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То:	All Participants
Category:	Dividends
From:	International Services
Attention:	Operations, Reorg & Dividend Managers, Partners & Cashiers
Subject:	<u>Tax Country</u> : Belgium UMICORE <u>CUSIP</u> : 90420M104 <u>Record Date 08/28/2017 Payment Date: 09/13/2017</u>

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As directed in the notice, participants that have qualified beneficial holders that expect to benefit from this procedure should secure the required documentation. Any questions, please call GlobeTax at 212-747-9100.

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UMICORE has announced a cash dividend. BNY Mellon acts as Depositary for the company's Depositary Receipt ("DR") program.

On DR pay date, all beneficial owners will receive this dividend net of the full Belgium statutory withholding tax of 30% with the possibility to reclaim as outlined in the below Eligibility Matrix.

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DIVIDEND EVENT DETAILS				
COUNTRY OF ISSUANCE	BELGIUM			
ISSUE	UMICORE			
CUSIP#	90420M104			
UNDERLYING ISIN	BE0003884047			
DEPOSITARY	MULTIPLE			
DR RECORD DATE	AUGUST 28, 2017			
ORD PAY DATE	AUGUST 29, 2017			
DR PAY DATE	SEPTEMBER 13, 2017			
RATIO (DR to ORD)	2 DR : 1 ORD			
ORD RATE	EUR 0.65			
STATUTORY WITHHOLDING RATE	30%			
XBRL	DOUBLE CLICK ICON BELOW TO DOWNLOAD **BRL**			

STATUTORY RATE IN BELGIUM HAS INCREASED FROM 27% TO 30% AS OF JANUARY 1, 2017.

RECLAIMS OVER EUR 100,000 NEED A TRANSACTION STATEMENT, PLEASE REFER TO PAGE 4

FEES & DEADLINES						
FILING METHOD	ВАТСН	DSC FEE	MINIMUM FEE PER BENEFICIAL OWNER	FINAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE (ALL TIMES EST)		
PRIMARY LONG FORM	POST-CA WEB PROCESS; ONGOING	VIA CHECK	Up to \$0.01 per DR	\$25.00	OCTOBER 30, 2017 (8 PM)	
LONG FORM	POST-CA WEB PROCESS; ONGOING	VIA CHECK	Up to \$0.01 per DR	\$25.00	OCTOBER 30, 2021 (8 PM)	

Agreements, Fees, Representations, and Indemnification of Participants and Beneficial Owners

This tax relief assistance service is wholly voluntary and discretionary, and outside the terms and conditions of any applicable deposit agreement. BNY Mellon undertakes no duty or obligation to provide this service, and may reject or decline any or all proposed electing participants or holders in its sole discretion. We hereby accept and agree to pay the fees of BNY Mellon of up to \$0.01 per Depositary Receipt for Primary Long Form and Long Form (with a minimum of \$25) and any other charges, fees or expenses payable by or due to BNY Mellon or its agents, including any custodian, in connection with the tax reclaim process, or to tax authorities or regulators (which fees, charges or expenses may be deducted from the dividend or any other distribution or by billing or otherwise in BNY Mellon's discretion). We hereby agree that any such fees, charges or expenses may be due and payable whether or not a successful reduction in rate or reclamation is obtained. We hereby acknowledge that fees paid to BNY Mellon may be shared with its agents and affiliates.

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We certify that to the best of our knowledge that each of the beneficial owners identified are eligible for the preferential rates as stated and we declare that we have performed all the necessary due diligence to satisfy ourselves as to the accuracy of the information submitted to us by these beneficial owners.

We will be fully liable for any and all claims, penalties and / or interest, including without limitation, any foreign exchange fluctuations associated therewith. BNY Mellon shall not be liable for the failure to secure any tax relief. We expressly agree that BNY Mellon and its agents or affiliates shall not have any liability for, and we shall indemnify, defend and hold each of BNY Mellon and its agents and affiliates harmless from and against, any and all loss, liability, damage, judgment, settlement, fine, penalty, demand, claim, cost or expense (including without limitation fees and expenses of defending itself or enforcing this agreement) arising out of or in connection herewith.

ELIGIBILITY MATRIX – PRIMARY LONG FORM						
RATE DESCRIPTION RECLAIM RATE		ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED (BLUE = GENERATED BY ESP)	SIGNATURE REQUIRED		
UNFAVORABLE - 30%	0%	NON-TREATY COUNTRIES	NO DOCS OR ESP SUBMISSION NEEDED	N/A		
FAVORABLE - 15%	15%	U.S. INDIVIDUALS (IRAs & SEPS INCLUDED) U.S. CHARITIES U.S. CORPORATIONS U.S. OTHER ENTITIES (S-CORP, PARTNERSHIP, TRUST OR ESTATE)	 COVER LETTER FORM DIV 276 CERTIFICATE OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION LETTER POWER OF ATTORNEY ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY (2017) 	ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL / COPY		
EXEMPT - 0%	30%	U.S. PENSIONS UNDER IRS SECTIONS 401(a)	1. COVER LETTER 2. FORM DIV 276 3. ANNEXE 26 OR 29 4. CERTIFICATE OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT 5. AUTHORIZATION LETTER 6. POWER OF ATTORNEY 7. ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY (2017)	ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL / COPY		

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N.B.: EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2013, DUE TO THE AMENDMENT OF THE ROYAL DECREE EXECUTING THE BELGIAN INCOME TAX CODE ARTICLE 106 PARAGRAPH 2 AND PARAGRAPH 4, ONLY PENSION FUNDS ARE ENTITLED TO EXEMPTION FROM BELGIAN WITHHOLDING TAX ON DIVIDENDS.

