



**Important Notice**  
**The Depository Trust Company**

<b>B #:</b>	0738-13
<b>Date:</b>	May 3, 2013
<b>To:</b>	All Participants
<b>Category:</b>	Dividends
<b>From:</b>	International Services
<b>Attention:</b>	Operations, Reorg & Dividend Managers, Partners & Cashiers
<b>Subject:</b>	<b><u>Tax Relief</u></b> – Country: Norway <b>DNB ASA CUSIP: 23328E106</b> <b><u>Record Date: 05/06/2013 Payable Date: TBD</u></b> <b><u>EDS Post Payable Cut-Off: 05/07/2013 8:00 P.M</u></b>
	<b><u>PLEASE NOTE: ONE DAY EDS WINDOW</u></b>

Participants can use DTC's Elective Dividend System (EDS) function over the Participant Terminal System (PTS) or Tax Relief option on the Participant Browser System (PBS) web site to certify all or a portion of their position entitled to the applicable withholding tax rate. Participants are urged to consult the PTS or PBS function TAXI or TaxInfo respectively before certifying their elections over PTS or PBS.

Important: Prior to certifying tax withholding elections, participants are urged to read, understand and comply with the information in the Legal Conditions category found on TAXI or TaxInfo in PTS or PBS respectively.

Questions regarding this Important Notice may be directed to GlobeTax 212-747-9100.

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**DNB ASA** has announced a cash dividend. J.P. MORGAN acts as the Depositary for the company's American Depositary Receipt ("ADR") program.

Participants can use DTC's Elective Dividend System (EDS) function over the Participant Terminal System (PTS) or TaxRelief option on the Participant Browser System (PBS) web site to certify all or a portion of their position entitled to the applicable withholding tax rate. Use of EDS will permit entitlement amounts to be paid through DTC.

On ADR Pay Date, all holders will have the opportunity to receive their full treaty benefits as outlined in the "Eligibility Matrix".

DIVIDEND EVENT DETAILS	
COUNTRY OF ISSUANCE	NORWAY
ISSUE	DNB ASA
CUSIP#	23328E106
DEPOSITARY	J.P. MORGAN
ADR RECORD DATE	MAY 6, 2013
ADR PAY DATE	TBD
ADR GROSS DIVIDEND RATE ON PAY DATE	TBD
ORD GROSS DIVIDEND RATE ON PAY DATE	NOK 2.10
RATIO	10 ORDs : 1 ADR
STATUTORY WHT RATE	25%

CHARGES & DEADLINES					
FILING METHOD	DESCRIPTION	PAYMENT METHOD	DEPOSITARY SERVICE CHARGE	MINIMUM SERVICE CHARGE PER BENEFICIAL OWNER	FINAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE (ALL TIMES EST)
AT SOURCE	EDS ELECTION	EDS	\$0.0035 per ADR	N/A	MAY 7, 2013; 8 PM
QUICK RECLAIM	EDS REVISION	CHECK	\$0.005 per ADR	N/A	JUNE 21, 2013; 5 PM
LONG-FORM	POST-EDS PROCESS; ON-GOING	CHECK	\$0.005 per ADR	\$25	OCTOBER 31, 2016; 5PM

## RELIEF AT SOURCE/ QUICK REFUND (“EDS”) ELIGIBILITY MATRIX

RATE DESCRIPTION	RECLAIM RATE	ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED
<b>UNFAVORABLE - 25%</b>	<b>0%</b>	1) Any shareholder not domiciled in a jurisdiction listed as having a double taxation treaty with Norway. 2) Charities, Pensions, RICs, Trust funds, and similar entities must elect at the unfavorable rate as they do not meet eligibility requirements to claim a refund.	NONE
<b>FAVORABLE - 15% (AT SOURCE)</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>Please See:</b> COUNTRIES WITH 15% WITH-HOLDING TAX TREATIES <b>(ALSO, SEE #2 ABOVE)</b>	NONE

PARTICIPATING IN RELIEF AT SOURCE IS WHOLLY VOLUNTARY AND DISCRETIONARY, HOWEVER, IT IS THE ONLY WAY TO OBTAIN THE REDUCED WITHHOLDING TAX RATE ON THE PAYABLE DATE.

