month which falls the Specified Period after the preceding applicable Interest Payment Date occurred; or
- (B) the Following Business Day Convention, such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day; or
- (C) the Modified Following Business Day Convention, such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day; or
- (D) the Preceding Business Day Convention, such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day.

In the Conditions, “**Business Day**” means a day which is both:

- (a) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in Amsterdam, London and each Additional Business Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
 - (b) either (i) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (if other than Amsterdam, London and any Additional Business Centre and which if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars or New Zealand dollars shall be Sydney and Auckland, respectively) or (ii) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which the TARGET2 System is open.
- (ii) *Rate of Interest*

The Rate of Interest payable from time to time in respect of the Floating Rate Notes will be determined in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms on the following basis:

- (A) ISDA Determination for Floating Rate Notes

Where ISDA Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will be the relevant ISDA Rate plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any). For the purposes of this sub-paragraph (A), “**ISDA Rate**” for an Interest Period means a rate equal to the Floating Rate that would be determined by the Agent under an interest rate swap transaction if the Agent were acting as Calculation Agent for that swap transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the 2006 ISDA Definitions, as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., and as amended and updated as at the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes and under which:

- (1) the Floating Rate Option is as specified in the applicable Final Terms;
- (2) the Designated Maturity is the period specified in the applicable Final Terms; and

- (3) the relevant Reset Date is either (i) if the applicable Floating Rate Option is based on the London inter-bank offered rate (LIBOR) or on the Euro-zone interbank offered rate (EURIBOR), the first day of that Interest Period or (ii) in any other case, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

For the purposes of this sub-paragraph (A), “**Floating Rate**”, “**Calculation Agent**”, “**Floating Rate Option**”, “**Designated Maturity**” and “**Reset Date**” have the meanings given to those terms in the ISDA Definitions.

Unless otherwise stated in the applicable Final Terms the Minimum Rate of Interest shall be deemed to be zero.

(B) Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Notes

Where Screen Rate Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be either:

- (1) the offered quotation; or
- (2) the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations,

(expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate which appears or appear, as the case may be, on the Relevant Screen Page as at as at 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR) on the Interest Determination Date in question plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Agent. If five or more such offered quotations are available on the Relevant Screen Page, the highest (or, if there is more than one such highest quotation, one only of such quotations) and the lowest (or, if there is more than one such lowest quotation, one only of such quotations) shall be disregarded by the Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of such offered quotations.

The Agency Agreement contains provisions for determining the Rate of Interest pursuant to this subparagraph (B) in the event that the Relevant Screen Page is not available or if, in the case of (1) above, no such quotation appears or, in the case of (2) above, fewer than three such offered quotations appear, in each case as at the time specified in the preceding paragraph.

If the Reference Rate from time to time in respect of Floating Rate Notes is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being other than LIBOR or EURIBOR, the Rate of Interest in respect of such Notes will be determined as provided in the applicable Final Terms.

(iii) *Minimum and/or Maximum Rate of Interest*

If the applicable Final Terms specifies a Minimum Rate of Interest for any Interest Period, then, in the event that the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph b above is less than such Minimum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Minimum Rate of Interest.

If the applicable Final Terms specifies a Maximum Rate of Interest for any Interest Period, then, in the event that the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph b above is greater than such Maximum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Maximum Rate of Interest.

(iv) *Determination of Rate of Interest and calculation of Interest Amounts*

In respect of Floating Rate Notes, the Agent will at or as soon as practicable after each time at which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, determine the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period.

The Agent will calculate the amount of interest (the “**Interest Amount**”) payable on the Floating Rate Notes for the relevant Interest Period by applying the Rate of Interest to:

- (A) in the case of Floating Rate Notes which are represented by a Global Note, the aggregate outstanding nominal amount of the Notes represented by such Global Note (or, if they are Partly Paid Notes, the aggregate amount paid up); or
- (B) in the case of Floating Rate Notes in definitive form, the Calculation Amount;

and, in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Floating Rate Note in definitive form is a multiple of the Calculation Amount, the Interest Amount payable in respect of such Note shall be the product of the amount (determined in the manner provided above) for the Calculation Amount and the amount by which the Calculation Amount is multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination, without any further rounding.

Day Count Fraction means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest in accordance with this Condition 5(b):

- (a) if "Actual/Actual (ISDA)" or "Actual/Actual" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, 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 (I) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a leap year divided by 366 and (II) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);
- (b) if "Actual/365 (Fixed)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365;
- (c) if "Actual/365 (Sterling)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365 or, in the case of an Interest Payment Date falling in a leap year, 366;
- (d) if "Actual/360" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360;
- (e) if "30/360", "360/360" or "Bond Basis" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

$$\frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)}{360}$$

Day Count Fraction =

where:

"Y₁" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"Y₂" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"M₁" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"M₂" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"D₁" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless such number is 31, in which case D₁ will be 30; and

"D₂" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31 and D₁ is greater than 29, in which case D₂ will be 30;

- (f) if "30E/360" or "Eurobond Basis" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

$$\frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)}{360}$$

Day Count Fraction =

where:

"Y₁" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"Y₂" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"M₁" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"M₂" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"D₁" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D₁ will be 30; and

“D₂” is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D₂ will be 30;

(g) if “30E/360 (ISDA)” is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

$$\frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)}{360}$$

Day Count Fraction =

where:

“Y₁” is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

“Y₂” is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

“M₁” is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

“M₂” is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

“D₁” is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D₁ will be 30; and

“D₂” is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February but not the Maturity Date or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D₂ will be 30.

(v) *Notification of Rate of Interest and Interest Amount*

The Agent will cause the Rate of Interest and each Interest Amount for each Interest Period and the relevant Interest Payment Date to be notified to the Issuer and any stock exchange on which the relevant Floating Rate Notes are for the time being listed and notice thereof to be published in accordance with Condition 14 as soon as possible after their determination but in no event later than the fourth Business Day thereafter. Each Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date so notified may subsequently be amended (or appropriate alternative arrangements made by way of adjustment) without prior notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the Interest Period. Any such amendment will be promptly notified to each stock exchange on which the relevant Floating Rate Notes are for the time being listed and to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14.

(vi) *Certificates to be Final*

All certificates, communications, opinions, determinations, calculations, quotations and decisions given, expressed, made or obtained for the purposes of the provisions of this Condition 5(b), whether by the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent, shall (in the absence of wilful default, bad faith, manifest error or proven error) be binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Agent, the Calculation Agent (if applicable), the other Paying Agents and all Noteholders, Receiptholders and Couponholders and (in the absence of wilful default or bad faith) no liability to the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Noteholders, the Receiptholders or the Couponholders shall attach to the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent in connection with the exercise or non-exercise by it of its powers, duties and discretions pursuant to such provisions.

(c) *Interest on Variable Rate Notes*

Variable Rate Notes shall bear interest from their Interest Commencement Date in accordance with the formula as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms. Such interest will be payable calculated by the Calculation Agent and on the dates specified in the relevant Final Terms (the “**Determination Date**” or, if not so specified as calculated by the Calculation Agent promptly before the Interest Payment Date) and will be payable in arrear on such dates as are specified in the relevant Final Terms and on the date of final maturity of the Notes. The amount of interest payable on any Interest Payment Date (the “**Interest Amount**”) will be calculated in accordance with the terms of the relevant Final Terms.

(d) *Interest on Dual Currency Interest Notes*

The rate or amount of interest payable in respect of Dual Currency Interest Notes shall be determined in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms.

(e) *Partly Paid Notes*

In the case of Partly Paid Notes (other than Partly Paid Notes which are Zero Coupon Notes), interest will accrue as aforesaid on the paid-up nominal amount of such Notes and otherwise as specified in the

applicable Final Terms.

(f) **Accrual of Interest**

Each Note (or in the case of the redemption of part only of a Note, that part only of such Note) will cease to bear interest (if any) from the date for its redemption unless, upon due presentation thereof, payment of principal is improperly withheld or refused. In such event, interest will continue to accrue until whichever is the earlier of:

- (1) the date on which all amounts due in respect of such Note have been paid; and
- (2) five days after the date on which the full amount of the moneys payable has been received by the Agent and notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14 or individually.

6. Payments

(a) **Method of Payment**

Subject as provided below:

- (i) payments in a Specified Currency other than euro will be made by credit or transfer to an account in the relevant Specified Currency (which, in the case of a payment in Japanese yen to a non-resident of Japan, shall be a non-resident account) maintained by the payee with, or, at the option of the payee, by a cheque in such Specified Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Specified Currency (which, if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars, shall be Sydney); and
- (ii) payments in euro shall be made by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque.

Payments will be subject in all cases to any fiscal or other laws and regulations applicable thereto in the place of payment, but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 8.

(b) **Presentation of definitive Notes, Receipts and Coupons**

Payments of principal in respect of definitive Notes will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner provided in Condition 6(a) above only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of definitive Notes, and payments of interest in respect of definitive Notes will (subject as provided below) be made as aforesaid only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of Coupons, in each case at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States (which expression, as used herein, means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia, its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction)).

Payments of instalments of principal (if any), other than the final instalment, will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner provided in paragraph (a) above against presentation and surrender of the relevant Receipt. Payment of the final instalment will be made in the manner provided in Condition 6(a) above against surrender of the relevant Note. Each Receipt must be presented for payment of the relevant instalment together with the definitive Note to which it appertains. Receipts presented without the definitive Note to which they appertain do not constitute valid obligations of the Issuer. Upon the date on which any definitive Note becomes due and repayable, unmatured Receipts (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect thereof.

Fixed Rate Notes in definitive form (other than Dual Currency Notes, Index-Linked Notes and Long Maturity Notes (as defined below)) should be presented for payment together with all unmatured Coupons appertaining thereto (which expression shall for this purpose include Coupons falling to be issued on exchange of matured Talons), failing which the amount of any missing unmatured Coupon (or, in the case of payment not being made in full, the same proportion of the amount of such missing unmatured Coupon as the sum so paid bears to the sum due) will be deducted from the sum due for payment. Each amount of principal so deducted will be paid in the manner mentioned above against surrender of the relative missing Coupon at any time before the expiry of ten years after the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 8) in respect of such principal (whether or not such Coupon would otherwise have become void under Condition 9) or, if later, five years from the date on which such Coupon would otherwise have become due, but in no event thereafter. Upon any Fixed Rate Note becoming due and repayable prior to its Maturity Date, all unmatured Receipts and Talons (if any) appertaining thereto will become void and no payments in respect of any such Receipts and no further Coupons in respect of any such Talons will be made or issued, as the case may be.

Upon the date on which any Floating Rate Note, Dual Currency Note, Index-Linked Interest Note or Long Maturity Note in definitive form becomes due and repayable, unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment or, as the case may be, exchange for further Coupons shall be made in respect thereof. Where any such Note is presented for redemption without all unmatured Receipts, Coupons or Talons relating to it, redemption shall be made only against the provision of such indemnity as the Issuer may require. A “**Long Maturity Note**” is a Fixed Rate Note (other than a Fixed Rate Note which on issue had a Talon attached) whose nominal amount on issue is less than the aggregate interest payable thereon provided that such Note shall cease to be a Long Maturity Note on the Interest Payment Date on which the aggregate amount of interest remaining to be paid after that date is less than the nominal amount of such Note.

If the due date for redemption of any definitive Note is not an Interest Payment Date, interest (if any) accrued in respect of such Note from (and including) the preceding Interest Payment Date or, as the case may be, the Interest Commencement Date shall be payable only against surrender of the relevant definitive Note.

(c) **Payments in respect of Global Notes**

Payments of principal and interest (if any) in respect of Notes represented by any Global Note will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner specified above in relation to definitive Notes and otherwise in the manner specified in the relevant Global Note against presentation or surrender, as the case may be, of such global Note at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States. A record of each payment made against presentation or surrender of any Global Note, distinguishing between any payment of principal and any payment of interest, will be made on such Global Note by the Paying Agent to which it was presented and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made.

(d) **General provisions applicable to payments**

The holder of a Global Note shall be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of Notes represented by such Global Note and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Note in respect of each amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as the beneficial holder of a particular nominal amount of Notes represented by such Global Note must look solely to Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, for his share of each payment so made by the Issuer to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Note. No person other than the holder of such Global Note shall have any claim against the Issuer in respect of any payments due on that Global Note.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Condition, if any amount of principal and/or interest in respect of Notes is payable in U.S. dollars, such U.S. dollar payments of principal and/or interest in respect of such Notes will be made at the specified office of a Paying Agent in the United States (which expression, as used herein, means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia, its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction)) if:

- (i) the Issuer has appointed Paying Agents with specified offices outside the United States with the reasonable expectation that such Paying Agents would be able to make payment in U.S. dollars at such specified offices outside the United States of the full amount of principal and interest on the Notes in the manner provided above when due;
- (ii) payment of the full amount of such interest at all such specified offices outside the United States is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions on the full payment or receipt of principal and interest in U.S. dollars; and
- (iii) such payment is then permitted under United States law without involving, in the opinion of the Issuer and the Guarantor, adverse tax consequences to the Issuer or the Guarantor.

(e) **Payment Day**

If the date for payment of any amount in respect of any Note, Receipt or Coupon is not a Payment Day, the holder thereof shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day in the relevant place and shall not be entitled to any further interest or other payment in respect of such delay.

For these purposes (unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms), “**Payment Day**” means:

- (i) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in:

- (a) the relevant place of presentation;
 - (b) London;
 - (c) each Additional Financial Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (ii) either (A) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (if other than the place of presentation, London and any Additional Financial Centre and which if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars shall be Sydney) or (B) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which the TARGET2 System is open.

(f) **Interpretation of Principal and Interest**

Any reference in these Terms and Conditions to principal in respect of the Notes shall be deemed to include, as applicable:

- (i) any additional amounts which may be payable with respect to principal under Condition 8;
- (ii) the Final Redemption Amount of the Notes;
- (iii) the Early Redemption Amount of the Notes;
- (iv) the Optional Redemption Amount(s) (if any) of the Notes;
- (v) in relation to Instalment Notes, the Instalment Amounts (as defined in Condition 7(a));
- (vi) in relation to Zero Coupon Notes, the Amortised Face Amount (as defined in Condition 7(e)); and
- (vii) any premium and any other amounts which may be payable by the Issuer under or in respect of the Notes.

