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Date:	April 14, 2014			
То:	All Participants			
Category:	Dividends			
From:	International Services			
Attention:	Operations, Reorg & Dividend Managers, Partners & Cashiers			
	<u>Tax Relief</u> – Country: Sweden			
	Security: Assa Abloy CUSIP: 045387107			
Subject:	Record Date: 05/12/2014 Payable Date: TBD			
•	EDS Cut-Off: 05/13/2014 8:00 P.M.			
	Documentation Cut-Off: 5/13/2014 by 5 P.M.			

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.

The ADR Depositaries and GlobeTax always endeavor to provide the marketplace with as much time as possible to file At-Source refunds in markets where this type of service is available.

In certain situations, short deadlines imposed by our agents in the local markets necessitates a one day EDS window, most notably in Sweden (Hungary, Norway, and Finland). We continue to work with our local market agents and Issuers to provide the marketplace with the maximum amount of time to make EDS elections.

## \*\*\*Please note: The window period to make EDS elections will only be open for one day. \*\*\*

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

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To ensure compliance with Internal Revenue Service Circular 230, you are hereby notified that: (a) any discussion of federal tax issues contained or referred to herein is not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used, for the purpose of avoiding penalties that may be imposed under the Internal Revenue Code; and (b) as a matter of policy, DTC does not provide tax, legal or accounting advice and accordingly, you should consult your own tax, legal and accounting advisor before engaging in any transaction.

# Deutsche Bank

ASSA ABLOY has announced a cash dividend. Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas acts as one of the Depositaries for the company's American Depositary Receipt ("ADR") program.

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DIVIDEND EVENT DETAILS				
COUNTRY OF ISSUANCE	SWEDEN			
ISSUE	ASSA ABLOY			
CUSIP#	045387107			
DEPOSITARY	UNSPONSORED			
ADR RECORD DATE	May 12, 2014			
ADR PAY DATE	TBD			
ADR GROSS DIVIDEND RATE ON PAY DATE	TBD			
ORD GROSS DIVIDEND RATE ON PAY DATE	SEK 5.70			
RATIO	1 ORD : 2 ADR			
STATUTORY WHT RATE	30%			

	CHARGES & DEADLINES						
FILING METHOD	ВАТСН	PAYMENT METHOD	DEPOSITARY SERVICE CHARGE	MINIMUM SERVICE CHARGE PER BENEFICIAL OWNER	DOCUMENTATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY (ALL TIMES EST)		
RELIEF AT SOURCE (FAVORABLE)	PAYMENT ON PAY DATE	VIA DTC	\$0.005 per ADR	\$0	May 13, 2014; 5:00 P.M.		
RELIEF AT SOURCE (EXEMPT)	PAYMENT ON PAY DATE	VIA DTC	\$0.0075 per ADR	\$0	May 13, 2014; 5:00 P.M.		
QUICK REFUND	POST-EDS PROCESS; ONGOING	CHECK	\$0.01 per ADR	\$25.00	June 23, 2014; 5:00 P.M.		
LONG-FORM	POST-EDS PROCESS; ONGOING	CHECK	\$0.01 per ADR	\$25.00	December 1, 2019; 5:00 P.M.		

RELIEF-AT-SOURCE ("EDS") ELIGIBILITY MATRIX					
RATE DESCRIPTION	RECLAIM RATE	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED			
UNFAVORABLE 30%	0%	NON-TREATY COUNTRIES	NONE		
FAVORABLE 15%	15%	U.S. RESIDENT ENTITIES	NONE (SEE NOTE)		
EXEMPT 0%	30%	U.S. PENSION FUNDS	1. COVER LETTER 2. IRS FORM 6166 3. U.S. PENSION ATTESTATION		