## LONG FORM ELIGIBILITY MATRIX

RATE DESCRIPTION	RECLAIM RATE	ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED
<b>FAVORABLE - 15% (LONG FORM)</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>Please See:</b> COUNTRIES WITH 15% WITHHOLDING TAX TREATIES	1) CLAIM COVERLETTER 2) NORWEGIAN TAX RECLAIM LETTER 3) CERTIFICATE OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT 4) IRS FORM 6166 / CERTIFICATION OF RESIDENCY 5) PROOF OF SIGNING AUTHORIZATION (POA) 6) NON-INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONNAIRE* 7) PLAN DOCUMENTS* 8) ATTESTATION 9) RECLAIM DETAIL SPREADSHEET <b>* - FOR NON-INDIVIDUALS ONLY</b>
<b>EXEMPT - 0% (EEA COMPANIES) POST-PAY DATE LONG FORM ONLY</b>	<b>25%</b>	Norwegian public limited companies and other companies of the same standing who are the real beneficial owner. The tax exemption model also applies to foreign companies etc, of the same standing as Norwegian companies as mentioned in the provision, domiciled in an EEA country.	Please contact Brendan Jordan, with JP MORGAN / GlobeTax, for information regarding filing for the exempt rate for EEA companies via Long Form process.

## COUNTRIES WITH 15% WITHHOLDING TAX RATES (10% RECLAIM AMOUNT)

ALBANIA	GERMANY	PAKISTAN
ARGENTINA	GREENLAND	POLAND
AZERBAIJAN REPUBLIC	ICELAND	PORTUGAL
AUSTRALIA	INDONESIA	SERBIA
AUSTRIA	IRELAND	SINGAPORE
BANGLADESH	ISRAEL	SLOVAK REPUBLIC
BARBADOS	ITALY	SLOVENIA
BELGIUM	IVORY COAST	SOUTH AFRICA
BULGARIA	JAMAICA	SOUTH KOREA
CANADA	JAPAN	SPAIN
CHILE	KAZAKHSTAN	SRI LANKA
CHINA	LATVIA	SWEDEN
CROATIA	LITHUANIA	SWITZERLAND
CZECH REPUBLIC	LUXEMBOURG	THAILAND
DENMARK	MALTA	UGANDA
EGYPT	MEXICO	UKRAINE
ESTONIA	MOROCCO	UNITED KINGDOM
FAEROE ISLANDS	NEPAL	UNITED STATES
FINLAND	NETHERLAND ANTILLES	VIETNAM
FRANCE	NETHERLANDS	ZAMBIA
GAMBIA	NEW ZEALAND	

## DESCRIPTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTATION (QUICK & LONG FORM ONLY)

DOCUMENT NAME	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL / COPY	SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT
<b>EDS ADJUST LETTER</b>	<b>ONLY FOR QUICK FILING:</b> THIS LETTER LISTS BOTH THE ORIGINAL EDS ELECTION, AND THE REQUESTED POST EDS WINDOW ADJUSTED NUMBERS FOR THE QUICK REFUND. <b>(EXHIBIT A)</b>	ORIGINAL	DTC PARTICIPANT
<b>LONG FORM COVER LETTER</b>	COVERLETTER ON PARTICIPANT LETTERHEAD SUMMARIZING ENTIRE CLAIM: BENEFICIAL OWNERS, ADDRESSES, TAX IDs, & DS AMOUNTS, ETC. <b>(EXHIBIT B)</b>	ORIGINAL	DTC PARTICIPANT
<b>NORWEGIAN TAX RECLAIM LETTER</b>	LETTER TRANSFERRING INDIVIDUAL CLAIM TO JP MORGAN <b>(EXHIBIT C)</b>	ORIGINAL	DTC PARTICIPANT
<b>CERTIFICATE OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT</b>	DOCUMENT CERTIFYING THE DIVIDEND WAS PAID TO THE BENEFICIAL OWNER, LESS WITHHOLDING TAX. <b>(EXHIBIT D)</b>	ORIGINAL	DTC PARTICIPANT
<b>IRS FORM 6166 (U.S. ONLY)</b>	ISSUED BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, STATING THE NAME AND TAX PAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER. IT MUST BE ISSUED FOR THE TAX YEAR OF THE DIVIDEND EVENT.	ORIGINAL	IRS REPRESENTATIVE

## DESCRIPTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTATION (QUICK & LONG FORM ONLY) (CONTINUED)

RATE DESCRIPTION	RECLAIM RATE	ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED
<b>CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY (NON-U.S. TREATY COUNTRIES)</b>	A DOCUMENT CONFIRMING RESIDENCY OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER DOMICILED WITHIN A TREATY COUNTRY. THIS MUST BE SIGNED BY AND BEAR THE STAMP OR SEAL OF THE LOCAL TAX AUTHORITY	ORIGINAL	TAX AUTHORITY
<b>PROOF OF SIGNING AUTHORIZATION (POA)</b>	SIGNING AUTHORIZATION (OR POWER OF ATTORNEY) AUTHORIZING THE DTC PARTICIPANT'S ABILITY TO SIGN FOR THEIR BENEFICIAL OWNERS <b>(EXHIBIT E)</b>	ORIGINAL	DTC PARTICIPANT
<b>NON-INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONNAIRE</b>	QUESTIONNAIRE TO BE COMPLETED BY THE BENEFICIAL OWNER <b>(EXHIBIT F)</b>	COPY	N/A
<b>PLAN DOCUMENTS (NON-INDIVIDUALS ONLY)</b>	ANY DOCUMENT WHICH WOULD AID IN DEFINING THE LEGAL NATURE OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER IN THEIR COUNTRY OF DOMICILE.	COPY	N/A
<b>ATTESTATION</b>	BENEFICIAL OWNER CONFIRMATION AUTHORIZING A RECLAIM FOR THE SPECIFIC DIVIDEND <b>(EXHIBIT G)</b>	ORIGINAL	BENEFICIAL OWNER
<b>ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION LETTER</b>	ADDITIONAL SIGNING AUTHORIZATION, DIRECTLY FROM THE ULTIMATE BENEFICIAL OWNER. <b>(EXHIBIT H)</b>	ORIGINAL	BENEFICIAL OWNER
<b>RECLAIM DETAIL SPREADSHEET</b>	SPREADSHEET LISTING ALL DETAILS OF THE SPECIFIC RECLAIM <b>(EXHIBIT I)</b>	ORIGINAL	BENEFICIAL OWNER

## CONTACT DETAILS

PRIMARY CONTACT	BRENDAN JORDAN
DOMESTIC PHONE (U.S.)	1-800-929-5484
DOMESTIC FAX (U.S.)	1-800-929-9986
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INTERNATIONAL FAX	1-212-747-0029
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COMPANY	J.P. MORGAN / GLOBETAX
STREET ADDRESS	90 BROAD STREET 16 <sup>TH</sup> FLOOR
CITY/STATE/ZIP	NEW YORK, NY 10004
ADDITIONAL CONTACTS	CANDICE MEDENICA KASEY HARBES

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

### RELIEF AT SOURCE QUESTIONS

QUESTION	ANSWER
IS THERE A RELIEF AT SOURCE PROCESS FOR THIS EVENT?	YES, PLEASE ELECT FAVORABLE POSITON VIA EDS.
WHAT DOCUMENTATION DO I NEED TO SUBMIT TO JP MORGAN / GLOBETAX TO RECEIVE THE FAVORABLE RATE VIA EDS?	NONE.
IS THE RELIEF AT SOURCE PROCESS FREE OF CHARGE?	NO. THIS TAX RELIEF AT SOURCE ASSISTANCE SERVICE IS WHOLLY VOLUNTARY AND DISCRETIONARY AND OUTSIDE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ANY APPLICABLE DEPOSIT AGREEMENT. FEES WILL BE CHARGED FOR THIS SERVICE OF UP TO \$0.0035 PER DEPOSITARY SHARE WITH NO MINIMUM, AND ANY OTHER CHARGES, FEES OR EXPENSES PAYABLE BY OR DUE TO JP MORGAN OR ITS AGENTS, INCLUDING THE CUSTODIAN OR TO TAX AUTHORITIES OR REGULATORS. FEES PAID TO JP MORGAN MAY BE SHARED WITH ITS AGENTS.
IS THE PROCESS FOR TAX RELIEF OFFERED BY JP MORGAN AN OPTIONAL PROCESS?	YES, THIS IS A DISCRETIONARY, OPTIONAL SERVICE.
MAY NORWEGIAN RESIDENTS BENEFIT FROM THE FAVORABLE RATE	NO, THEY MAY NOT.
WHY MUST CHARITIES, PENSIONS, RICS, MULTI-OWNER TRUST FUNDS, AND SIMILAR ENTITIES ELECT AT THE UNFAVORABLE RATE?	<p>THE NORWEGIAN TAX AUTHORITY HAS DETERMINED THAT BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHO ARE NOT SUBJECT TO TAX IN THEIR DOMICILED COUNTRY, OR WHO ARE NOT THEMSELVES THE ULTIMATE BENEFICIAL OWNER, DO NOT MEET ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS TO CLAIM A REFUND.</p> <p>IF THE PARTICIPANT WISHES TO SUBMIT A LONG FORM CLAIM ON BEHALF OF THESE OWNERS, JP MORGAN / GLOBETAX MAY, AT OUR DISCRETION, STILL ATTEMPT TO FILE THE CLAIM IN HOPES THAT THIS INTERPRETATION OF THE TREATY WILL BE RE-EVALUATED.</p>