Any reference in these Terms and Conditions to interest in respect of the Notes shall be deemed to include, as applicable, any additional amounts which may be payable with respect to interest under Condition 8.

7. Redemption and Purchase

(a) **At Maturity**

Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled as specified below, each Note (including each Variable Redemption Note and Dual Currency Note) will be redeemed by the Issuer at its Final Redemption Amount specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms in the relevant Specified Currency on the Maturity Date.

(b) **Redemption for Tax Reasons**

Unless the applicable Final Terms provides that Condition 8 does not apply, Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part, at any time (in the case of Notes other than Floating Rate Notes or Index-Linked Interest Notes) or on any Interest Payment Date (in the case of Floating Rate Notes, Variable Rate Interest Notes or Dual Currency Notes), on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14 (which notice shall be irrevocable) if on the occasion of the next payment due under the Notes, the Issuer has or will become obliged to pay additional amounts as provided or referred to in Condition 8 as a result of any change in, or amendment to, the laws or regulations of the Netherlands or any political subdivision or any authority thereof or therein having power to tax, or any change in the application or official interpretation of such laws or regulations, which change or amendment becomes effective on or after the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes.

Notes redeemed pursuant to this Condition 7(b) will be redeemed at their Early Redemption Amount referred to in paragraph (e) below together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption.

(c) **Redemption at the Option of the Issuer**

If the Issuer is specified in the applicable Final Terms as having an option to redeem, the Issuer may, having given:

- (i) not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14; and
- (ii) not less than 15 days before the giving of the notice referred to in (i), notice to the Agent,

(both of which notices shall be irrevocable), redeem all or some only of the Notes then outstanding on the Optional Redemption Date(s) and at the Optional Redemption Amount(s) specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the Optional Redemption Date(s).

Any such redemption must be of a nominal amount equal to the Minimum Redemption Amount or Maximum Redemption Amount, both as indicated in the applicable Final Terms. In the case of a partial redemption of Notes, the Notes to be redeemed (“**Redeemed Notes**”) will be selected individually by lot, in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes, and in accordance with the rules of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, (to be reflected in the records of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg as either a pool factor or a reduction in nominal amount, at their discretion) in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by a global Note, not more than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption (such date of selection being hereinafter called the “**Selection Date**”). In the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes, a list of the serial numbers of such Redeemed Notes will be published in accordance with Condition 14 not less than 15 days prior to the date fixed for redemption. The aggregate nominal amount of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes shall bear the same proportion to the aggregate nominal amount of all Redeemed Notes as the aggregate nominal amount of definitive Notes outstanding bears to the aggregate nominal amount of the Notes outstanding, in each case on the Selection Date, provided that such first mentioned nominal amount shall, if necessary, be rounded downwards to the nearest integral multiple of the Specified Denomination, and the aggregate nominal amount of Redeemed Notes represented by a global Note shall be equal to the balance of the Redeemed Notes. No exchange of the relevant global Note will be permitted during the period from and including the Selection Date to and including the date fixed for redemption pursuant to this sub-paragraph (c) and notice to that effect shall be given by the Issuer to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14 at least 5 days prior to the Selection Date.

(d) **Redemption of Notes at the Option of the Noteholders**

If the Noteholders are specified in the applicable Final Terms as having an option to redeem, upon the holder of any Note giving to the Issuer in accordance with Condition 14 not less than 15 nor more than 30 days’ notice or such other period of notice as is specified in the applicable Final Terms (which notice shall be irrevocable), the Issuer will, upon the expiry of such notice, redeem, subject to, and in accordance with, the terms specified in the applicable Final Terms, in whole (but not in part), such Note on the Optional Redemption Date and at the Optional Redemption Amount specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the Optional Redemption Date.

To exercise the right to require redemption of this Note the holder of this Note must, if this Note is in definitive form and held outside Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, deliver, at the specified office of any Paying Agent at any time during normal business hours of such Paying Agent falling within the notice period, a duly completed and signed notice of exercise in the form (for the time being current) obtainable from any specified office of any Paying Agent (a “**Put Notice**”) and in which the holder must specify a bank account (or, if payment is required to be made by cheque, an address) to which payment is to be made under this Condition accompanied by this Note or evidence satisfactory to the Paying Agent concerned that this Note will, following delivery of the Put Notice, be held to its order or under its control. If this Note is represented by a Global Note or is in definitive form and held through Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, to exercise the right to require redemption of this Note the holder of this Note must, within the notice period, give notice to the Agent of such exercise in accordance with the standard procedures of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (which may include notice being given on his instruction by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or any common depositary or common safekeeper for them to the Agent by electronic means) in a form acceptable to Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, from time to time and, if this Note is represented by a Global Note, at the same time present or procure the presentation of the relevant Global Note to the Agent for notation accordingly.

Any Put Notice or other notice given in accordance with the standard procedures of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg given by a holder of any Note pursuant to this Condition 7(d) shall be irrevocable except where, prior to the due date of redemption, an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, in which event such holder, at its option, may elect by notice to the Issuer to withdraw the notice given pursuant to this Condition 7(d) and instead to declare such Note forthwith due and payable pursuant to Condition 10.

(e) **Early Redemption Amounts**

For the purpose of paragraph (b) above and Condition 10, the Notes will be redeemed at the Early Redemption Amount calculated as follows:

- (i) in the case of a Note with a Final Redemption Amount equal to the Issue Price, at the Final Redemption Amount thereof;

- (ii) in the case of a Note (other than a Zero Coupon Note but including an Instalment Note and a Partly Paid Note) with a Final Redemption Amount which is or may be less or greater than the Issue Price or which is payable in a Specified Currency other than that in which the Note is denominated, at the amount specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms or, if no such amount or manner is so specified in the applicable Final Terms, at its nominal amount;
- (iii) in the case of a Zero Coupon Note, at an amount (the “**Amortised Face Amount**”) calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Early Redemption Amount} = \text{RP} \times (1 + \text{AY})^y$$

where:

RP means the Reference Price;

AY means the Accrual Yield expressed as a decimal; and

y is a fraction the numerator of which is equal to the number of days (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 months of 30 days each) from (and including) the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption or (as the case may be) the date upon which such Note becomes due and repayable and the denominator of which is 360,

or on such other calculation basis as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms; or

- (iv) in the case of a Variable Rate Note, or any other type of Note as may be issued under this Programme, as determined by reference to the provisions in the applicable Final Terms.

(f) **Instalments**

Instalment Notes will be repaid in the Instalment Amounts and on the Instalment Dates. In the case of early redemption, the Early Redemption Amount will be determined pursuant to Condition 7(e) above.

(g) **Partly Paid Notes**

If the Notes are Partly Paid Notes, they will be redeemed, whether at maturity, early redemption or otherwise, in accordance with the provisions of this Condition and the applicable Final Terms.

(h) **Purchases**

The Issuer, the Guarantor or any of their respective subsidiaries may at any time purchase Notes (provided that, in the case of definitive Notes, all unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons appertaining thereto are purchased therewith) at any price in the open market or otherwise. Such Notes may be held, reissued, resold or, at the option of the Issuer or the Guarantor, surrendered to any Paying Agent for cancellation.

(i) **Cancellation**

All Notes which are redeemed or purchased by the Issuer, the Guarantor or any of their respective subsidiaries will forthwith be cancelled (together with all unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons attached thereto or surrendered therewith at the time of redemption). All Notes so cancelled and the Notes purchased and cancelled pursuant to Condition 7(h) above (together with all unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons cancelled therewith) shall be forwarded to the Agent and cannot be re-issued or resold.

(j) **Late Payment on Zero Coupon Notes**

If the amount payable in respect of any Zero Coupon Note upon redemption of such Zero Coupon Note pursuant to paragraph (a), (b), (c) or (d) above or upon its becoming due and repayable as provided in Condition 10 is improperly withheld or refused, the amount due and repayable in respect of such Zero Coupon Note shall be the amount calculated as provided in Condition 7(e)(iii) above as though the references therein to the date fixed for the redemption or the date upon which such Zero Coupon Note becomes due and payable were replaced by references to the date which is the earlier of:

- (i) the date on which all amounts due in respect of such Zero Coupon Note have been paid; and
- (ii) five days after the date on which the full amount of the moneys payable has been received by the Agent and notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders, in accordance with Condition 14.

8. Taxation

Unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms, all payments of principal and interest in respect of the Notes, Receipts and Coupons by the Issuer or the Guarantor will be made without withholding or

deduction for or on account of any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature imposed or levied by or on behalf of the Netherlands or any political subdivision or any authority thereof or therein having power to tax, unless such withholding or deduction is required by law. In such event, the Issuer or (as the case may be) the Guarantor will pay such additional amounts as shall be necessary in order that the net amounts received by the holders of the Notes, Receipts or Coupons after such withholding or deduction shall equal the respective amounts of principal and interest which would otherwise have been receivable in respect of the Notes, Receipts or Coupons, as the case may be, in the absence of such withholding or deduction; except that no such additional amounts shall be payable with respect to any Note, Receipt or Coupon presented for payment:

- (a) by or on behalf of a Noteholder, Receiptholder or Couponholder who is liable for such taxes or duties in respect of such Note, Receipt or Coupon by reason of his having some connection with the Netherlands other than the mere holding of such Note, Receipt or Coupon or the receipt of principal or interest in respect thereof; or
- (b) by or on behalf of a Noteholder, Receiptholder or Couponholder who would not be liable or subject to the withholding or deduction by making a declaration of non-residence or other similar claim for exemption to the relevant tax authority; or
- (c) more than 30 days after the Relevant Date (as defined below) except to the extent that the holder thereof would have been entitled to an additional amount on presenting the same for payment on such thirtieth day; or
- (d) where such withholding or deduction is imposed on a payment to an individual and is required to be made pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive; or
- (e) by or on behalf of a Noteholder who would have been able to avoid such withholding or deduction by presenting the relevant Note or Coupon to another Paying Agent in a Member State of the European Union.

As used herein, the “**Relevant Date**” means the date on which such payment first becomes due, except that, if the full amount of the moneys payable has not been duly received by the Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which, the full amount of such moneys having been so received, notice to that effect is duly given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14.

9. Prescription

The Notes, Receipts and Coupons will become void unless presented for payment within a period of five years after the date on which such payment first becomes due.

There shall not be included in any Coupon sheet issued in exchange for a Talon any Coupon the claim for payment in respect of which would be void pursuant to this Condition or Condition 6(b) or any Talon which would be void pursuant to Condition 6(b).

10. Events of Default

If any one or more of the following events (each an “**Event of Default**”) shall have occurred and be continuing:

- (i) default is made for more than 14 days in the payment of interest or 7 days in the payment of principal in respect of the Notes; or
- (ii) the Issuer fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Notes or the Guarantor fails to perform or observe any of its obligations under or in respect of the Guarantee and, in either case, such failure has continued for the period of 30 days next following the service on the Issuer or (as the case may be) the Guarantor of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or
- (iii) if any Indebtedness of the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary, in each case having an outstanding aggregate principal amount of at least Euro 50,000,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency or currencies), shall become due and payable prior to the stated maturity thereof following a default or any security therefor becomes enforceable, or, in the case of finance or capital leases as referred to in sub-paragraph (iii) of the definition of Indebtedness, if the counterparty accelerates the obligations of the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary, as the case may be, under such capital or finance lease, or the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary fails to make

repayment of any such loan or debt at the maturity thereof or at the expiration of any grace period originally applicable thereto or any guarantee of any loan, debt or other moneys given by the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary shall not be honoured when due and called upon; or

- (iv) if any order is made by any competent court or resolution passed for the winding up, liquidation or dissolution of the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary save either (a) for the purposes of reorganisation on terms approved by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Noteholders or (b) in the case of a Material Subsidiary, a solvent winding up where all (or substantially all) of the assets of such Material Subsidiary are vested in the Issuer, the Guarantor or another Material Subsidiary or (c) in the case of the Issuer or the Guarantor in connection with a reorganisation under which the continuing entity effectively assumes all the rights and obligations of the Issuer or (as the case may be) the Guarantor; or
- (v) the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary is or is deemed unable to pay its debts pursuant to or for the purposes of any applicable law in its jurisdiction of incorporation or is adjudicated bankrupt, is granted a suspension of payments (*surséance van betaling*) or becomes subject to special measures within the meaning of Section 3.5.5 of the Netherlands Financial Markets Supervision Act (*Wet op het financieel toezicht*); or
- (vi) if:
 - (A) the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary ceases to carry on the whole or substantially the whole of its business except for the purposes of any demerger, merger, consolidation or reconstruction in the case where either (a) prior consent thereto has been given by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Noteholders, or, in the case of the Issuer, (b) the surviving or resulting company assumes all of the rights and obligations of the Issuer with respect to the Notes, or, in the case of any Material Subsidiary, (c) another Material Subsidiary takes over that part of the business which such initial Material Subsidiary ceases to carry on. For the avoidance of doubt, the disposal of N.V. Nuon Energy by the Guarantor will not constitute an Event of Default; or
 - (B) the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary stops or threatens to stop payment of, or is unable to, or admits inability to, pay, its debts (or any class of its debts) as they fall due; or
- (vii) if:
 - (A) proceedings are initiated against the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary under any applicable bankruptcy, liquidation, insolvency, composition, reorganisation or other similar laws; or
 - (B) an application is made for the appointment of an administrative or other receiver, manager, administrator or other similar official, or an administrative or other receiver, manager, administrator or other similar official is appointed, in relation to the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary or, as the case may be, in relation to the whole or a material part of the undertaking or assets of any of them; or
 - (C) an encumbrancer takes possession of the whole or a material part of the undertaking or assets of the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary; or
 - (D) a distress, execution, attachment, sequestration or other process is levied, enforced upon, sued out or put in force against the whole or a material part of the undertaking or assets of any of the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary,

and in any case (other than the appointment of an administrator) is not discharged within 30 days; or

- (viii) if the Issuer, the Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary initiates or consents to judicial proceedings relating to itself under any applicable bankruptcy, liquidation, insolvency, composition, reorganisation or other similar laws or makes a conveyance or assignment for the benefit of, or enters into any composition or other arrangement with, its creditors generally (or any class of its creditors) or any meeting is convened to consider a proposal

for an arrangement or composition with its creditors generally (or any class of its creditors); or

- (ix) the guarantee of the Notes under the Guarantee is not in full force and effect,

then any Noteholder may, by written notice to the Issuer and the Guarantor at the specified office of the Agent, effective upon the date of receipt thereof by the Agent, declare the Note held by the holder to be forthwith due and payable whereupon the same shall become forthwith due and payable at the Early Redemption Amount (as described in Condition 7(e)), together with accrued interest (if any) to the date of repayment, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind.