## \*NOTE: Participants using the DTC EDS system agree that the following criteria have been met:

- 1. The Participant has determined that the beneficial owner of the shares (individual or legal entity) is a resident of the United States who is eligible for the 15% or 0% Swedish withholding tax rate. This is not tax advice. Please consult your tax advisor.
- 2. The Participant hereby certifies that it will indemnify BNY Mellon, Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, Citibank N.A., Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, and JPMorgan ("Relevant Depositaries") for any liability it may incur as a result of reliance upon information provided by such Participant in connection with an EDS election, a claim for refund, or a failure to provide information requested by the Swedish Tax Authorities as described in item 5 below. The Relevant Depositaries shall not be liable for any failure to secure a refund.
- 3. The Participant shall be liable for any loss due to foreign exchange fluctuations.
- 4. The Participant agrees to immediately return to the Depositary any funds erroneously received as a result of an improper EDS election or refund claim. In addition, the Participant agrees to pay any interest, additions to tax or penalties thereon.
- 5. If requested by the Swedish Tax Authorities (directly or indirectly), the Participant agrees to provide the Depositary with beneficial ownership information regarding the depositary receipts,: such as the names, entire addresses, the countries of residence for tax purposes, tax identification numbers or social security numbers, as well as the number of depositary receipts for which the reduced rate of withholding tax is certified, the rate that is applied, and any other information that may be reasonably requested. Such information will be provided within 30 days of the Participant being informed of the request. If requested by the Swedish Tax Authorities (directly or indirectly), the Participant also agrees to provide the Depositary Bank with a Certificate of Fiscal Residency (a Form 6166) within 90 days of the Participant being informed of the request. The Swedish Tax Authority reserves the right to request records for the 5 preceding years. Participants who submit claims on behalf of qualified pension funds that elect the 0% withholding rate need to provide this information to the Depositary at the time the claim is made.

	QUICK REFUND / LONG-FORM ELIGIBILITY MATRIX					
RATE DESCRIPTION	RECLAIM RATE	ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED			
FAVORABLE 15%	15%	US RESIDENT ENTITIES	1. COVER LETTER 2. SKV3740 (LONG FORM ONLY) 3. IRS FORM 6166 (LONG FORM ONLY) 4. CERTIFICATION OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT (LONG FORM ONLY) 5. POA(s) (LONG FORM ONLY)			
EXEMPT U.S. 0%	30%	U.S. PENSION FUNDS (CLAIMED UNFAVORABLE THROUGH EDS)	1. COVER LETTER 2. IRS FORM 6166 3. U.S PENSION ATTESTATION 4. SKV 3740 5. CERTIFICATION OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT (LONG FORM ONLY) 6. POA(s) (LONG FORM ONLY)			
EXEMPT NON-U.S. 0%	30%	CANADIAN PENSIONS, SWISS PENSIONS, AND GREECE	<ol> <li>COVER LETTER</li> <li>SKV 3740</li> <li>CERTIFICATION OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> <li>POA(s) (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> </ol>			
EXEMPT U.S. 0%	15%	U.S. PENSION FUNDS (CLAIMED FAVORABLE THROUGH EDS)	<ol> <li>COVER LETTER</li> <li>IRS FORM 6166</li> <li>U.S PENSION ATTESTATION</li> <li>SKV 3740</li> <li>CERTIFICATION OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> <li>POA(s) (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> </ol>			
FAVORABLE 5%	25%	UNITED KINGDOM AND NORTHERN IRELAND	<ol> <li>COVER LETTER</li> <li>SKV 3740</li> <li>CERTIFICATION OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> <li>POA(s) (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> </ol>			
FAVORABLE 10%	20%	AUSTRIA, BELARUS, BULGARIA, CHILE, CZECH REPUBLIC, CHINA (NOT HONG KONG), INDIA, PORTUGAL, ROMANIA, SLOVAKIA, TAIWAN, UKRAINE, AND VENEZUELA	<ol> <li>COVER LETTER</li> <li>SKV 3740</li> <li>CERTIFICATION OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> <li>POA(s) (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> </ol>			
FAVORABLE 15%	15%	ALBANIA, ARGENTINA, AUSTRALIA, BANGLADESH, BARBADOS, BELGIUM, BOLIVIA, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA, BOTSWANA, CANADA (NON-PENSION), CROATIA, DENMARK, ESTONIA, FINLAND, FRANCE, GAMBIA, GERMANY, GREENLAND, HUNGARY, ICELAND, INDONESIA, IRELAND (REPUBLIC OF), ISRAEL, ITALY, JAPAN, KAZAKHSTAN, KOREA (REPUBLIC OF), KOSOVO, LATVIA, LITHUANIA, LUXEMBOURG, MACEDONIA, MALAYSIA, MALTA, MAURITIUS, MEXICO, MONTENEGRO, NAMIBIA, NETHERLANDS, NEW ZEALAND, NORDIC COUNTRIES, NORWAY, PHILIPPINES (THE), POLAND, RUSSIA, SERBIA, SINGAPORE, SLOVENIA, SOUTH AFRICA (REPUPLIC OF), SPAIN, SRI LANKA, SWITZERLAND (NON- PENSION)*, VIETNAM, YUGOSLAVIA, AND ZAMBIA	1. COVER LETTER 2. SKV 3740 3. CERTIFICATION OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT (LONG FORM ONLY) 4. POA(s) (LONG FORM ONLY)			
FAVORABLE 20%	10%	EGYPT, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, TUNISIA, TURKEY, AND ZIMBABWE	<ol> <li>COVER LETTER</li> <li>SKV 3740</li> <li>CERTIFICATION OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> <li>POA(s) (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> </ol>			