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs) (CONTINUED)

### QUICK REFUND QUESTIONS

QUESTION	ANSWER
WHAT IS THE QUICK REFUND PROCESS?	THE QUICK REFUND IS A LIMITED OPPORTUNITY, POST EDS WINDOW, FOR PARTICIPANTS WHO MISSED THE EDS WINDOW TO ELECT, OR WISH TO INCREASE THEIR FAVORABLE POSITION.
DO I NEED TO PHYSICALLY SEND ANY DOCUMENTS TO JP MORGAN / GLOBETAX IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE QUICK REFUND PROCESS?	YES, YOU MUST SEND JP MORGAN / GLOBETAX A SIGNED ORIGINAL EDS ADJUST LETTER ON PARTICIPANT LETTERHEAD.
WILL I BE PAID THROUGH DTC FOR CLAIMS SUBMITTED THROUGH THE QUICK REFUND PROCESS?	NO, YOU WILL BE PAID BY CHECK.
ONCE I SUBMIT A QUICK REFUND CLAIM, HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO BE PAID?	IT SHOULD GENERALLY OCCUR WITHIN APPROXIMATELY 4 MONTHS.
IS THE QUICK REFUND PROCESS FREE OF CHARGE?	NO. THIS TAX RECLAIM ASSISTANCE SERVICE IS WHOLLY VOLUNTARY AND DISCRETIONARY AND OUTSIDE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ANY APPLICABLE DEPOSIT AGREEMENT. QUICK REFUND APPLICATIONS RECEIVED POST DEADLINE WILL BE REJECTED. FEES WILL BE CHARGED FOR THIS ASSISTANCE SERVICE OF UP TO \$0.005 PER DS FOR QUICK REFUND WITH A MINIMUM OF \$25.00, AND ANY OTHER CHARGES, FEES OR EXPENSES PAYABLE BY OR DUE TO JP MORGAN OR ITS AGENTS, INCLUDING THE CUSTODIAN OR TO TAX AUTHORITIES OR REGULATORS. FEES PAID TO JP MORGAN MAY BE SHARED WITH ITS AGENTS.
IS THE QUICK REFUND PROCESS FOR TAX RELIEF OFFERED BY JP MORGAN AN OPTIONAL PROCESS?	YES, THIS IS A DISCRETIONARY, OPTIONAL SERVICE.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs) (CONTINUED)