For the purposes of these Conditions:

“Auditors” means PricewaterhouseCoopers Accountants N.V. or, in the event of their being unable or unwilling to carry out any action requested of them, such other reputable firm of international accountants as may be nominated by the Issuer and the Guarantor;

“Group” means the Guarantor and its Subsidiaries from time to time;

“Indebtedness” means any indebtedness of any Person for money borrowed or raised including (without limitation) any indebtedness for or in respect of:

- (i) amounts raised under any note purchase facility;
- (ii) the amount of any liability in respect of leases or hire purchase contracts which would, in accordance with applicable law and generally accepted accounting principles, be treated as finance or capital leases;
- (iii) the amount of any liability in respect of any purchase price for assets or services the payment of which is contractually deferred for a period in excess of 90 days; and
- (iv) amounts raised under any transaction (including, without limitation, any forward sale or purchase agreement) having the commercial effect of a borrowing;

“Material Subsidiary” means, at any time, any Subsidiary of the Guarantor whose net turnover (consolidated in the case of a company which itself has Subsidiaries) represents not less than 10 per cent. of the consolidated total net turnover of the Group taken as a whole, as calculated by reference to the then most recent financial statements (consolidated or, as the case may be, unconsolidated) of such Subsidiary and the then most recent consolidated financial statements of the Group but if a Subsidiary has been acquired since the date as at which the then most recent consolidated financial statements of the Group were prepared, the financial statements shall be adjusted in order to take into account the acquisition of that Subsidiary (that adjustment being certified by a director of the Guarantor as representing an accurate reflection of the revised net turnover of the Group); and

“Subsidiary” means, in relation to any company or corporation, a company or corporation:

- (a) which is controlled, directly or indirectly, by the first mentioned company or corporation;
- (b) more than half the issued share capital of which is beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by the first mentioned company or corporation; or
- (c) which is a Subsidiary of another Subsidiary of the first mentioned company or corporation;

and for this purpose, a company or corporation shall be treated as being controlled by another if that other company or corporation is able to direct its affairs and/or to control the composition of its board of directors or equivalent body.

A report by a director of the Guarantor that in his opinion a subsidiary is or is not a Material Subsidiary shall, in the absence of manifest error, be conclusive and binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders. Such report may, if requested, be accompanied by a report from the Auditors addressed to the Directors of the Issuer and the Guarantor as to proper extraction of figures used by the Directors of the Guarantor in determining a Material Subsidiary as to mathematical accuracy of the calculations.

11. Replacement of Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons

Should any Note, Receipt, Coupon or Talon be lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be

replaced at the specified office of the Agent upon payment by the claimant of such costs and expenses as may be incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Notes, Receipts, Coupons or Talons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

12. Agent and Paying Agents

The names of the initial Agent and the other initial Paying Agents and their initial specified offices are set out below.

The Issuer and the Guarantor are entitled to vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent and/or appoint additional or other Paying Agents and/or approve any change in the specified office through which any Paying Agent acts, provided that:

- (i) so long as the Notes are admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation by any listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system, there will at all times be a Paying Agent with a specified office in such place as may be required by the rules and regulations of the relevant listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system;
- (ii) there will at all times be a Paying Agent in a jurisdiction within continental Europe, other than the jurisdiction in which the Issuer or the Guarantor is incorporated;
- (iii) there will at all times be an Agent; and
- (iv) there will at all times be a Paying Agent in a Member State of the European Union that will not be obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive.

In addition, the Issuer and the Guarantor shall forthwith appoint a Paying Agent having a specified office in New York City in the circumstances described in the final paragraph of Condition 6(b)

Any variation, termination, appointment or change shall only take effect (other than in the case of insolvency, when it shall be of immediate effect) after not less than 30 nor more than 45 days' prior notice thereof shall have been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14.

In acting under the Agency Agreement, the Paying Agents act solely as agents of the Issuer and the Guarantor and do not assume any obligation to, or relationship of agency or trust with, any Noteholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders. The Agency Agreement contains provisions permitting any entity into which any Paying Agent is merged or converted or with which it is consolidated or to which it transfers all or substantially all of its assets to become the successor paying agent.

13. Exchange of Talons

On and after the Interest Payment Date on which the final Coupon comprised in any Coupon sheet matures, the Talon (if any) forming part of such Coupon sheet may be surrendered at the specified office of the Agent or any other Paying Agent in exchange for a further Coupon sheet including (if such further Coupon sheet does not include Coupons to (and including) the final date for the payment of interest due in respect of the Note to which it appertains) a further Talon, subject to the provisions of Condition 9. Each Talon shall, for the purposes of these Terms and Conditions, be deemed to mature on the Interest Payment Date on which the final Coupon comprised in the relative Coupon sheet matures.

14. Notices

All notices regarding the Notes shall be published (i) in at least one daily newspaper of wide circulation in the Netherlands and (ii) if and for so long as the Notes are listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext and the rules of that exchange so require, in the Daily Official List ("*Officiële Prijscourant*") of Euronext Amsterdam N.V. Any such notice will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication in all the newspapers in which such publication is required to be made.

Until such time as any definitive Notes are issued, there may (provided that, in the case of any publication required by a listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system, the rules of the listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system so permit), so long as the global Note(s) is or are held in its or their entirety on behalf of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, be substituted for publication in some or all of the newspapers referred to above, the delivery of the relevant notice to Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg for communication by them to the holders of the Notes. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given to the holders of the Notes on the seventh day after the day on which the said

notice was given to Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg.

Notices to be given by any holder of the Notes shall be in writing and given by lodging the same, together with the relative Note or Notes, with the Agent. Whilst any of the Notes are represented by a global Note, such notice may be given by any holder of a Note to the Agent through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, in such manner as the Agent and Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, may approve for this purpose.

15. Meetings of Noteholders, Modification and Waiver

The Agency Agreement contains provisions for convening meetings of the Noteholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the sanctioning by Extraordinary Resolution of a modification of the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons or certain provisions of the Agency Agreement. Such a meeting may be convened by the Issuer and the Guarantor (acting together) or Noteholders holding not less than five per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being remaining outstanding. The quorum at any such meeting for passing an Extraordinary Resolution is one or more persons holding or representing not less than 50 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned meeting one or more persons being or representing Noteholders whatever the nominal amount of the Notes so held or represented, except that at any meeting the business of which includes the modification of certain provisions of the Notes, Receipts or Coupons (including modifying the date of maturity of the Notes or any date for payment of interest thereon, reducing or cancelling the amount of principal or the rate of interest payable in respect of the Notes or altering the currency of payment of the Notes, Receipts or Coupons), the necessary quorum for passing an Extraordinary Resolution will be one or more persons holding or representing not less than two-thirds, or at any adjourned such meeting not less than one-third, in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. An Extraordinary Resolution passed at any meeting of the Noteholders shall be binding on all the Noteholders, whether or not they are present at the meeting, and on all Receiptholders and Couponholders.

The Agent, the Issuer and the Guarantor may agree, without the consent of the Noteholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders, to:

- (i) any modification (except as mentioned above) of the Agency Agreement which is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders; or
- (ii) any modification of the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons, the Agency Agreement or the Guarantee which is of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a manifest error or to comply with mandatory provisions of Netherlands law.

Any such modification shall be binding on the Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders and any such modification shall be notified to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14 as soon as practicable thereafter.

16. Further Issues

The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of the Noteholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders to create and issue further notes having terms and conditions the same as the Notes or the same in all respects save for the amount and date of the first payment of interest thereon and so that the same shall be consolidated and form a single Series with the outstanding Notes.

17. Substitution of the Issuer

- (a) The Issuer may, with the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders which will be deemed to have been given in respect of each issue of Notes on which no payment of principal or interest on any of the Notes is in default, be replaced and substituted by any directly or indirectly wholly owned subsidiary of the Guarantor (the “**Substituted Debtor**”) as principal debtor in respect of the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons provided that:

- (i) such documents shall be executed by the Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor 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 Substituted Debtor shall undertake in favour of each Noteholder and Couponholder to be bound by the Terms and Conditions of the Notes and the provisions of the Agency Agreement as fully as if the Substituted Debtor had been named in the Notes, and the relative Receipts and Coupons and the Agency Agreement as the principal debtor in respect of the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons in place of the Issuer and pursuant to which the Guarantor shall guarantee, which guarantee shall be unconditional and irrevocable, (the “**New Guarantee**”) in favour of each Noteholder and each holder of the relative Receipts and Coupons the payment of all sums (including any additional amounts payable pursuant to Condition 8) payable in respect of the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons;
- (ii) where the Substituted Debtor is incorporated, domiciled or resident for taxation purposes in a territory other than the Netherlands, the Documents shall contain a covenant and/or such other provisions as may be necessary to ensure that each Noteholder has the benefit of a covenant in terms corresponding to the provisions of Condition 8 with the substitution for the references to the Netherlands of references to the territory in which the Substituted Debtor is incorporated, domiciled and/or resident for taxation purposes. The Documents shall also contain a covenant by the Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor to indemnify and hold harmless each Noteholder and Couponholder against all liabilities, costs, charges and expenses, provided that insofar as the liabilities, costs, charges and expenses are taxes or duties, the same arise by reason of a law or regulation having legal effect or being in reasonable contemplation thereof on the date such substitution becomes effective, which may be incurred by or levied against such holder as a result of any substitution pursuant to this Condition and which would not have been so incurred or levied had such substitution not been made (and, without limiting the foregoing, such liabilities, costs, charges and expenses shall include any and all taxes or duties which are imposed on any such Noteholder or Couponholder by any political sub-division or taxing authority of any country in which such Noteholder or Couponholder resides or is subject to any such tax or duty and which would not have been so imposed had such substitution not been made);
- (iii) the Documents shall contain a warranty and representation by the Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor (a) that each of the Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor has obtained all necessary governmental and regulatory approvals and consents for such substitution and the performance of its obligations under the Documents, and that all such approvals and consents are in full force and effect and (b) that the obligations assumed by each of the Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor under the Documents are all valid and binding in accordance with their respective terms and enforceable by each Noteholder;
- (iv) each listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system which has admitted Notes to listing, trading and/or quotation thereon shall have confirmed that following the proposed substitution of the Substituted Debtor the admission to listing, trading and/or quotation of such Notes would be maintained by such listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system;
- (v) the Substituted Debtor shall have delivered to the Agent or procured the delivery to the Agent of a legal opinion from a leading firm of local lawyers acting for the Substituted Debtor to the effect that the Documents constitute legal, valid and binding obligations of the Substituted Debtor, such opinion to be dated not more than three days prior to the date of substitution of the Substituted Debtor for the Issuer and to be available for inspection by Noteholders and Couponholders at the specified office of the Agent; and

- (vi) the Issuer and the Guarantor shall have delivered to the Agent or procured the delivery to the Agent of a legal opinion from a leading firm of Dutch lawyers acting for the Issuer and the Guarantor to the effect that the Documents (including the New Guarantee) constitute legal, valid and binding obligations of the Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor under Dutch law, such opinion to be dated not more than three days prior to the date of substitution of the Substituted Debtor for the Issuer and to be available for inspection by Noteholders and Couponholders at the specified office of the Agent.
- (b) In connection with any substitution effected pursuant to this Condition, none of the Issuer, the Guarantor nor the Substituted Debtor need have any regard to the consequences of any such substitution for individual Noteholders or Couponholders resulting from their being for any purpose domiciled or resident in, or otherwise connected with, or subject to the jurisdiction of, any particular territory and no Noteholder or Couponholder, except as provided in Condition 17(a)(ii), shall be entitled to claim from the Issuer or any Substituted Debtor under the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax or other consequences arising from such substitution.
- (c) Upon the execution of the Documents as referred to in paragraph (a) above, and subject to the notice referred to in paragraph (e) below having been given the Substituted Debtor shall be deemed to be named in the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons as the principal debtor in place of the Issuer and the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons shall thereupon be deemed to be amended to give effect to the substitution. The execution of the Documents shall operate to release the Issuer as issuer from all of its obligations as principal debtor in respect of the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons save that any claims under the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons prior to release shall enure for the benefit of Noteholders and Couponholders.
- (d) The Documents shall be deposited with and held by the Agent for so long as any Notes or Coupons remain outstanding and for so long as any claim made against the Substituted Debtor by any Noteholder or Couponholder in relation to the Notes or the relative Receipts and Coupons or the Documents shall not have been finally adjudicated, settled or discharged. The Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor shall acknowledge in the Documents the right of every Noteholder and Couponholder to the production of the Documents for the enforcement of any of the Notes or the relative Receipts and Coupons or the Documents.
- (e) Not later than 15 business days after the execution of the Documents, the Substituted Debtor shall give notice thereof to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14.

18. Governing Law and Submission to Jurisdiction

The Agency Agreement, the Guarantee, the Notes, the Receipts and the Coupons and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection therewith, are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of the Netherlands.

The Issuer submits for the exclusive benefit of the Dealers, the Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders to the jurisdiction of the Court of first instance (*rechtbank*) of Amsterdam, the Netherlands, judging in first instance, and its appellate courts. Without prejudice to the foregoing, the Issuer further irrevocably agrees that any suit, action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Dealer Agreement, Agency Agreement, the Guarantee, the Notes, the Receipts and the Coupons and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection therewith may be brought in any other court of competent jurisdiction.

USE OF PROCEEDS

The net proceeds from each issue of Notes will be on-lent by the Issuer to the Guarantor and will be used by the Guarantor for its general corporate purposes.

ALLIANDER FINANCE B.V.