FAVORABLE 22.5%	7.5%	JAMAICA	<ol> <li>COVER LETTER</li> <li>SKV 3740</li> <li>CERTIFICATION OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> <li>POA(s) (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> </ol>
FAVORABLE 25%	5%	BRAZIL, KENYA, AND TANZANIA	<ol> <li>COVER LETTER</li> <li>SKV 3740</li> <li>CERTIFICATION OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> <li>POA(s) (LONG FORM ONLY)</li> </ol>

\*SWISS INDIVIDUALS AND COMPANIES QUALIFY FOR 15% REFUND. PLEASE CONTACT DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS/GLOBETAX FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

\*\*EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2013, **0%** RATE APPLIES TO DIVIDENDS PAID TO FOREIGN INVESTMENT FUNDS RESIDENT IN AN **EEA COUNTRY** OR IN A COUNTRY WITH WHICH SWEDEN HAS AN EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AGREEMENT. THE INVESTMENT FUND MUST BE EQUIVALENT TO A SWEDISH INVESTMENT FUND.

	DESCRIPTION OF VARIOUS DOCU	MENTATION	
DOCUMENT NAME	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL / COPY	SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT
SKV 3740	Claim for repayment of Swedish tax on dividends form. This form needs to be certified by the beneficial owner's local tax office for non-U.S. entities.	ORIGINAL	DTC PARTICPANT OR FINAL BENEFICIAL OWNER
IRS FORM 6166	Issued by the Internal Revenue Service, stating the name and Taxpayer Identification number of the beneficial owner. The "Tax Year" of the 6166 must refer to the tax year of 2014. For U.S. Pensions the 6166 must certify that the pension plan is qualified under Section 401 (A) and is tax exempt under Section 501 (A).	ORIGINAL	IRS REPRESENTATIVE
CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY (CANADIAN PENSIONS)	Issued by the beneficial owners local Canadian Revenue Office, stating the name, Taxpayer Identification number and the address of the beneficial owner. Additionally, the COR must cite the provisions of the existing agreement within the meaning of the Canada/Sweden tax convention, including Article 10 Paragraph 8 for tax year 2014.	ORIGINAL	CANADA REVENUE AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE
COVER LETTER (APPENDIX A)	Cover letter required for all long-form, quick refund, and U.S. Pension relief-at-source claims	ORIGINAL	DTC PARTICPANT
CERTIFICATION OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT (APPENDIX B)	Must be submitted for each beneficial owner with each long form claim, on participant letterhead	ORIGINAL	DTC PARTICIPANT
U.S PENSION ATTESTATION (APPENDIX C)	Attestation for U.S. Pensions	ORIGINAL	DTC PARTICIPANT