### LONG FORM QUESTIONS

QUESTION	ANSWER
HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE FOR PAYMENT ON LONG FORM CLAIMS?	APPROXIMATELY 18 - 24 MONTHS.
DOES THE LONG FORM PROCESS HAVE A MINIMUM POSITION REQUIREMENT PER BENEFICIAL OWNER?	NO, ALL CLAIMS WILL BE PROCESSED, THOUGH THERE IS A MINIMUM FEE OF \$25 PER BENEFICIAL OWNER.
WHAT WILL THE FEE BE IF A BENEFICIAL OWNER'S CLAIM IS FOR LESS THAN \$50?	JP MORGAN / GLOBETAX IS WILLING TO SPLIT THE RECLAIMED FUNDS 50/50 FOR ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER RECLAIMING LESS THAN \$50.
WILL I BE PAID THROUGH DTC FOR CLAIMS SUBMITTED THROUGH THE LONG FORM PROCESS?	NO, YOU WILL BE PAID BY CHECK.
IS THE LONG FORM PROCESS FREE OF CHARGE?	NO. THIS TAX RECLAIM ASSISTANCE SERVICE IS WHOLLY VOLUNTARY AND DISCRETIONARY AND OUTSIDE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ANY APPLICABLE DEPOSIT AGREEMENT. FEES WILL BE CHARGED FOR THIS ASSISTANCE SERVICE OF UP TO \$0.005 PER DS FOR STANDARD LONG FORM RECLAIMS WITH A MINIMUM OF \$25.00. RECLAIMS RECEIVED POST DEADLINE CANNOT BE ASSURED AND MAY BE SUBJECT TO A PER BENEFICIARY FEE AS WELL AS OTHER CHARGES, FEES OR EXPENSES PAYABLE BY OR DUE TO JP MORGAN OR ITS AGENTS, INCLUDING THE CUSTODIAN OR TAX AUTHORITIES. IN ADDITION, CHARGES MAY APPLY TO ANY LONG FORM CLAIMS REJECTED OR NOT ACCEPTED BY THE CUSTODIAN. FEES PAID TO JP MORGAN MAY BE SHARED WITH ITS AGENTS.
IS THIS LONG FORM PROCESS FOR TAX RELIEF OFFERED BY JP MORGAN AN OPTIONAL PROCESS?	YES, THIS IS A DISCRETIONARY, OPTIONAL SERVICE.



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All tax information contained in this Important Notice is based on a good faith compilation of information obtained and received from multiple sources. The information is subject to change. Actual deadlines frequently vary from the statutory deadlines because of local market conditions and advanced deadlines set by local agents. To mitigate risk it is strongly advised that DTC Participants file their claims as soon as possible as the depository and/or their agents will not be liable for claims filed less than six months before the specified deadline. In the event that local market rules, whether implemented by a local agent or a Tax Authority, conflict with the information provided in the Important Notice, either prior to or after the publication, the local market rules will prevail.

## INDEMNIFICATION

### **Indemnification**

JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. is not liable for failure to secure the relief-at-source and any funds erroneously received shall be immediately returned to JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A., including any interest, additions to tax or penalties thereon. In addition, the Participant will agree to indemnify, defend, hold and save JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A., the Issuer and their respective affiliates, and the respective directors, offices, agents and employees of JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. against any and all damages arising out of or relating to the information provided by the undersigned in, or in connection with this document. This is not tax advice. Please consult your tax advisor.

**ALL FORMS FROM THIS POINT ON REFER TO EITHER THE QUICK RECLAIM OR THE LONG-FORM RECLAIM PROCESSES, AND ARE NOT REQUIRED FOR THE EDS ELECTION PROCESS, UNLESS REQUESTED IN AN AUDIT.**

**EXHIBIT A – EDS ADJUST LETTER (QUICK RECLAIM ONLY)**  
**THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE PREPARED ON THE DTC PARTICIPANT'S LETTERHEAD**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Date)

J.P. MORGAN / GlobeTax  
 90 Broad Street - 16th Floor  
 New York, New York 10004  
 Attn: Brendan Jordan

Mr. Jordan:

We, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby certify that the below indicated shares of **DNB ASA (CUSIP 23328E106)**, held over the Record Date of MAY 6, 2013, are entitled to the Favorable rate of 15% tax withheld at source on ADR Pay Date of TBD, 2013. These shares are eligible for relief at source under the provisions of the United States – Norway Income Tax Treaty Convention.

**By certifying for the applicable withholding tax rate, we certify that the criteria listed below have been met.**

The Participant has determined that the beneficial owner of the shares (individual or legal entity) is a resident of the United States or another country that is eligible for the 15% Norwegian withholding tax rate as specified in the Important Notice.