Incorporation, Duration and Domicile

Alliander Finance B.V. (the “**Issuer**”) (formerly Nuon Finance B.V.), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Guarantor, was incorporated under Dutch law as a limited liability company (*besloten vennootschap met beperkte aansprakelijkheid*) in Amsterdam on 4 October 2001 for an unlimited period of time.

The Issuer has its registered office at Spaklerweg 20, 1096 BA Amsterdam, Postbus 41920, 1009 DC Amsterdam (phone number: +31 20 597 4166) and its corporate seat is in Arnhem. The Issuer is registered in the Commercial Register of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Amsterdam under No. 34162990.

The Issuer is in the process of moving its registered office to Utrechtseweg 68, 6812 AH Arnhem. The current principal place of business is also at Utrechtseweg 68, in Arnhem.

The Issuer's Articles of Association were last amended by notarial deed executed on 12 March 2009 before Karen Astrid Verkerk, civil law notary in Arnhem. The drafts of these articles received the approval of the Minister of Justice, number BV 1176176.

Objects and Activities

The main objects of the Issuer are to assist the Guarantor and the Guarantor's subsidiaries and affiliates in raising funds in the international markets and to provide financial and investment services to such group companies.

Management

The management of the Issuer is conducted by a Management Board, which may consist of one or more members.

Members of the Management Board are elected by the general meeting of shareholders of the Issuer and may be recalled from this position at any time.

The Issuer may be legally represented by n.v. Nuon acting as director.

The current Management Board is composed of one member, being the Guarantor. (For details on the management of the Guarantor, please see page 65).

The address of the Guarantor is Spaklerweg 20, 1096 BA Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

General Meeting of the Shareholders

The annual general meeting of shareholders must be held in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, within 6 months following the end of each fiscal year. Each share is entitled to one vote.

Financial Statements and Distribution of Profits

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as endorsed by the European Union (EU).

The Issuer's fiscal year coincides with the calendar year. The annual general meeting of the shareholders determines the use of the annual surplus.

Recent Developments

There are no recent events particular to the Issuer, which are to a material extent relevant to the evaluation of its solvency.

Major Shareholder

The Issuer is wholly owned by the Guarantor.

Material Contracts

There are no material contracts that are not entered into in the ordinary course of business, which could result in any group member being under an obligation or entitlement that is material to the issuer's ability to meet its obligation to security holders in respect of the securities being issued.

Auditors report

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers Accountants N.V., issued unqualified auditors' reports for the years ended 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2007 in relation to Alliander Finance B.V. on 26 March 2009 and 19 May 2008 respectively.

For a better understanding of the Issuer's financial position and results and of the scope of the audit, the Balance Sheets and Statements of Income should be read in conjunction with the financial statements from which they have been derived and the auditors' reports thereon.

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SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION RELATING TO ALLIANDER FINANCE B.V.

BALANCE SHEET ALLIANDER FINANCE B.V

(Before profit appropriation)

	Year ended 31 December	
	2008	2007
	<i>(in thousands of euro)</i>	
ASSETS		
Non-current assets	10.258	4.822
Other receivables	4.302	-
Derivative financial instruments	2.785	1.232
Deferred tax assets	3.171	3.590
Current assets	795.367	850.585
Other receivables	-	513
Current account Nuon Group	795.322	849.773
Cash and cash equivalents	45	299
Total assets	805.625	855.407
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Shareholders' equity	8272	-2.897
Share capital	20	20
Share premium	6.000	
Other reserves	7.574	- 1.235
Hedging reserves	-9.266	-10.491
Result for the year	3.944	8.809
Long-term liabilities	795.417	788.929
Borrowings	795.417	788.929
Short-term liabilities	1.936	69.375
Borrowings	-	51.622
Trade and other payables	1.497	1.681
Debts to banks	439	-
Derivative financial instruments	-	16.072
Total equity and liabilities	805.625	855.407

STATEMENT OF INCOME OF ALLIANDER FINANCE B.V.

	Year 2008	Year 2007
		<i>(in thousands of euro)</i>
Finance Income	52.929	57.811
Exchange differences	9.332	13.014
Intercompany interest income	45.176	40.227
Fair value gain on derivatives	-1.579	4.570
Finance Cost		
Interest and similar cost	47.432	46.733
Net Finance Income	5.497	11.078
Operating Expenses		
External costs	91	10
Profit Before Taxation	5.406	11.068

Income tax benefit/(expense)	1.462	2.259
Profit After Taxation	3.944	8.809

CAPITALISATION AND INDEBTEDNESS OF ALLIANDER FINANCE B.V.

The authorised capital of the Issuer is Euro 100,000 divided into 1,000 ordinary shares of Euro 100 each, of which 200 are issued and fully paid up shares.

The following table shows the capitalisation and indebtedness of the Issuer as at 31 December 2008. There has been no material change in the capitalisation and indebtedness of the Issuer since 31 December 2008.

	As at 31 December 2008
	<i>(in thousands of euro)</i>
Long-term liabilities	795.417
Debts to banks	439
Current account Nuon group	-795.322
Total debt	534
Shareholder's equity	
Share capital and share premium	6.020
Other reserves	7.574
Hedging reserves	-9.266
Result for the year	3.944
Shareholders' equity	8.272
Total Capitalisation and Indebtedness	8.806

N.V. NUON

The figures contained in this description relate solely to the consolidated figures as mentioned in the annual report 2008 of n.v. Nuon.

Incorporation and shareholders

n.v. Nuon (the “**Guarantor**” or “**Nuon**”) was incorporated on 17 December 1998. Nuon is registered in the Amsterdam Chamber of Commerce under number 34108286. It is a limited liability corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands and has its registered office at Spaklerweg 20, 1096 BA Amsterdam, the Netherlands (phone +31-20-5974 4166).

Nuon's Articles of Association were last amended by notarial deed executed on 13 December 2006 before Mr. G.W.C. Visser, civil law notary in Amsterdam. The drafts of these articles received the approval of the Minister of Justice, number NV1055802. Nuon was formed through the merger of energy companies in the provinces of Noord-Holland, Zuid-Holland, Gelderland, Flevoland and Friesland. Nuon's shareholders comprise almost 80 public authorities, including the Province of Gelderland (44.68%), BV Houdstermaatschappij Falcon (Province of Friesland) (12.65%), Province of Noord Holland (9.16%), Municipality of Amsterdam (9.16%). These four largest shareholders have a controlling interest of 75.65%. The shareholders do not assume any responsibility for the debts of n.v. Nuon or its subsidiaries.

Profile Nuon group

Nuon is a Dutch energy company, serving more than three million consumers and organisations with over 10,000 employees in the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany. Nuon produces, transports and delivers electricity, gas, heating and cooling, and engages in energy trading in the major international markets. Nuon also supplies additional services and technological innovations to businesses and consumers. In doing so, Nuon aims to ensure a reliable, sustainable and affordable energy supply and to build a leading position in the field of sustainable entrepreneurship. One key objective is to achieve balanced growth for all Nuon's stakeholders: customers, employees, shareholders, the environment and society at large. Nuon always gears its actions to the central role that energy plays for the millions of homes and organisations that purchase its products and services.

With a turnover of EUR 6.1 billion in 2008, Nuon occupies a prominent position in the Dutch energy market. (Source: the Issuer's own claim based on information issued by its competitors). The shares are held by local and regional authorities.

As from 1 July 2008 Nuon organisationally separated the integrated energy company into a network company and a production and supply company. As from that date, both companies operate independently under a single financial holding company and under a joint Management Board and Supervisory Board.

Profile n.v. Nuon

n.v. Nuon is a financial holding company at the top of the Nuon group comprising, among others, the Production & Supply company, named N.V. Nuon Energy, the regulated broad grid operator, named Liander N.V., and the not regulated network company, named Alliander N.V. After the separation of the Production & Supply company N.V. Nuon Energy. (the unbundling), n.v. Nuon will merge with Alliander N.V., as receiving party, and will change subsequently its name into Alliander N.V.

Profile Production & Supply company

N.V. Nuon Energy, the production & supply company, consists of the segments Downstream and Midstream.

Downstream is responsible for the supply of electricity and gas and the supply of additional services and products, like the sale and installation of central heating boilers, isolation and security installations, to the business market as well as to the consumer market.

Midstream has a large variety of activities in the Dutch market such as:

- the purchase of fuels,

- the production of (sustainable) electricity in power plants stoked on gas, charcoal and biomass, besides the green production like wind, solar and hydro,
- the management and exploitation of energy-intensive industrial parks,
- the exploration and production activities in the field of natural gas,
- the trade of among others electricity, gas, oil, coal and CO₂-emission rights,
- the storage of gas and the extension of the storage capacity,
- the preparation and achievement of new means of energy production,
- the mitigation of market risks, and
- the delivery of heating and cooling.

Profile Network company

As a result of the Independent Network Operation Act (*Wet onafhankelijk netbeheer*, the “**WON**”) Continuum Netbeheer became the broad grid operator within Nuon’s network business as of 1 July 2008, and changed its name into Liander in mid-November 2008. Before the broad grid operator was established, Continuum outsourced some of its activities to other parts of Nuon. Now, however, these activities will be performed mainly by the grid operator itself. The network business will also perform other grid-related activities, including the designing, building and managing of public lighting and complex infrastructure facilities.

The Network group has more than 5,000 employees. The regional network operator Liander forms the heart of the new network company. Liander has 2.7 million customers. As a network operator Liander takes care of the connection and transport of gas and electricity in the provinces of Gelderland and Noord-Holland and in large parts of Flevoland, Friesland and Zuid-Holland and does so with a delivery reliability of 99.99 percent for both electricity and gas. Since 1 July 2008 Liander has ownership of the gas and electricity networks and carries out maintenance, expansion and innovation in those networks.

The grid is monitored and managed 24 hours a day via the Business Operations Centre in Arnhem. Liander also assists market participants with support tasks such as the collection and transmission of metering data and provides almost all customers with a metering service for both gas and electricity systems. Liander pursues an independent policy in relation to grid maintenance, replacement, renewal and expansion.

Besides Liander, the Network Operations group consists of:

- Liandon, specialised in the installation, realisation, conservation and management of complex energy infrastructure and metering services as well as in consultancy and advice. Liandon also maintains and manages its own 50 kV networks. Liandon has customers in the field of high-voltage power, such as TenneT, as well as customers with their own energy network, such as Agriport and Corus.
- Liandyn, operates in the public lighting market on the field of traffic control systems, safety in public spaces, lighting architecture (sustainable *and* aesthetic) and public lighting (‘smart lighting’). Liandyn is partner with and advisor to public planning departments, with regard to creating and improving the safety and mobility of society and traffic, and improving the quality of life.

Key Figures

Number of transformer electricity sites

High voltage distribution sites:	200
Mid-voltage transformer sites:	29.100

Number of gas sites

Gas receipt sites:	184
Pressure reduction sites:	155

District governors:	3.590
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Length electricity grid

Low voltage (230 / 400 Volt):	52.900 km
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Mid-voltage (3 to 20 kV):	39.700 km
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High voltage (50 kV):	2.100 km
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Total:	94.700 km
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Length gas grid

Low pressure (<0.2 bar):	30.800 km
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High pressure (0.2 to 16 bar):	6.100 km
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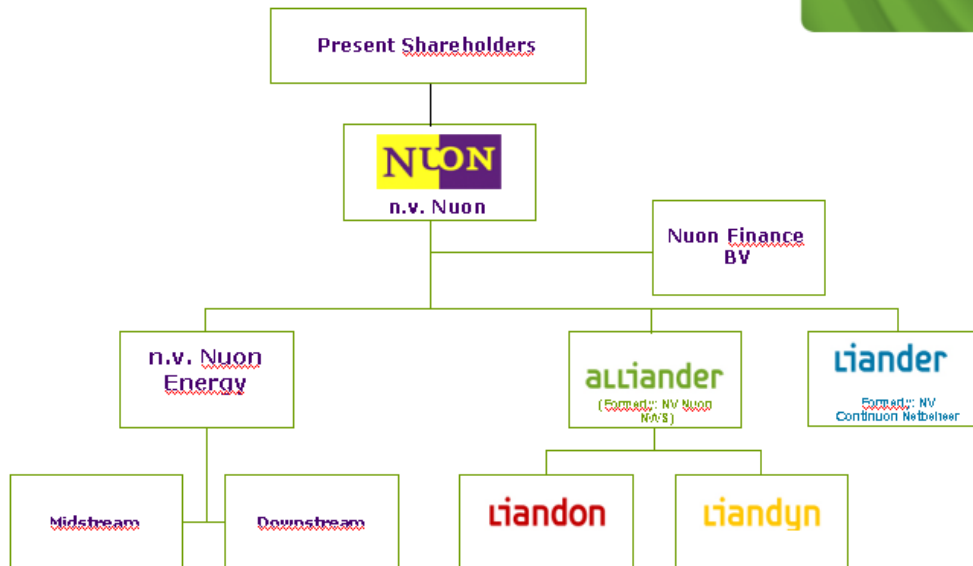
Total:	36.900 km
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The regulatory framework

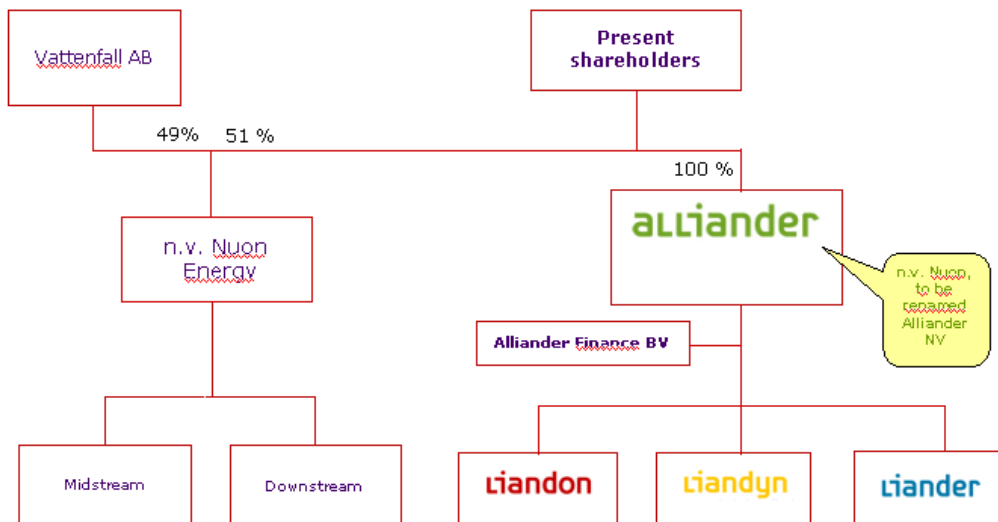
A substantial part of Nuon's activities is regulated. This concerns mainly the grid management operations, which have been placed within Liander, a company that operates independently from Nuon for regulatory purposes. Non-regulatory tasks have also been attributed to Liander. Energy supervision in the Netherlands has been entrusted to NMa/Energiekamer (Dutch Competition Authority/Energy Supervisory Body). In the past years, the supervision over Dutch business and industry, including the energy companies, has been intensified and the enforcement policy tightened up. It cannot be ruled out that the trend towards further regulation in the energy sector will continue, thereby putting pressure on the results of Nuon.