POWER OF ATTORNEY (APPENDIX D)	If the beneficial owner signs the SKV 3740, then only 1 POA is required  • Between the DTC participant & depositary (DTC letterhead)  If the DTC participant signs the SKV 3740 on behalf of the beneficial owner, then 2 POA's are required	COPY	BENEFICIAL OWNER AND/OR DTC PARTICIPANT
	<ul> <li>Between the DTC participant &amp; depositary (DTC letterhead)</li> <li>Between beneficial owner &amp; DTC participant (BO letterhead)</li> </ul>		

CONTACT DETAILS					
PRIMARY CONTACT	MAX RAMOS				
DOMESTIC PHONE (U.S.)	1-800-876-0959				
DOMESTIC FAX (U.S.)	1-866-888-1120				
INTERNATIONAL PHONE	1-212-747-9100				
INTERNATIONAL FAX	1-212-747-0029				
EMAIL ADDRESS	Swedish_Reclaims@GlobeTax.com				
COMPANY	DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS / GLOBETAX				
STREET ADDRESS	90 BROAD STREET, 16 <sup>TH</sup> FLOOR ATTN: SWEDISH ADR RECLAIMS				
CITY/STATE/ZIP	NEW YORK, NY 10004				
ADDITIONAL CONTACTS	APRIL RICHLAND, GINA GIANNOU				

## **ESP**



Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas offers ESP powered by GlobeTax, which allows for the secure and simplified transfer of beneficial owner level data from the Participant to Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, and creates applicable documentation on the Participants behalf including the SKV 3740 & U.S. Pension Attestation. These claims should be submitted through the following website:

## https://www.globetaxesp.com/

Please contact Mr. Max Ramos at 1-800-628-4646 or via email at <a href="Max\_Ramos@GlobeTax.com">Max\_Ramos@GlobeTax.com</a> if you have any questions about this process.

This system is available for At-Source, Quick Refund, and Long Form claims.

FREQUENTLY ASKE	D QUESTIONS (FAQs)
QUESTION	ANSWER
CAN I SUBMIT A TRUST AGREEMENT IN LIEU OF A POA SIGNED BY THE BENEFICIAL OWNER?	YES, BUT A LIMITED POA SIGNED BY THE PARTICIPANT MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE TRUST AGREEMENT
ARE FORM 6166S WITH IRS CODE RULING 81-100 ACCEPTED?	YES, WITH A TAX DETERMINATION LETTER
DOES THE BENEFICIARIES NAME ON THE FORM 6166 NEED TO MATCH THE POA?	YES, THE BENEFICIARIES NAME ON BOTH DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE IDENTICAL.
HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE FOR LONG-FORM CLAIMS TO BE PAID?	WE ESTIMATE IT TAKES 6 MONTHS FOR LONG FORM CLAIMS TO BE PAID
DOES THE LONG-FORM PROCESS HAVE A MINIMUM POSITION REQUIRMENT PER BENEFICIAL OWNER?	NO, THERE IS A MINIMUM FEE OF \$25 PER BENEFICIAL OWNER WHICH MAY BE WAIVED ON AN EXCEPTIONAL BASIS FOR CLIENTS RECLAIMING LESS THAN \$50. IN SUCH INSTANCES A FEE OF 50% OF THE RECLAIMED AMOUNT WILL BE APPLIED.
WHAT HAPPENS IF THE PARTICIPANT MAKES EXEMPT ELECTIONS THROUGH DTC BUT FAILS TO SUPPLY THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION TO DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS / GLOBE TAX BY THE DEADLINE INDICATED IN THE "CHARGES & DEADLINES" SECTION?	ALL UNSUPPORTED SHARES WILL BE MOVED TO THE 30% UNFAVORABLE RATE. YOU WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO FILE LONG-FORM IF THIS TRANSPIRES.
WHAT IS THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR FILING SWEDISH RECLAIMS?	IT IS 5 YEARS FROM THE END OF THE YEAR IN WHICH THE DIVIDEND PAYS. CLAIMS RECEIVED AFTER OUR SUBMISSION DEADLINE WILL BE FILED ON A BEST EFFORT BASIS.
WHAT HAPPENS IF THE PARTICIPANT DOES NOT MAKE AN EDS ELECTION WITHIN THE SPECIFIED EDS ELECTION WINDOW?	ALL SHARES WILL BE WITHHELD AT THE 30% TAX RATE. YOU WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO FILE LONG-FORM IF THIS TRANSPIRES.
WILL DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS ACCEPT CLAIMS FILED DIRECTLY TO THEM BY THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS?	DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS ONLY ACCEPTS CLAIMS FILED BY THE DTC PARTICIPANT WHO WAS HOLDING THE SECURITIES THROUGH DTC AND ONLY TO THE EXTENT THAT DTC HAS REPORTED THESE HOLDINGS TO US AS VALID RECORD DATE HOLDINGS. BENEFICIAL OWNERS ARE REQUIRED TO FILE THEIR CLAIMS THROUGH THE CUSTODY CHAIN TO THE DTC PARTICIPANT OF RECORD. ALL CLAIMS NOT RECEIVED DIRECTLY FROM THE DTC PARTICIPANT WILL BE RETURNED TO THE BENEFICIAL OWNER.