The Participant hereby certifies that it will indemnify J.P. MORGAN (and its agents) for any liability J.P. MORGAN may incur as a result of reliance upon information provided by such Participant in connection with a withholding tax election, a claim for refund, or a failure to provide information requested by the Norwegian Tax Authorities. J.P. MORGAN shall not be liable for failure to secure a refund of Norwegian tax withheld.

The Participant understands that J.P. MORGAN shall not be liable for any loss resulting from fluctuations in the foreign currency exchange rate that may reduce the value of any refund claimed.

The Participant agrees to immediately return to J.P. MORGAN any funds erroneously received as a result of an improper withholding tax election or refund claim. In addition, the Participant agrees to pay any interest, additions to tax or penalties thereon.

If requested by the Norwegian Tax Authorities (directly or indirectly), the Participant agrees to provide J.P. MORGAN with any of the following information/documentation respecting each beneficial owner for whom a reduced tax rate has been elected: the full names, complete addresses, the countries of residence for tax purposes, dates of birth, taxpayer identification numbers (including social security numbers), as well as the number of depositary receipts for which the reduced rate of withholding tax was certified, the rate that was applied, and any other information that may be reasonably requested, including possibly an IRS certification of U.S. residence on Form 6166.

**Security Name:** DNB ASA (CUSIP 23328E106)

	ORIGINAL EDS ELECTIONS	REVISED ELECTIONS
<b>FAVORABLE (85%):</b>	_____ADRs	_____ADRs
<b>UNFAVORABLE (75%):</b>	_____ADRs	_____ADRs

PAYMENT ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Indemnification**

JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. is not liable for failure to secure the relief-at-source and any funds erroneously received shall be immediately returned to JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A., including any interest, additions to tax or penalties thereon. In addition, the Participant will agree to indemnify, defend, hold and save JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A., the Issuer and their respective affiliates, and the respective directors, offices, agents and employees of JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. against any and all damages arising out of or relating to the information provided by the undersigned in, or in connection with this document. This is not tax advice. Please consult your tax advisor.

Certified By  
 Authorized Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 NAME Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 TITLE  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 DTC PARTICIPANT NUMBER

**EXHIBIT B – FORMAT COVER LETTER (LONG-FORM ONLY)**  
**THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE PREPARED ON THE DTC PARTICIPANT'S LETTERHEAD**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

J.P. MORGAN / GlobeTax  
90 Broad Street - 16th Floor  
New York, New York 10004  
Attn: Brendan Jordan

Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed are tax reclamation documents, which we have submitted on behalf of our clients who have had excess Norwegian tax withheld from dividends paid on Norwegian ADRs. We, **[NAME OF DTC PARTICIPANT]**, also known under DTC participant number **[DTC PARTICIPANT NUMBER]**, hereby state that each beneficial owner cited below held the respective amount of shares on the record date of **MAY 6, 2013** for the security **DNB ASA**.

Below is the list of beneficial owners and their respective holdings, which total **[TOTAL NUMBER OF ADRs CITED BELOW]** ADRs. As required the following documents are attached for each beneficial owner: **claim repayment letter, certification of payment, certification of residency, and signing authorization**. The ratio for DNB ASA is **1 ADR to 10 Ordinary shares**. The beneficial owner information is as follows:

<u>Beneficial Owner Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Taxpayer I.D. Number</u>	<u># of ADRs</u>	<u># of ORDs</u>
1)				
2)				
3)				
4) etc.				

We authorize J.P. MORGAN to present this documentation on the behalf of the beneficial owners listed above. Please contact the undersigned at should you have any questions.

**Indemnification**

JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. is not liable for failure to secure the relief-at-source and any funds erroneously received shall be immediately returned to JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A., including any interest, additions to tax or penalties thereon. In addition, the Participant will agree to indemnify, defend, hold and save JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A., the Issuer and their respective affiliates, and the respective directors, offices, agents and employees of JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. against any and all damages arising out of or relating to the information provided by the undersigned in, or in connection with this document. This is not tax advice. Please consult your tax advisor.