Unbundling

Present legal situation



After legal unbundling



As per effective of the legal unbundling it is envisaged that Alliander N.V. (formerly NWS) will merge into n.v. Nuon, which company will at that same moment will be renamed to Alliander N.V. Therefore it will remain the same top holding of the grid companies. The trade name Nuon goes to n.v. Nuon Energy.

As per the effective date of the legal unbundling all the shares of n.v. Nuon Energy will be transferred to the present shareholders of n.v. Nuon, and subsequently 49% will be sold to Vattenfall AB. At that time, n.v. Nuon and n.v. Nuon Energy will be solely independent sister companies.

The Independent Network Operation Act (*Wet onafhankelijk netbeheer*, the **WON**) was adopted in November 2006. The WON brought about changes in the Electricity and Gas Act. A Royal Decree on its effectuation followed in 2007. The main consequences are that Nuon has transferred the ownership of its electricity and gas networks to Continuon, the grid manager, as of 1 July 2008 and that Continuon carries out the majority of its regulatory duties itself (the organisation of the “broad” network manager). From the same date, Nuon has been making preparations to split itself up into a production and supply company and a

network company. The WON stipulates that the unbundling must be completed by 1 January 2011 at the latest. Until the time of unbundling n.v. Nuon will continue to exist as such. Due to the proposed partnership of the Nuon Energy companies with Vattenfall it is expected that the legal unbundling will take place on July 1st, 2009. Per this date of the legal unbundling all the shares of N.V. Nuon Energy will be transferred to the present shareholders of n.v. Nuon. At that time n.v. Nuon and N.V. Nuon Energy will be solely independent sister companies. Subsequently it is expected that 49% of the shares of N.V. Nuon Energy will be sold to Vattenfall AB. The proposed (partial) sale of the shares of N.V. Nuon Energy to Vattenfall will have no consequences on n.v. Nuon in respect of its ability to meet its obligations as Guarantor under the Programme. (see also the section titled "Recent Developments" below). Alliander N.V. will merge after the unbundling with n.v. Nuon and n.v. Nuon, as acquiring company, will change its name into Alliander N.V. Alliander N.V. will then be a holding company with 3 operational subsidiaries and one financial subsidiary (the Issuer). The guarantee granted by n.v. Nuon to the Issuer will remain in place without any change or amendment. Meanwhile the structure of the unbundled company has been determined and the management of both the production and supply company and the network company has been appointed. As of 1 July 2008 both companies operate independently under a single financial holding company and under a joint Management Board and Supervisory Board.

From mid-November 2008, Continuon Netbeheer commenced operating under the name Liander. The regional grid manager Liander constitutes the core of the network company that is to be called Alliander. Other operations comprised within Alliander are Liandon, which is dedicated to the construction and maintenance of complex energy infrastructures, and Liandyn (formerly Dynamicon), which is currently active in the market for public lightning. The production and supply company will continue to carry the trade name Nuon.

After assessing the possible steps, which the production and supply company could take to become an international player, the Management Board has decided, in consultation with the Supervisory Board and the shareholders, to opt for a structured form of cooperation with an international partner. Such a step is necessary in order to achieve a sound strategic position and solid growth in the European energy market, where the competition is becoming even more intense. A carefully chosen partner could increase the scale of operations and commercial strength of the production and supply company. In order to comply with the requirements of the unbundling, the legally required plan of unbundling has been offered to the Netherlands Competition Authority (*Nederlandse Mededingingsautoriteit*) in October 2008.

Apart from the above requirements, Nuon is obliged under the WON to transfer the high voltage grids of 110 kV and higher to the national grid manager TenneT as from 1 January 2008. To this end, TenneT has, in conformity with the provisions of the WON, designated itself as manager of these grids, with the exception of the part governed by a cross-border lease contract. In view of the complexity of the implementation and the need to safeguard security of supply, the transfer of the management to TenneT from 1 January 2008 took place in first instance by agreeing on a number of transitional measures with TenneT. Consultation is currently being held with TenneT with a view to achieving a definite arrangement for the implementation of the WON.

2008 at a glance

2008 will remain in history the year of the worldwide financial crisis. For Nuon it was also the year of organisational changes preparing for the unbundling as described above.

In the first quarter of 2008 Nuon signed a contract for the construction of the gas-fired part of the Nuon Magnum electricity power station, representing a value of over € 1 billion. Nuon Magnum is a multi-fuel power station of 1,300 MW, which is capable of providing over two million households with electricity. In due course this power station will be able to generate electricity from coal, gas and biomass. The first phase will be confined to the construction of the gas-fired power station. When completed, this station will be suitable for connection to a coal gasification installation that permits the large-scale gasification of coal and biomass combined with CO₂ capture. The construction has been delayed by the suspension of the licence under the Nature Conservancy Act by the Council of State for procedural reasons. After a ruling by the Counsel of State in December, four issues remain to be solved. It is expected that this will happen on short notice, after which the construction of the power plant will be resumed.

In addition, Nuon initiated the development of several projects including two efficient gas power stations at existing production locations in the province of North Holland, a gas-fired power station in Seneffe, Belgium and a gas-fired power station in Frankfurt am Main, Germany.

In early June, Nuon acquired 100% of the shares of Burlington Resources Nederland Petroleum B.V. from ConocoPhillips with retroactive effect to 1 January 2008. BRN, which is an exploration and production company, has a diversified portfolio of activities, including gas field development and gas production,

transportation and processing infrastructures.

Nuon has refinanced the committed revolving credit facility of € 1,500 million in November, one year ahead of maturity. Despite the tough market circumstances Nuon succeeded to renew the facility for a total amount of € 1,625 million, of which € 750 million is assigned as future facility to the production and supply company and € 875 million to the network company.

Business strategy Nuon Energy (the production and supply company)

The strategic course that Nuon is aiming during the coming years can be summarised in four ambitions:

- Results belonging to the top segment of comparable energy companies:
 1. Realizing above average turnover with new products
 2. Lowering costs by turning Nuon in a lean and efficiently lead organisation
- Remaining an integrated energy company with high ambitions for production as well as supply:
 1. Production: strengthening the position in production and “midstream” gas
 2. Supply: Growing from supplier to a reliable energy advisor to customers
- High ambitions for society and environment
 1. Striving to be CO₂-neutral on longer term. On short term, Nuon wants to be up front in testing and implementation of techniques to reduce CO₂.
 2. Remaining concerned to social programs
- People:
 1. To have the best persons who develop themselves and others work at Nuon.

Business strategy Alliander (the network company).

The network company distinguishes itself by taking the customer as the starting-point to all its activities. This explains the choices for a number of grid-related activities in the liberalised market, strengthening the core activities. The core activity is the management of electricity and gas grids. This provides the customer with a logical offer of products and services, lower costs, more expertise and possibilities to realise sustainable energy alternatives. This occurs within the boundaries of the law on independent network management.

In this context Alliander has the following ambitions:

- To be the best provider of services to its customers;
- In respect of its employees, to be an innovative and successful company, driven to work for a better society;
- To be a firm, social and economical responsible investment for its shareholders; and
- In respect of the supervisory body and the society, to be the natural partner in development and achievement of energy policy.

Financial Performance

The year 2008 was characterised by volatile market conditions. Nuon's results ended below those of the record year, which it had in 2007. The reported result, however, was negatively influenced by accounting effects arising from fair value movements. Higher expenses, mainly relating to the operational unbundling, also had an impact on the result. The trading results, by contrast, were higher than in the previous year.

The increase in the net turnover of EUR 5,650 million to EUR 6,147 million in 2008 was mainly attributable to higher gas income. The net turnover of electricity increased from EUR 2,857 million to EUR 2,905 million, notably due to sales in the business market and in Belgium. The net turnover of gas increased 21% to EUR 2,248 million (2007: EUR 1,860 million). This was strongly related to the contribution from the acquisition of gas fields in the North Sea, the doubled capacity for gas storage and the colder weather in 2008.

The reported net profit decreased this year by 13% to EUR 765 million compared to the record year of 2007 (EUR 875 million). This decrease was mainly due to the lower fair value results, which arose from accounting effects, and will be results-neutral in due course. Nuon values part of the commodity contracts to cover the future need of energy to supply customers and the production of electricity at fair value. The price

decreases in the commodity markets in the second half of the year led to a decrease in the fair value results, as opposed to an increase in the first half of the year.

The operating results of network company Alliander remained stable. However, one-off expenses arising from the credit crisis dampened the result. This concerns the non-cash effect on an investment relating to a cross border lease.

Operating expenses from continuing operations

The operating expenses for 2008 amounted to €1,607 million, compared to €1,315 million in 2007. The personnel expenses increased to €696 million (2007: €641 million). This increase in expenses is partly the consequence of a higher level of activity in the Dutch consumer market and in Germany, consolidation of the newly acquired entity Rogro and general salary rises. The costs of hiring external personnel also increased and amounted to €249 million in 2008, compared to €176 million in 2007. This increase was mainly caused by activities relating to the unbundling, as well as an increase in the activities in the Network Company, including the roll-out of smart meters, and at Downstream, including installation activities. The other expenses increased to €662 million (2007: €498 million). Against lower costs due to cost control measures, there were higher marketing costs, higher costs relating to strategic processes, including the unbundling of Nuon into a network company and a production and supply company and the strategic partner project for the production and supply company, an increase in the costs relating to cross border leases, including costs of revaluation of an investment relating to a cross border lease contract connected with the credit crunch and the formation of a provision in this connection, and impairments on receivables.

Operating profit from continuing operations for 2008

The operating profit from continuing operations for 2008 decreased to €785 million (2007: €1.114 million), mainly due to higher operating expenses. Negative results from other fair value movements and lower production results compared to 2007 also had a dampening effect on the operating profit. On the other hand, the operating profit received a boost from the new gas exploration and production activities, and a higher margin on the gas storage than in 2007. The heating activities also made a higher contribution to the operating profit than in 2007.

Management of n.v. Nuon

Managing Board n.v. Nuon

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| – | Ø. Løseth | Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Chairman |
| – | D. Vierstra | Chief Financial Officer (CFO) |

Øystein Løseth

Øystein Løseth, who has the Norwegian nationality, has been chairman of the Management Board of n.v. Nuon since 23 April 2008. He is responsible for the overall corporate management.

In addition, as of 1 July 2008 he has joint responsibility for the activities of the production and supply company with Doede Vierstra. In this capacity he is specifically responsible for the corporate departments Communications, HRM & Safety, Internal Audit, General Counsel, External Affairs & Sustainability and Strategy.

In this capacity he is furthermore responsible for the activities in the area of production, sourcing and trading of energy, as well as for sales and marketing activities of gas and electricity in the Dutch, Belgian and German market. Also, he is responsible for the marketing, distribution and sales activities of heat and specifically for the coordination of several business units.

Career

Øystein joined Nuon in 2003. From 1 January 2006 he was a member of the Management Board of n.v. Nuon. He was responsible for the Production and Trade segment and for the activities in Belgium and Germany. From August 2003 he fulfilled the position of Managing Director Nuon Energy Sourcing.

Before Øystein joined Nuon, he worked for Statkraft in Norway. First as Managing Director responsible for setting up Statkraft Energy Europe in the Netherlands and Germany, and subsequently as Director of the

Strategy Division of Statkraft. In 2002, he was appointed to the Management Board of Statkraft as the member responsible for production and project development. Before his career at Statkraft, he worked at Naturkraft, Alliance Gas and Statoil.

Supervisory board memberships/other positions:

- Supervisory Board Member Sweco Grøner AS.
- Supervisory Board Member Eidsiva Produksjan AS
- Supervisory Board Member ENDEX European Energy Derivatives Exchange N.V.

Doede Vierstra

Doede Vierstra has been a member of the Management Board in the position of Chief Financial Officer (CFO) since 1 May 2006. He is responsible for directing the Guarantor's financial affairs.

In addition, as of 1 July 2008 Mr Vierstra has joint responsibility for the activities of the production and supply company with Øystein Løseth. In this capacity he is specifically responsible for the corporate departments Finance, Purchasing, Risk Management, Tax, Treasury, Information Technology and Shared Service Center/ Facilitair Bedrijf (facility services).

Also, he is responsible for the coordination of the activities for the network company, except for the activities that are carried out independently by Liander (Formerly Continuon Netbeheer). Mr Vierstra is a member of the Supervisory Board of Liander.

Career

Before Doede Vierstra joined Nuon he was Chief Financial Officer with Royal Wessanen N.V. and member of the Corporate Board of Management. Prior to his work with Wessanen he was Chief Financial Officer with Royal Friesland Foods NV and member of the Corporate Board of Management. In the period 1985-2000 Mr Vierstra fulfilled various financial and strategic management functions with Unilever N.V. in the Netherlands, Thailand, Denmark and England.

Supervisory board memberships/other positions:

- President WENb (employers' organisation for the energy, waste & environment and cable & telecom companies)
- Member of the Supervisory Board of Liander N.V.

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Supervisory Board n.v. Nuon

- W. Meijer (chairman)
- J.B. Irik (vice chairman)
- P. Bouw
- D.J. Haank
- A.M.C.A. Hooijmaijers
- L. Koopmans
- J.H. Schraven
- G. Ybema
- H. Zwarts

Additional functions/ commissionerships

W. Meijer

- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of N.V. Nederlandse Spoorwegen
- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Navomedia Holding B.V.
- Member of the Supervisory Board of TBI Holdings B.V.