## **DISCLAIMER**

All tax information contained in this Important Notice is based on a good faith compilation of information obtained 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 depositary 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 publication, the local market rules will prevail.

## **APPENDIX A – COVER LETTER**

(DTC Participant's Letterhead)

Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas/GlobeTax 90 Broad Street, 16th Floor New York, New York 10004-2205 Phone: 1-800-915-3536 Fax: 1-800-985-3536

ATTN: Swedish Reclaims

Re: Withholding Certification for	ASSA ABLOY	:	CUSIP#	045387107
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Re: Withholding Cert	ification for ASS	SA ABLOY	; CUSIP# 0453	87107	
Enclosed please find tax reclamation documents, which we are submitting on behalf of our clients who have had excess tax withheld from dividends paid on Swedish ADRs. We, (DTC Participant Name) holding shares at Cede & Co. under DTC# (DTC PTS Number) hereby state that each beneficial owner cited below held the respective amount of shares on the record date of 12 MAY 2014 for the security ASSA ABLOY (the "Issuer"); CUSIP# 045387107.					
Below is the list of beneficia ADRs. As required the follow Residency and a Power of A The information is as follows	wing documents are atta Attorney for each benefic	ched: Swedisl	n claim form, Certificat	ion of payment,	Certification of
Name of Beneficiary	Comple Addres		Tax ID Number	# ADRs	# ORDS
*For submissions including 6 or more beneficial owners, please submit a spreadsheet to Max Ramos.*  We ask that Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Depositary, present these dividend withholding exemption requests on the above beneficial owners' behalf. Please contact the undersigned at <telephone number=""> should you have any questions.</telephone>					
Indemnification We authorize the Deutsche owners listed above. Pleas					
Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas shall not be liable for failure to secure the refund and shall not be liable for any loss due to foreign exchange fluctuation. Any funds erroneously received shall be immediately returned to Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas plus any interest, additions to tax or penalties imposed thereon. This is not tax advice. Please consult your tax advisor.					
[Signature of authorized signame AND TITLE OF AUT			ICIPANT]		
PAYMENT ADDRESS:			- -		

## **APPENDIX B**

## \*\*\*THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE PREPARED ON COMPANY LETTERHEAD\*\*\*

## **ALL AMOUNTS MUST BE IN SEK**

(Important – DTC Participants must complete a separate Certificate of Payment for each beneficial owner)

## **CERTIFICATION OF PAYMENT**

[DTC Participant Name] hereby certifies that the following beneficial owner (holding the security ASSA ABLOY) ADRs (CUSIP 045387107) was a holder of record on 12 MAY 2014. The beneficial owner was paid the dividend less the [Withheld %] withholding tax at source and is entitled to the [Refund %] tax refund stipulated under the provisions of the "[Residence Country of Beneficial Owner]" — Sweden Tax Treaty Convention.