Sincerely,

**[SIGNATURE OF THE AUTHORIZED OFFICER FOR DTC PARTICIPANT]**

**[NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICER FOR DTC PARTICIPANT]**

**[SIGNATORY'S ADDRESS/DTC PARTICIPANT ADDRESS]**

**EXHIBIT C – NORWEGIAN TAX RECLAIM LETTER (LONG-FORM ONLY)**  
**THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE PREPARED ON THE DTC PARTICIPANT'S LETTERHEAD**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

J.P. MORGAN / GlobeTax  
90 Broad Street - 16th Floor  
New York, New York 10004  
Attn: Brendan Jordan

Mr. Jordan:

RE: Issue: **DNB ASA** CUSIP #: **23328E106**  
ADR Record Date: **MAY 6, 2013** ADR Payable Date: **TBD, 2013**  
DTC Participant #: \_\_\_\_\_ Total ADR Shares on Record Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Beneficial Owner Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Beneficial Owner Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of Account: \_\_\_\_\_ ADR Shares held: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gross Dividend Paid (NOK): \_\_\_\_\_ Ordinary Shares held: \_\_\_\_\_  
W/H Tax Amount (NOK): \_\_\_\_\_ Ratio: **1 ADR = 10 ORD**  
10% Amount Claimed (NOK): \_\_\_\_\_  
Beneficial Owner Type (i.e.: individual, trust, investment fund, corporation, foundation, charity):

**Enclosed are the following documents required to file a Norwegian tax reclaim (please check):**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Copy of relevant portion(s) of the trustee/custodial agreement or Power of Attorney allowing DTC Participant to sign on behalf of the beneficial owner.
- \_\_\_\_\_ IRS Form 6166 or a Treasury Determination Letter or Foreign Tax Authority Certificate
- \_\_\_\_\_ Certification (Proof of Payment)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Norway Non-Individual Questionnaire (completed by Beneficial Owner)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Documentation (such as a Plan Document) which spells out the legal nature of the Beneficial Owner in their home country.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Attestation
- \_\_\_\_\_ Reclaim Detail Spreadsheet

Participants will be fully liable for all withholding taxes and any claims, penalties or interest to the Norwegian Tax Authorities ("charge=backs"), including without limitations, any foreign exchange fluctuations associated with such funds at the time due or payable. J.P. MORGAN shall not be liable for the failure to secure any refund.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Beneficial Owner/ Trustee/Custodian) Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

(Beneficial Owner/ Trustee/Custodian Address)

**EXHIBIT D – CERTIFICATE OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT (LONG-FORM ONLY)**  
**THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE PREPARED ON THE DTC PARTICIPANT'S LETTERHEAD**

**ALL AMOUNTS MUST BE IN NORWEGIAN KRONER (NOK)**

CERTIFICATION OF PAYMENT

[DTC Participant Name] hereby certifies that the following beneficial owner (holding the security DNB ASA ADRs (CUSIP #23328E106) was a holder of record on MAY 6, 2013. The beneficial owner was paid the dividend less the 25% withholding tax at source and is entitled to the [Refund] % tax refund stipulated under the provisions of the [Country of Residency of the Beneficial Owner] – Norway Income Tax Treaty Convention

We hereby certify that we have paid the dividend to the beneficial owner of the following securities on [ADR PAY DATE, TBD].

Agent: [DTC Participant Name]  
[DTC Participant Number]

Beneficial Owner: [Beneficial Owner Name]  
[B/O Address]  
[B/O City State Zip Code]  
[B/O Country of Residence]

Security: DNB ASA

Ordinary Pay Date: TBD, 2013

Shares Held: [Number of Ordinary Shares Held]

Dividend Rate: 2.00 NOK per share

Gross Dividend: [Gross Dividend]

Amount of Tax Withheld (25%): [Amount of Tax Withheld]

Refund Amount Due ([Reclaim] %): [Amount of Refund]

Certified By  
Authorized Signature [Sign Here] \_\_\_\_\_ Date [Today's Date]

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
TITLE \_\_\_\_\_  
INSTITUTION \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT E – PROOF OF SIGNING AUTHORIZATION (POA) - (LONG-FORM ONLY)**  
**THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE PREPARED ON THE DTC PARTICIPANT'S LETTERHEAD**

Date:

Power of Attorney

The undersigned (name of legal representative) is hereby authorized by the (DTC Participant name) to sign on behalf of our client (Beneficial Owner Name) in processing Norwegian Tax Reclaims. This declaration is being made for the purpose of requesting that the Norwegian Tax Administration refund the excess Norwegian tax withheld at its source on income.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in effect until terminated upon five days prior written notice of its intent to terminate.