J.B. Irik

- Member of the Supervisory Board of Crediam Holding N.V.

P. Bouw

- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of CSM N.V.
- Chairman of Supervisory Committee of Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
- Chairman of Supervisory Committee of VU Medisch Centrum
- Chairman DNB Bank Council

D.J. Haank

- Chairman of the Board of Directors of Springer Science
- Chairman of the Board of Directors of Business Media
- Member of the Supervisory Board of MSD Nederland B.V.

A.M.C.A. Hooijmaijers

- Chairman of the Advisory Council of CPH Medical B.V.
- Member of the advisory council of Bank ten Cate

L. Koopmans

- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Rabobank Nederland
- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Cordaris Holding N.V.

- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Siers Group Oldenzaal B.V.
- Member of the Supervisory Board of N.V. NOM
- Member of the Supervisory Board of Huntsman Holland B.V.
- Member of the Supervisory Board of Eureko B.V./Achmea Holding N.V.
- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Arriva Personenvervoer Nederland B.V.
- Member Supervisory Board of TNO
- Member Supervisory Board of Kiwa N.V.
- Chairman of the Board of Stichting TBI
- Member of the Board of Stichting Administratiekantoor Unilever N.V.
- Member of the Advisory council of UMCG

J.H. Schraven

- Former Chairman of VNO-NCW
- Non-executive Deputy Chairman of Corus Group plc
- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Corus Nederland B.V.
- Member of the Supervisory Board of Fortis Obam N.V.
- Member of the Supervisory Board of Oranje-Nassau Groep B.V.
- Chairman of Netherlands Standardisation Institute
- Chairman of the Supervisory Committee of the Erasmus Medical Center
- Chairman of the Board of Stichting Administratiekantoor Unilever N.V.

G. Ybema

- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Zorggroep Noorderbreedte
- Member of the Supervisory Board of ROC Friese Poort
- Chairman of the Advisory Institute for the Market
- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Fair Wear Foundation
- Chairman of the Consultative Body for the Frisian Language
- Associate of Boer & Croon
- Member of the Supervisory Board Arcadis NV
- Member of the Supervisory Board Cordis Europa N.V.

H. Zwarts

- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Raet Holding BV
- Chairman of the Dutch Trade Board
- Board Member of Trust offices of a number of Dutch companies
- Member of the Supervisory Board RON NV
- Member of the Supervisory Board NV Nederlandse Spoorwegen

No potential conflicts of interest exist between duties to the Issuer or the Guarantor of the persons on the Managing and Supervisory Boards, as listed above, and their private interests. There are no potential conflicts of interest between any of n.v. Nuon's duties to Alliander Finance BV in its capacity as managing director of the Issuer and its private duties or other duties.

Principal Subsidiaries of n.v. Nuon

N.V. Nuon Energy
Alliander Finance B.V.
n.v. Kema
n.v. NWB Holding
Alliander N.V.
Liander N.V.

Financial Statements and Distribution of Profits

The financial statements of the Guarantor have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as endorsed by the European Union (EU).

The Guarantor's fiscal year coincides with the calendar year. The annual general meeting of the shareholders determines the use of the annual surplus.

Major Shareholders

The four largest shareholders in the Guarantor are: Province of Gelderland (44.68%), BV Houdstermaatschappij Falcon (Province of Friesland) (12.65%), Province of Noord Holland (9.16%) and the municipality of Amsterdam (9.16%). The remainder is owned by approximately 55 smaller municipal shareholders.

Recent Developments

On 23 February 2009 Guarantor and Swedish Vattenfall announced that they will join forces to form a leading European energy company. Vattenfall has made an all cash offer of EUR 8.5 billion enterprise value for 100% of the shares of N.V. Nuon Energy, the production and supply company of the Guarantor, equating EUR 10.3 billion for the equity value of Nuon after 2008 dividends. Guarantor's grid companies Alliander N.V. and Liander N.V. are not included in this transaction. The partners have agreed that Vattenfall acquires initially 49% of the shares. The remaining 51% of the shares will be acquired in the coming six years under fixed terms. Both companies fully recognise and respect the regulatory aspects that are associated with the transaction including the finalisation of the process around the unbundling plan of the Guarantor by the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs. Also, the partnership requires merger control clearance by the European Commission.

The Guarantor and Vattenfall expect to complete the closing of this transaction in the second quarter of 2009.

Material Contracts

A brief summary of all material contracts that are not entered into in the ordinary course of the business of the Issuer or the Guarantor, which could result in the Issuer or the Guarantor (or any affiliate) being under an obligation or entitlement that is material to the ability of the Issuer or the Guarantor to meet their obligations to Noteholders in respect of the Notes issued.

Cross Border Leases

In the period from 1995 to 2000 Nuon subsidiaries entered for its network and power generation plants into US cross border leases (CBLs), amongst which lease in lease out transactions and lease and lease back transactions. There are 3 CBLs on generation assets and 6 CBLs on network assets. In the context of the Independent Network Operation Act (WON) and the preparations to the unbundling of the Nuon group, N.v. Nuon Infra Oost has subleased 2 heat networks to n.v. Nuon Warmte, being part of the Production and Supply company. This concerns 2 trusts which are part of a larger CBL of 8 trusts, which remains on the Network group side. As long as these leases are not terminated early (for example as a result of an event of default or an event of loss), none of the parties to these leases will in principle have any payment obligations which are not fully defeased by the deposits or other defeasance arrangements. During 2008 some

transactions have been terminated, including the cross border leases closed in 1998 regarding the gas grid of the formerly EWR.

There are contractual conditional and unconditional rights and obligations relating to the cross border leases. Within the framework of the obligations entered into security such as mortgage and pledge rights has been granted on some parts of the networks and on the power generation facilities. The total carrying value of these assets amounted to € 0.9 billion (2007: € 0.9 billion). At the end of 2008 a total of USD 4.2 billion (2007: USD 5.1 billion) was held on deposit with several financial institutions or invested in securities in connection with these transactions. Of this total, USD 3.7 billion relates to the network leases and USD 0.5 billion to the production facility leases. Since Nuon has no powers of disposal in respect of the majority of these assets and associated liabilities, these assets and liabilities are not regarded as assets and liabilities of Nuon and these amounts are therefore not recognized in the consolidated financial statements of Nuon. The assets over which Nuon has powers of disposal are recognised in the financial assets available for sale. The associated lease obligations are recognised in the finance lease payables.

At the end of 2008 the strip risk (the portion of the termination value, being the possible compensation payable by Nuon to the American counterparty in the event of premature termination of the transaction, which cannot be settled from the deposits and investments held for this purpose) for all transactions together USD 650 million, of which USD 603 million relates to the network leases and USD 47 million to the production leases. The maximum equity strip risk for all transactions together totalled USD 425 million, of which USD 378 million relates to the network leases and USD 47 million to the production facility leases. For a number of transactions regarding the network leases, security in the form of letters of credit was issued for the benefit of the investors concerned, amounting to USD 349 million (2007: USD 546million) to cover the equity strip risk. With respect to the production facility leases, no letters of credits were outstanding at the end of 2008 (2007: USD 72 million). The number and amount of the letters of credit issued for the network and production facility leases depend in part on the respective credit ratings of Nuon and its subsidiary Nuon Power Generation B.V. In the context of some credit facilities, a right of pledge in favour of the banks concerned has been established on the cash deposits held at those banks, to a total amount of USD 79 million as at year-end 2008 (2007: USD 149 million).

Auditors report

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers Accountants N.V. issued unqualified auditors' reports for the financial years ended 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2007 in relation to n.v. Nuon on 19 March 2009 and 25 March 2008 respectively.

For a better understanding of the Guarantor's financial position and results and of the scope of the audit, the Balance Sheets and Statements of Income should be read in conjunction with the financial statements from which they have been derived and the auditors' reports thereon.

SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION RELATING TO n.v. NUON

The following tables set out in summary form balance sheet and income statement information relating to n.v. Nuon. Such information is derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of n.v. Nuon as at and for the years ended 31 December 2008³ and 31 December 2007. Such financial statements and the accompanying notes, together with the reports of the auditors, are incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus. The financial information presented below should be read in conjunction with such financial statements, reports and the notes thereto.

³ The Financial statements for 2008 are expected to be adopted by n.v. Nuon's general meeting of shareholders on 23 April 2009.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
(Before income appropriation)

	Year ended 31 December	
	2008	2007
	<i>(in millions of euro)</i>	
ASSETS		
Fixed assets		
Intangible fixed assets	500	335
Tangible fixed assets		
Land and buildings	162	153
Power Stations	724	741
Networks	4284	4394
Other fixed assets and construction in progress	1799	784
	6.969	6.072
Financial fixed assets		
Investments in and loans to participating interests	140	136
Financial assets	276	115
Derivates	1.533	586
Deferred tax assets	643	560
	2.592	1.398
Current assets		
Stocks	114	107
Trade and other receivables	1.493	1.251
Derivates	1.595	734
Cash and cash equivalents	995	1.705
	4.197	3.796
Non-current assets held for sale	243	—
Total assets	14.501	11.601
LIABILITIES		
Shareholder's equity		
Share capital paid up and called up	684	684
Paid in surplus	671	671
Hedging reserve	320	2
Currency translation reserve	-4	-4
Other reserves	3.832	3.429
Retained earnings	765	875
Minority interests in the shareholders' equity of group companies	2	1
Total shareholders' equity	6.270	5.658
Long-term liabilities		
Provisions	272	305
Financial liabilities	1.176	1.174
Derivatives	1.153	422
Finance lease payables	157	94

Deferred income	1.524	1.498
Deferred tax liability	502	92
	<u>4.784</u>	<u>3.585</u>
Short-term liabilities		
Trade and other payables	1.163	864
Current income tax	244	204
Financial liabilities	45	138
Derivatives	1.403	669
Other liabilities	536	483
	<u>3.391</u>	<u>2.358</u>
Non-current liabilities associated with non-current assets held for sale	56	—
Total liabilities	<u>14.501</u>	<u>11.601</u>

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

	Year ended 31 December	
	2008	2007
	<i>(in millions of euro)</i>	
NET SALES		
– electricity	2.906	2.857
– gas	2.248	1.860
– heat, water and energy and other products	993	933
	<u>6.147</u>	<u>5.560</u>
Cost of sales	3.625	3.073
Gross margin	<u>2.522</u>	<u>2.577</u>
Other operating income	124	103
Gross margin and other operating income	<u>2.646</u>	<u>2.680</u>
Costs of work contracted out and other external expenses	249	176
Employee compensation and benefit expense	696	641
Amortisation and depreciation	411	363
Other operating expenses	663	499
Total operating expenses	<u>2.019</u>	<u>1.679</u>
Own work capitalised	158	113
Operating income	<u>785</u>	<u>1.114</u>
Interest and similar income	181	90
Interest and similar expenses	113	120
Share of results of associates and joint ventures after taxation	24	18
Income before taxes	<u>877</u>	<u>1.102</u>
Income tax expense	111	237
Profit after taxation from continued operations	<u>766</u>	<u>865</u>
Profit after taxation from discontinued operations	0	11
Profit after taxation	<u>766</u>	<u>876</u>
Profit after taxation attributable to minority interests	1	1
Profit after taxation attributable to n.v Nuon shareholders	<u>765</u>	<u>875</u>

CAPITALISATION AND INDEBTEDNESS OF n.v. NUON

The following table sets out the capitalisation and indebtedness of n.v. Nuon as at 31 December 2008 and 2007, and is derived from the consolidated financial statements of n.v. Nuon as at 31 December 2008. There has been no material change in the capitalisation and indebtedness of n.v. Nuon since 31 December 2008.

	As at 31 December 2008	As at 31 December 2007
<i>(in millions of euro)</i>		
Long-term debt		
Subordinated loans	169	175
Other long-term financial liabilities	1.164	1.093
Short-term debt	1.163	864
Total debt	2.496	2.132
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital paid up and called up	684	684
Paid in surplus	671	671
Hedging reserve	320	2
Currency translation reserve	-4	-4
Other reserves	3.832	3.429
Retained earnings	765	875
Minority interests in the shareholders' equity of group companies	2	1
Total shareholders' equity	6.270	5.658
TOTAL CAPITALISATION AND INDEBTEDNESS	8.766	7.790

The authorised capital of n.v. Nuon amounts to Euro 1.75 billion, divided into 350 million shares having a face value of Euro 5 each. At the end of 2008, 136,794,964 shares were in issue and fully paid up.

PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE UNBUNDLING OF n.v. NUON

Introduction

The following unaudited pro forma financial information and explanatory notes have been prepared to illustrate the financial impact of the legal unbundling of n.v. Nuon into a production & supply company (Nuon Energy) and a grid company (Alliander). This unbundling is in accordance with the Independent Network Operation Act (*Wet Onafhankelijk Netbeheer*, the WON). The WON provides that legal unbundling should be finalised by 1 January 2011 at the latest. As a result of the announced partnership between N.V. Nuon Energy and Vattenfall AB, n.v. Nuon aims to finalise the legal unbundling at the end of the second quarter of 2009.

As per 1 July 2008, Nuon was in a position to be unbundled. As from this date, both companies operated independently under a single financial holding company and under a joint Management Board and Supervisory Board. This change in governance has been reflected in the new segment information as of the third quarter of 2008.

The unaudited pro forma balance sheets of the unbundled companies illustrates the separated financial position of N.V. Nuon Energy and Alliander as at 31 December 2008, assuming that the unbundling occurred at 1 January 2008. In fact the ultimate legal unbundling on a shareholder level has not yet occurred but aforementioned restructuring under one financial holding took place during 2008. The unaudited pro forma income statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 illustrate the effects of the unbundling as if these had occurred at 1 January 2008, not taking into account the retrospective effect of certain changes during the year (refer to the assumptions set out below).

The unaudited pro forma balance sheets and income statements as of and for the year ended 31 December 2008 are based on the consolidated balance sheet as of 31 December 2008 and the consolidated income statement for the year ended 31 December 2008 of n.v. Nuon, adjusted as explained further in the explanatory notes below.

The unaudited pro forma financial information should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of n.v. Nuon for the year ended 31 December 2008, including the notes thereto, that have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union, as well as the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 of n.v. Nuon. These financial statements have been incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus.