We hereby certify that we have paid the dividend to the beneficial owner of the following securities on 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:	ASSA ABLOY
Ordinary Pay Date:	15 MAY 2014
Shares held:	[Number of Ordinary Shares Held]
Dividend Rate:	SEK 5.70 per share
Gross Dividend:	[Gross Dividend]
Amount of Tax Withheld (Withheld %):	[Amount of Tax Withheld]
Refund Amount Due (Reclaim %):	[Amount of Refund]
NAME	Date [Today's Date]

## **APPENDIX C**

## \*\*\*THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE PREPARED ON COMPANY LETTERHEAD\*\*\*

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## ATTESTATION FOR U.S. PENSIONS

## [DATE]

Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas/GlobeTax 90 Broad Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10004-2205

Attn: Swedish Reclaims

We, [NAME OF DTC PARTICIPANT], also known under DTC participant number [DTC PARTICIPANT NUMBER], hereby confirm that each U.S. pension cited below held the respective amount of shares on the record date of 12 MAY 2014 for the security ASSA ABLOY (the "Issuer"); CUSIP# 045387107 and that all U.S. pensions cited below meet the following tax reclaim requirements: The pension fund/trust is:

- 1. Organized under the laws of the U.S.
- 2. Established and maintained in the U.S. primarily to administer or provide pensions or other similar remuneration, including social security payments.
- 3. Tax-exempt in the U.S. with respect to the activities described in item 2 above.
- 4. Comprised of participants within the fund of which more than 50 percent are American residents.
- 5. A resident of the United States, provided that such dividends are not derived from the carrying on of a trade or business by the pension fund or through an associated enterprise.
- 6. Confirming that the underlying security has been held in the account for at least two months prior to submitting the tax reclaim to Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas/GlobeTax. If the shares are part of a securities lending transaction over record date, the two-month holding period is considered interrupted and as a result disqualifies the pension's eligibility to claim at the exempt rate.

Below is the list of beneficial owners and their respective holdings. As required a Form 6166 and a Power of Attorney are attached for each beneficial owner.

Beneficial Owner Name Address Taxpayer I.D. Number # of ADRs held

- 1)
- 2)
- 3) etc.

We ask that Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Depositary, present these dividend withholding exemption requests on the above beneficial owners' behalf. Please contact the undersigned at <**Telephone Number>** should you have any questions.

#### Indemnification

We authorize the Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas to present this documentation on the behalf of the beneficial owners listed above. Please contact the undersigned at [Signatory's Telephone Number] should you have any questions.

Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas shall not be liable for failure to secure the refund and shall not be liable for any loss due to foreign exchange fluctuation. Any funds erroneously received shall be immediately returned to Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas plus any interest, additions to tax or penalties imposed thereon. This is not tax advice. Please consult your tax advisor.

Sincerely,

[Signature of authorized signatory for DTC Participant]

[NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICER FOR DTC PARTICIPANT]

# APPENDIX D – POWER OF ATTORNEY \*\*\*THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE PREPARED ON COMPANY LETTERHEAD\*\*\*

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

(Broker's Letterhead)

Power of Attorney

(Name of Broker), with address in (City, State, Country) hereby appoints <u>Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas / GlobeTax ("Bank")</u> and/or the Bank's designated standing proxy(ies) as its true and lawful attorney with full Power of Attorney to do all or any of the following acts with respect to the American Depository Receipts representing shares in <u>ASSA ABLOY</u> ("Securities") that the Bank holds in its safe custody on behalf of the Undersigned broker/agent.

- i) To file required forms with competent tax authorities in order to secure any tax privileges and benefits such as tax reduction or tax-exemption at source.
- ii) To receive on behalf of the Undersigned tax repayments made by competent tax authorities as a result of lodging reclaim forms.

The Undersigned also authorizes the Bank and/or the Bank's designated standing proxy(ies) to submit this power of attorney or a photocopy of it to competent tax authorities.

(Name of the broker representative)

<place and="" date=""></place>	Signature of broker representative>
Place and Date	Authorized Signature(s)/Title(s)