Company Name:

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(Stamp with Company stamp or seal)

Depository #: DTC #\_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of legal representative

Name: (of legal rep.)

Title:

Date:

Place:

**EXHIBIT F – NON-INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONNAIRE  
(LONG-FORM, NON-INDIVIDUALS ONLY)**

**NORWAY NON-INDIVIDUAL CLAIM QUESTIONNAIRE**

**Full Beneficial Owner Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tax ID #:** \_\_\_\_\_

- 1) Does the entity invest its own capital or does it invest capital belonging to other persons or entities, on their behalf?
- 2) Can the investors individually decide how or where the capital is invested?
- 3) If yes, does their decision influence the size of a possible future pension or investment income?
- 4) Are the dividends from Norway redistributed to the investors, are they distributed as dividends or as any other type of income?
- 5) If they are distributed as dividends, are they regarded as Norwegian dividends or as dividends from a <COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE FOR TAX PURPOSES> company?
- 6) We would also like to know who the investors are, i.e. are they private persons, companies or institutions?
- 7) Is the entity open to for instance to <COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE FOR TAX PURPOSES> investors only or may other investors resident for tax purposes outside the <COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE FOR TAX PURPOSES> invest?
- 8) Whereas taxation is concerned, we need information on who is actually taxed on the dividends from Norway as such?
- 9) Who is entitled to the entity's capital if the entity is dissolved?
- 10) Is the entity tax exempt? If so, is it fully or partially exempt?

**EXHIBIT G – ATTESTATION – (LONG-FORM ONLY)**  
**THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE PREPARED ON BENEFICIAL OWNER’S LETTERHEAD**

**NORWEGIAN ATTESTATION ORDINARY TAX RECLAIM**

I/We, **FULL BENEFICIAL OWNER NAME**, Tax ID **XX-XXXXXXX**, do hereby certify that I/we am/are the beneficial owner of **X,XXX ADRs**, representing **X,XXX Ordinary Shares** of **DNB ASA**, Ordinary Pay-Date: **TBD, 2013** and that the dividends were received by the below beneficial owner/claimant and tax was withheld at **25%**.

In support to the above certification, I/We further certify that I/We am/are able to document:

1. that I/We am/are a resident of **[TREATY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE]** (see Certificate of Residency enclosed);
2. that I/We am/are liable to tax in the above country; and
3. that I/We am/are the beneficial owner of the shares and the dividend and that the dividend is accumulated in assets and is part of the taxable income in **[TREATY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE]** as described above so that the dividend is included in the balance sheet and in the taxable income of claimant.
4. that I/We am/are not a transparent partnership, trust, or estate.
5. that I/We do not have a tax domicile in Norway and/or the company is not registered in Norway.
6. that by signing this document I confirm that I have the corporate power to issue this attestation so that it is valid and legally binding on behalf of the company.

Signed .....

Date .....



**EXHIBIT H – ADDITIONAL SIGNING AUTHORIZATION – (LONG FORM ONLY)**

**AUTHORIZATION LETTER REQUIRED FOR NORWEGIAN TAX RECLAIM FILINGS**

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**Authorization**

**Final Beneficiary Details**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Tax ID # (USA Only): \_\_\_\_\_

Custodian (Participant): \_\_\_\_\_

**Authorization**

The final beneficiary has authorized JPMorgan / GlobeTax, and/or its agents, to submit applications for the reimbursement of Norwegian withholding tax in their name and on their behalf and to receive any corresponding refund amounts on their behalf, and to undertake any necessary communication with the Norwegian Tax Authority (NTA) in their name.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date, Place**

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**Signature of party eligible for reimbursement**

EXHIBIT I – RECLAIM DETAIL SPREADSHEET – (LONG-FORM ONLY)

	NAME OF COMPANY (Security)	CUSIP	NUMBER OF ADR SHARES Holding on Record Date	ADR PAYMENT DATE (DDMMYYYY)	AMOUNT TAX WITH-HELD(NOK)	TAX RATE	Reclaim %	RECLAIM AMOUNT (NOK)
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Total:

Signature of Beneficial  
Owner