The unaudited pro forma financial information is included for illustrative purposes only. Because of its nature, the unaudited pro forma financial information addresses a hypothetical situation and, therefore, does not represent the actual financial positions and results of the unbundled companies. n.v. Nuon does not claim or represent that the unaudited pro forma financial information is indicative of the financial position and results that would have been achieved had the legal unbundling of n.v. Nuon taken place as of the date indicated or that may be achieved in the future. There can be no assurance that the assumptions used in the preparations of the unaudited pro forma financial information will prove to be correct.

Financial information

Unaudited pro forma balance sheets as at 31 December 2008

The following table contains the unaudited pro forma balance sheet of N.V. Nuon Energy and Alliander as at 31 December 2008.

Amounts in EUR million	n.v Nuon 31-dec-08 Audited	N.V. Nuon Energy 31-dec-08 Pro forma	Alliander N.V. 31-dec-08 Pro forma	Adjustments Pro forma
ASSETS				
Intangible assets	500	290	210	0
Property, plant and equipment	6.969	2.497	4.472	0
Deferred tax assets	643	140	503	0
Derivatives	1.533	1.533	0	0
Other non-current assets	416	109	307	0
Non-current assets	10.061	4.569	5.492	0
Inventories	114	92	22	0
Trade and other receivables	1.493	1.226	267	0
Derivatives	1.595	1.590	5	0
Current account group	0	1.435	0	1.435
Cash and cash equivalents	995	763	232	0
Current assets	4.197	5.106	526	1.435
Non-current assets held for sale	243	0	243	0
Total assets	14.501	9.675	6.261	1.435
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES				
Shareholders' equity				
before result of the year	5.505	4.085	1.420	0
Result of the year	765	495	270	0
Shareholders' equity	6.270	4.580	1.690	0
Interest-bearing debt	1.176	188	988	0
Derivatives	1.153	1.035	118	0
Deferred income	1.524	139	1385	0
Deferred tax liabilities	502	502	0	0
Provision for employee benefits	97	38	59	0
Other non-current liabilities	332	150	182	0
Non-current liabilities	4.784	2.052	2.732	0
Interest-bearing debt	45	27	1.453	1.435
Trade and other payables	1.163	1.078	85	0
Derivatives	1.403	1.403	0	0
Current account group	0	0	0	0
Other current liabilities	780	535	245	0
Current liabilities	3.391	3.043	1.783	1.435
Total liabilities	8.175	5.095	4.515	1.435
Non-current liabilities associated with non-current	56	0	56	0
Total equity and liabilities	14.501	9.675	6.261	1.435

The figures at 31 December 2008 have been derived from the audited financial statements of n.v Nuon, based on the managerial structure within n.v. Nuon

Unaudited pro forma income statements for the year ended 31 December 2008

The following table contains the unaudited pro forma income statement of N.V. Nuon Energy and Alliander as at 31 December 2008.

Amounts in EUR million	n.v Nuon 31-dec-08 Audited	N.V. Nuon Energy 31-dec-08 Pro forma	Alliander N.V. 31-dec-08 Pro forma	Adjustments
Net turnover + other operating income	6.271	4.973	1.700	-402
Costs of energy, raw materials and supplies	3.625	3.405	447	-227
Operating expenses	1.607	1.031	751	-175
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment	412	188	224	
Less: own work capitalised	-158	-52	-106	
Total operating expenses	5.486	4.572	1.316	-402
Operating profit	785	401	384	0
Financial income and expenses	68	108	-40	
Share in results from associates and joint venture:	24	19	5	
Profit before taxation	877	528	349	0
Taxation	111	32	79	
Profit after taxation	766	496	270	0
Of which:				
Profit after taxation attributable to minority interest	1	1		
Profit after taxation attributable to shareholders	765	495	270	0
Earnings per share:				
Basic	5.59	N/A	N/A	
Diluted	5.59	N/A	N/A	

The figures for the year ended 31 December 2008 have been derived from the audited financial statements of n.v Nuon, based on the managerial structure within n.v. Nuon.

Basis for preparation

According to the WON (please refer to "Introduction"), the unbundling of n.v. Nuon as an integrated company must be completed before 1 January 2011 at the latest. Due to the proposed transaction in respect of N.V. Nuon Energy it is expected that the legal unbundling will take place prior to 1 July 2009. In anticipation to this legal unbundling, Alliander plans to issue Notes under the Programme for funding purposes. The unaudited pro forma segmented balance sheets and income statements have been prepared and included in the Base Prospectus in order to illustrate the potential financial implications of the unbundling to potential investors in the Notes. For more information on the unbundling, refer to the information under the heading "Unbundling" in the section titled "n.v. Nuon" above.

The unaudited pro forma segmented financial information has been prepared on a basis that is consistent with the accounting policies as applied by n.v. Nuon in preparing its audited financial statements for the year-ended 31 December 2008 and its audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008.

Pro forma assumptions

General

n.v Nuon prepared its consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS as endorsed by the European Union. For the purpose of preparing the unaudited pro forma financial information the managerial reporting structure within n.v. Nuon was used. Further, some adjustments were made in order to achieve the situation that all balance sheet and profit and loss items relates to the correct segment. These adjustments include:

- Nuon Germany: This company is at this moment a legal subsidiary of Alliander and has to be transferred to N.V. Nuon Energy prior to legal unbundling. In the pro forma figures the balance sheet items and profit and loss items are already allocated to N.V. Nuon Energy.

In preparing the pro forma financial income statements as if the company had been unbundled per 1 January 2008, the results for the year as included in the n.v. Nuon consolidated accounts for 2008 have been allocated to either N.V. Nuon Energy or Alliander based on the timing of restructuring, e.g. not retrospectively to 1 January 2008. As a consequence, no additional adjustments on the results were processed to reflect a situation had the internal unbundling in fact been completed per 1 January 2008. This includes, but is not restricted to the internal charges between service units (based on revised service level agreements), the allocation of employee benefit provisions and interest on certain loans.

Intercompany adjustments

These adjustments relate to intercompany receivables and liabilities, as well as turnover and costs. These intercompany transactions were eliminated in the consolidation of n.v. Nuon, but due to the unbundling this elimination should be reversed to show the stand alone balances and income/costs.

Amounts in EUR million	Pro forma adjustments (unaudited)
BALANCE SHEET	
Current account group – assets	1.435
Current account group – liabilities	1.435
INCOME STATEMENT	
Net turnover + other operating income	-402
Costs of energy, raw materials and supplies	-227
Operating expenses	-175

Other pro forma adjustments

The other pro forma adjustments relate to the future external financing of the current account (liability) with N.V. Nuon Energy. During 2008 the interest on the current account amounted to 5.0%. As n.v. Nuon is of the opinion that the external loan will have approximately the same interest percentage, n.v. Nuon has not made pro forma adjustments to the profit-and-loss account.

Amounts in EUR million	Pro forma adjustments (unaudited)
BALANCE SHEET	
Long-term interest-bearing debt	1.435
Current account group – liabilities	1.435

The pro forma adjustments in respect of the balance sheet illustrate the effects of the segmentation as if it was completed on 1 January 2008.

The pro forma adjustments in respect of the income statement illustrate the effects of the segmentation as if this had occurred per 1 January 2008.

Assurance report from PricewaterhouseCoopers

"To the Board of Directors of n.v. Nuon and
the Directors of Alliander Finance B.V.

Assurance report

Introduction

We report on the pro forma financial information as set out in chapter "Pro forma financial information relating to the legal unbundling of n.v. Nuon" as included in this Base Prospectus. The pro forma financial information has been compiled on the basis as described in part headed "Basis for preparation", for illustrative purposes only, to provide information about how the legal unbundling of n.v. Nuon into a production & supply company (Nuon Energy) and a grid company (Alliander) might have affected the financial position, assuming that the legal unbundling of n.v. Nuon occurred at 1 January 2008 and to provide information about how the legal unbundling of n.v. Nuon might have affected the results assuming that the legal unbundling of n.v. Nuon occurred at 1 January 2008.

The Board of Directors of n.v. Nuon and the Directors of Alliander Finance B.V. are responsible for the compilation of the unaudited pro forma financial information in accordance with the requirements of EU Regulation 2004-809. Our responsibility is to provide a conclusion as required by Annex II item 7 of EU Regulation 2004-809, as to the proper compilation of the pro forma financial information. We are not responsible for drawing any other conclusion on the pro forma financial information or on any of its constituent elements.

Scope

We conducted our work in accordance with Dutch Law, including Standard 3000 'Assurance Engagements other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information'. The work that we performed for the purpose of making this report, which involved no independent examination of any of the underlying financial information, including the pro forma assumptions stated in the pro forma notes, consisted primarily of comparing the unadjusted financial information with the source documents, considering the evidence supporting the pro forma adjustments and discussing the pro forma financial information with the Board of Directors of n.v. Nuon and the Directors of Alliander Finance B.V.

We planned and performed our work so as to obtain the information and explanations we considered necessary in order to provide us with reasonable assurance that the pro forma financial information has been properly compiled on the basis stated and that such basis is consistent with the accounting policies as applied by n.v. Nuon in preparing its financial statements for the year-ended 31 December 2008.

We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our conclusion.

Conclusion

Based on our work, we conclude that:

- a) the pro forma financial information has been properly compiled on the basis stated in chapter " Pro forma financial information relating to the legal unbundling of n.v. Nuon" as included in this Base Prospectus; and
- b) such basis is consistent with the accounting policies as applied by n.v. Nuon in preparing its financial statements for the year-ended 31 December 2008 in part "Basis for preparation" of this Base Prospectus.

Emphasis of matter

We draw attention to the fact that, as outlined in part "Basis for preparation" of this Prospectus, this pro forma financial information is prepared by using the assumptions of the Board of Directors of n.v. Nuon and the Directors of Alliander Finance B.V. It addresses a hypothetical situation and is therefore not necessarily indicative of the effects on the financial position that would have been attained had the above-mentioned legal unbundling of n.v. Nuon, actually occurred earlier as described in part "Basis for preparation" of this Base Prospectus. Moreover, the pro forma financial information is not intended to, and does not, provide all the information and disclosures necessary to present a true and fair view in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union.

Other matters – restriction of use

The unaudited pro forma financial information and our assurance report thereon are intended solely for enclosure in the Base Prospectus and are not suitable for any other purpose.

Arnhem, 27 March 2009

PricewaterhouseCoopers Accountants N.V.

Drs. J. van Hoof RA"

THE 403 DECLARATION

403 Declaration

In addition to the Guarantee, the Guarantor has issued a further guarantee in respect of the debts of the Issuer, which is in the form of a declaration in terms of Article 2:403 and following of the Dutch Civil Code. A copy of the 403 Declaration can be obtained from the Trade Register of the Arnhem Chamber of Commerce.

The 403 Declaration constitutes a statement of joint and several liability governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of The Netherlands. The 403 Declaration is part of the Dutch company law provisions designed to enable subsidiaries of parent companies which publish consolidated annual accounts to obtain an exemption from the requirements to separately publish their own annual accounts. One of the conditions for obtaining such exemption is that a 403 Declaration is issued by the parent company and deposited with the Trade Register of the Chamber of Commerce in the place where the subsidiary is established. The statutory provisions relating to 403 Declarations are contained in Article 2:403 and following of the Dutch Civil Code. A 403 Declaration is an unqualified statement by the parent company that the parent company is jointly and severally liable with the subsidiary for the debts of the subsidiary. The 403 Declaration set out above constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Guarantor, enforceable in accordance with its terms. Thus, the effect of the issue and deposit by the Guarantor of its 403 Declaration is that the Guarantor and the Issuer have become jointly and severally liable for all debts of the Issuer arising from transactions entered into by the Issuer after the date of the deposit. The 403 Declaration accordingly constitutes a guarantee by the Guarantor for Notes issued by the Issuer. If the Issuer should default under the Notes, due to the 403 Declaration, holders concerned may claim against both or either of the Issuer and the Guarantor. The liability of the Guarantor under the 403 Declaration is unconditional and not limited in amount, nor is it limited to certain specific types of debt. Legal defences available to the Issuer against the holder concerned will likewise be available to the Guarantor.

TAXATION – NETHERLANDS

General

The following summary describes the principal Netherlands tax consequences of the acquisition, holding, settlement, redemption and disposal of the Notes, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all Netherlands tax considerations thereof. This summary is intended as general information only and each prospective investor should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Notes.

This summary is based on the tax legislation, published case law, treaties, regulations and published policy, in force as of the date of this Base Prospectus, though it does not take into account any developments or amendments thereof after that date whether or not such developments or amendments have retroactive effect.

This summary does not address the Netherlands tax consequences for:

- (i) holders of Notes holding a substantial interest (*aanmerkelijk belang*) in the Issuer. Generally speaking, a holder of Notes holds a substantial interest in the Issuer, if such holder of Notes, alone or, where such holder is an individual, together with his or her partner (statutory defined term) or certain other related persons, directly or indirectly, holds (1) an interest of 5 % or more of the total issued capital of the Issuer or of 5 % or more of the issued capital of a certain class of shares of the Issuer, (2) rights to acquire, directly or indirectly, such interest or (3) certain profit sharing rights in the Issuer;
- (ii) investment institutions (*fiscale beleggingsinstellingen*); and
- (iii) pension funds, exempt investment institutions (*vrijgestelde beleggingsinstellingen*) or other entities that are exempt from Netherlands corporate income tax.

Withholding tax

All payments made by the Issuer under the Notes may be made free of withholding or deduction for any taxes of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, withheld or assessed by the Netherlands or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein.

Corporate and individual income tax

- (a) Residents of the Netherlands

If a holder is resident or deemed to be resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes and is fully subject to Netherlands corporate income tax or is only subject to Netherlands corporate income tax in respect of its enterprise to which the Notes are attributable, income derived from the Notes and gains realised upon the redemption, settlement or disposal of the Notes are generally taxable in the Netherlands (up to a maximum rate of 25.5%).

If an individual holder is resident or deemed to be resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes (including the individual holder who has opted to be taxed as a resident of the Netherlands), income derived from the Notes and gains realised upon the redemption, settlement or disposal of the Notes are taxable at the progressive rates of the Netherlands income tax act 2001 (up to a maximum rate of 52%), if:

- (i) the holder has an enterprise (*ondernemer*) or an interest in an enterprise (*medegerechtigde*), to which enterprise the Notes are attributable; or

- (ii) such income or gains qualify as income from miscellaneous activities (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden*), which include the performance of activities with respect to the Notes that exceed regular, active portfolio management (*normaal, actief vermogensbeheer*).

If neither condition (i) nor condition (ii) applies to the holder of the Notes, taxable income with regard to the Notes must be determined on the basis of a deemed return on income from savings and investments (*sparen en beleggen*), rather than on the basis of income actually received or gains actually realised. This deemed return on income from savings and investments has been fixed at a rate of 4% of the average of the individual's yield basis (*rendementsgrondslag*) at the beginning of the calendar year and the individual's yield basis at the end of the calendar year, insofar as the average exceeds a certain threshold. The average of the individual's yield basis is determined as the fair market value of certain qualifying assets held by the holder of the Notes less the fair market value of certain qualifying liabilities on 1 January and 31 December, divided by two. The fair market value of the Notes will be included as an asset in the individual's yield basis. The deemed return on income from savings and investments of 4% will be taxed at a rate of 30 %.

(b) Non-residents of the Netherlands

If a holder is not a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes (nor has opted to be taxed as a resident of the Netherlands), such holder is not taxable in respect of income derived from the Notes and gains realised upon the settlement, redemption or disposal of the Notes, except:

- (i) if the holder is not an individual and such holder (1) has an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Notes are attributable, or (2) is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise or a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise, that is effectively managed in the Netherlands (other than by way of securities) and to which enterprise the Notes are attributable.

This income is subject to Netherlands corporate income tax up to a maximum rate of 25.5%.

- (ii) if the holder is an individual and such holder (1) has an enterprise or an interest in an enterprise that is in whole or in part carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Notes are attributable, or (2) realizes income or gains with respect to the Notes that qualify as income from miscellaneous activities in the Netherlands, which activities include the performance of activities in the Netherlands with respect to the Notes that exceed regular, active portfolio management, or (3) is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise that is effectively managed in the Netherlands (other than by way of securities or an employment contract) and to which enterprise the Notes are attributable.

Income derived from the Notes as specified under (1) and (2) by an individual is subject to individual income tax up to a maximum rate of 52%. Income derived from the Notes as specified under (3) will be taxed at a rate of 30 % over the 4% deemed return on income from savings and investments.

Gift and Inheritance taxes

(a) Residents of the Netherlands

Generally, gift and inheritance taxes will be due in the Netherlands in respect of the acquisition of the Notes by way of a gift by, or on the death of, a holder that is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and inheritance tax at the time of the gift or his or her death.

A holder of the Netherlands nationality is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift and inheritance tax, if he or she has been resident in the Netherlands during the ten years preceding the gift or his or her death. A holder of any other nationality is deemed to be a resident of the

Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift tax if he or she has been resident in the Netherlands at any time during the twelve months preceding the time of the gift. The same twelve-month rule may apply to entities that have transferred their seat of residence out of the Netherlands.

(b) Non-residents of the Netherlands

No gift or inheritance taxes will arise in the Netherlands in respect of the acquisition of the Notes by way of gift by or as a result of the death of a holder that is neither a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift and inheritance tax, unless:

- (i) such holder at the time of the gift, or at the time of his or her death, has an enterprise or an interest in an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands and to which permanent establishment or a permanent representative, the Notes are (deemed to be) attributable; or
- (ii) in the case of a gift of the Notes by a holder who at the date of the gift was neither a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands, such holder dies within 180 days after the date of the gift, while at the time of his or her death being a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands.

Value added tax

In general, no value added tax will arise in respect of payments in consideration for the issue of the Notes or in respect of the cash payment made under the Notes, or in respect of a transfer of Notes.

Other taxes and duties

No registration tax, customs duty, transfer tax, stamp duty or any other similar documentary tax or duty, will be payable in the Netherlands by a holder in respect of or in connection with the subscription, issue, placement, allotment, delivery or transfer of the Notes.

EU Savings Directive

Under EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income, Member States are required 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 or to certain limited types of entities established in that other Member State. However, for a transitional period, Belgium, Luxembourg and Austria are instead 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).

Also with effect from 1st July, 2005, a number of non-EU countries including Switzerland, and certain dependent or associated territories of certain Member States have agreed to adopt similar measures (either provision of information or transitional withholding) (a withholding system in the case of Switzerland) in relation to payments made by a person within its jurisdiction to, or collected by such a person for, an individual resident in a Member State. In addition, the Member States have entered into reciprocal provision of information or transitional withholding arrangements with certain of those dependent or associated territories in relation to payments made by a person in a Member State to, or collected by such a person for, an individual resident in one of those territories.

On 15 September 2008 the European Commission issued a report to the Council of the European Union on the operation of the Directive, which included the Commission's advice on the need for changes to the Directive. On 13 November 2008 the European Commission published a more detailed proposal for amendments to the Directive, which included a number of suggested changes. If any of those proposed

changes are made in relation to the Directive, they may amend or broaden the scope of the requirements described above.

SUBSCRIPTION AND SALE

The Dealers have in an amended and restated dealer agreement dated 27 March 2009 (the “**Dealer Agreement**”) agreed with the Issuer a basis upon which they or any of them may from time to time agree to purchase Notes. Any such agreement will extend to those matters stated under “Form of the Notes” and “Terms and Conditions of the Notes” above. In the Dealer Agreement, the Issuer and the Guarantor have agreed to reimburse the Dealers for certain of their expenses in connection with the establishment of the Programme and the issue of Notes under the Programme.

United States

The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except in certain transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by Regulation S under the Securities Act.

The Notes are subject to U.S. tax law requirements and may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or its possessions or to a United States person, except in certain transactions permitted by U.S. tax regulations. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder.

Each Dealer has represented and agreed and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that it will not offer, sell or deliver Notes of any Series (i) as part of their distribution at any time and (ii) otherwise until 40 days after the completion of the distribution of the Notes comprising the relevant Tranche, as determined and certified to the Agent or the Issuer by such Dealer (or, in the case of a sale of a Tranche of Notes to or through more than one Dealer, by each of such Dealers as to the Notes of such Tranche purchased by or through it, in which case the Agent or the Issuer shall notify each such Dealer when all such Dealers have so certified) within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons, and such Dealer will have sent to each dealer to which it sells Notes during the distribution compliance period relating thereto a confirmation or other notice setting forth the restriction on offers and sales of the Notes 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 Notes comprising any Tranche, an offer or sale of Notes within the United States by any dealer (whether or not participating in the offering) may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

Each issue of Index-Linked Notes and Dual Currency Notes shall be subject to such additional U.S. selling restrictions as the Issuer and the relevant Dealer may agree, as indicated in the applicable Final Terms.

Each relevant Dealer has agreed and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to agree that it will offer, sell or deliver such Notes only in compliance with such additional U.S. selling restrictions.

United Kingdom

Each Dealer has represented and agreed and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that:

- (i) **General Compliance:** it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (FSMA) with respect to anything done by it in relation to any Notes in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom; and
- (ii) **Financial promotion:** it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any 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 Notes in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer or the Guarantor.

Japan

The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law of Japan (Law No. 25 of 1948, as amended; “**FIEL**”) and each Dealer has represented and agreed and

each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree that, it will not offer or sell Notes, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, any resident of Japan (which terms 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 resale, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, a resident of Japan except pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of, and otherwise in compliance with, the FIEL and any other applicable laws and regulations of Japan.

The Netherlands / Global

Zero Coupon Notes (as defined below) in definitive form of the Issuer may only be transferred and accepted, directly or indirectly, within, from or into the Netherlands through the mediation of either the Issuer or a member firm of Euronext Amsterdam N.V. in full compliance with the Dutch Savings Certificates Act (*Wet inzake spaarbewijzen*) of 21 May 1985 (as amended) and its implementing regulations. No such mediation is required: (a) in respect of the transfer and acceptance of rights representing an interest in a Zero Coupon Note in global form, or (b) in respect of the initial issue of Zero Coupon Notes in definitive form to the first holders thereof, or (c) in respect of the transfer and acceptance of Zero Coupon Notes in definitive form between individuals not acting in the conduct of a business or profession, or (d) in respect of the transfer and acceptance of such Zero Coupon Notes within, from or into the Netherlands if all Zero Coupon Notes (either in definitive form or as rights representing an interest in a Zero Coupon Note in global form) of any particular Series are issued outside the Netherlands and are not distributed into the Netherlands in the course of initial distribution or immediately thereafter. As used herein “**Zero Coupon Notes**” are Notes that are in bearer form and that constitute a claim for a fixed sum against the Issuer and on which interest does not become due during their tenor or on which no interest is due whatsoever.

General

Each Dealer has agreed and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to agree that it will (to the best of its knowledge and belief) comply with all applicable securities laws and regulations in force in any jurisdiction in which it purchases, offers or sells Notes or possesses or distributes this Base Prospectus and will obtain any consent, approval or permission required by it for the purchase, offer, sale or delivery by it of Notes under the laws and regulations in force in any jurisdiction to which it is subject or in which it makes such purchases, offers or deliveries and the Issuer shall not have any responsibility therefor.

None of the Issuer, the Guarantor nor any of the Dealers represents that Notes may at any time lawfully be sold in compliance with any applicable registration or other requirements in any jurisdiction, or pursuant to any exemption available thereunder, or assumes any responsibility for facilitating such sale.

With regard to each Tranche, the relevant Dealer will be required to comply with any additional restrictions as the Issuer and the relevant Dealer shall agree and as shall be set out in the applicable Final Terms.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Authorisation

The establishment of the Programme and the issue of Notes under the Programme have been duly authorised by a resolution of the Management Board of the Issuer dated 3 December 2001 and by a resolution of the Supervisory Board of the Guarantor dated 8 June 2001. The giving of the guarantee contained in the Guarantee has been duly authorised by a resolution of the Management Board of the Guarantor dated 1 May 2001. All consents, approvals, authorisations or other orders of all regulatory authorities required by the Issuer and the Guarantor under the laws of the Netherlands have been given for the issue of Notes and for the Issuer to undertake and perform its obligations under the Dealer Agreement, the Agency Agreement and the Notes and for the Guarantor to undertake and perform its obligations under the Guarantee, the Dealer Agreement and the Agency Agreement.

The update of the Programme (including changing the maximum aggregate nominal amount from Euro 2,000,000,000 to Euro 3,000,000,000) and the issue of Notes have been duly authorised by a resolution of the Management Board of the Issuer dated 24 March 2009, and the Management Board of the Guarantor dated 24 March 2009.

Listing and admission to trading

Application has been made to Euronext Amsterdam N.V. for Notes issued under the Programme to be admitted to trading and to be listed on Euronext Amsterdam.

However, Notes may be issued pursuant to the Programme which will not be listed on Euronext Amsterdam or admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation by any other listing authority, exchange and/or quotation system or which will be admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation by such listing authority, exchange and/or quotation system as the Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s) may agree.

Documents Available

From the date hereof, so long as any of the Notes remains outstanding and throughout the life of the Programme, copies of the following documents will, when published, be available from the registered office of the Issuer and the Guarantor and from the specified offices of any Paying Agent or the specified office of the Amsterdam Listing Agent:

- (i) the Articles of Association of the Issuer and the Guarantor;
- (ii) the most recently published consolidated audited annual financial statements and any consolidated unaudited interim six monthly statements published subsequently to such annual financial statements of the Guarantor from time to time;
- (iii) the most recently published non consolidated financial statements of the Guarantor;
- (iv) the published consolidated audited financial statements of the Issuer for each financial year ending after the date of this Base Prospectus in respect of which audited financial statements have been prepared. The Issuer does not publish non consolidated financial statements or interim financial statements;
- (v) all supplements to this Base Prospectus circulated by the Issuer and the Guarantor from time to time in accordance with the undertaking given by the Issuer and the Guarantor in the Dealer Agreement (as defined in "Subscription and Sale" herein);
- (vi) the Dealer Agreement, the Agency Agreement (which contains the forms of the temporary and Permanent Global Notes, the Definitive Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons and the Talons) and the Guarantee;
- (vii) a copy of this Base Prospectus;
- (viii) any future information memoranda, offering circulars, prospectuses and supplements to this Base Prospectus and any other information incorporated herein or therein by reference; and
- (ix) the Final Terms for each Tranche of Notes which are admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation by any listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system.

Clearing and Settlement Systems

The Notes have been accepted for clearance through Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg. The appropriate common code and ISIN for each Tranche allocated by Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and any other relevant security code, will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Notes are to clear through an additional or alternative clearing system the appropriate information will be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

The address of Euroclear is Euroclear Bank SA/NV, 1 Boulevard du Roi Albert II, B-1210 Brussels, and the address of Clearstream, Luxembourg is Clearstream Banking, 42 Avenue JF Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg.

Significant or Material Change

There has been no material adverse change in the prospects of the Issuer or the Guarantor since 31 December 2008, nor has there been any significant change in the financial or trading position of the Guarantor and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, which has occurred since 31 December 2008.

Litigation

Neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor is or has been involved in any governmental, legal or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Issuer or the Guarantor is aware) during the 12 months preceding the date of this Base Prospectus which may have, or have had in the recent past, significant effects on the Issuer's or the Guarantor's financial position or profitability.

Auditors

The auditors of the Issuer and the Guarantor are PricewaterhouseCoopers Accountants N.V., Velperweg 35, 6824 BE Arnhem, the Netherlands, who have audited the accounts of the Issuer and the Guarantor for the financial years ended 31 December 2007 and 31 December 2008 in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices in the Netherlands. The individual auditors of Pricewaterhouse- Coopers Accountants N.V. are members of Royal NIVRA. The auditors of the Issuer and the Guarantor have no material interest in the Issuer and/or the Guarantor.

Post-issuance information

Neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor intends to provide any post-issuance information in relation to any issues of Notes.

Dealers transacting with the Issuer and the Guarantor

Certain of the Dealers and their affiliates have engaged, and may in the future engage, in investment banking and/or commercial banking transactions with, and may perform services to the Issuer, the Guarantor and their affiliates in the ordinary course of business.

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