NOTE ON REDUCED WITHHOLDING TAX FOR DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTIONS TO CERTAIN MINORITY CORPORATE SHAREHOLDERS

Reduced rate for participations of at least 2.5 million EUR: Belgian domestic law provides for a reduced withholding tax rate of 1.6995% for dividends distributed to qualifying non-resident companies (i) which are resident in the European Economic Area (EEA) or in a state with which Belgium concluded a DTT that includes an exchange of information clause, and (ii) which hold (or will hold) a participation of less than 10% with an acquisition value of at least 2.5 million EUR for at least one year. The reduced rate does not apply to the extent that the non-resident shareholder can credit or obtain a reimbursement of the Belgian withholding tax.

Please contact your tax advisor or GlobeTax for specific details.

NOTE ON QUALIFYING NON-U.S. PENSIONS

According to Belgian Statutory law, all foreign pension funds are exempt as long as certain conditions are met. The Exempt 0% rate applies on dividends paid to pension funds if they comply with the following cumulative conditions:

- · They are non-resident,
- They are the Beneficial Owners of the income,
- · They are tax exempt,
- They must have legal personality of which the only purpose is managing and investing funds for the purpose of paying pensions AND
 with a non-profit purpose in activities
- They must not be under a contractual arrangement to pay the income to another entity.

TRANSACTION STATEMENT

REQUIRED FOR CLAIMS EXCEEDING EUR 100,000. A TRANSACTION STATEMENT MUST SHOW:

- The name of the security
- The ISIN of the security
- The nature of the transaction: purchase, sale, or loan
- The date of the transaction
- The value of each transaction
- The number of shares
- The name of the counter party if shares were sold by agreement between the parties
- The current position per transaction

ELIGIBILITY MATRIX – LONG FORM							
RATE DESCRIPTION	RECLAIM RATE	ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED	SIGNATURE REQUIRED			
UNFAVORABLE - 30%	0%	NON-TREATY COUNTRIES	NO DOCS OR ESP SUBMISSION NEEDED	N/A			
FAVORABLE - 20%	10%	EGYPT, THAILAND, TURKEY	 COVER LETTER FORM DIV 276 CERTIFICATE OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION LETTER POWER OF ATTORNEY 	ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL / COPY			
FAVORABLE - 15%	15%	ALBANIA, ALGERIA, ARGENTINA, ARMENIA, AUSTRALIA, AUSTRIA, AZERBAIJAN, BANGLADESH, BELARUS, BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA (former YUGOSLAVIA), BRAZIL, CANADA, CHILE, COTE D'IVOIRE, CROATIA, CYPRUS, CZECH REPUBLIC, DENMARK, ECUADOR, ESTONIA, FINLAND, FRANCE, GABON, GEORGIA, GERMANY, GHANA, GREECE, HONG KONG, ICELAND, INDIA, INDONESIA, IRELAND, ISRAEL, ITALY, JAPAN, KAZAKHSTAN, KOSOVO , KYRGYZSTAN (former USSR), LATVIA, LITHUANIA, LUXEMBOURG, MACEDONIA, MALAYSIA , MALTA, MEXICO, MOLDOVA (former USSR), MONGOLIA, MONTENEGRO, NETHERLANDS, NEW ZEALAND, NIGERIA, NORWAY, PAKISTAN, PHILIPPINES, POLAND, PORTUGAL, ROMANIA, RWANDA, SAN MARINO, SENEGAL, SERBIA, SINGAPORE, SLOVAK REPUBLIC, SLOVENIA, SOUTH AFRICA, SOUTH KOREA, SPAIN, SRI LANKA, SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND, TAJIKISTAN (former USSR), TUNISIA, TURKMENISTAN (former USSR), UKRAINE, UZBEKISTAN, VENEZUELA, VIETNAM	 5. POWER OF ATTORNEY 6. ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY (2017) 	ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL / COPY MUST BE ORIGINAL			
FAVORABLE - 15%	15%	U.S. INDIVIDUALS (IRAs & SEPs INCLUDED) U.S. CHARITIES U.S. CORPORATIONS U.S. OTHER ENTITIES (S-CORP, PARTNERSHIP, TRUST	 COVER LETTER FORM DIV 276 CERTIFICATE OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION LETTER POWER OF ATTORNEY ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY (2017) 	ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL / COPY MUST BE ORIGINAL			
FAVORABLE - 10%	20%	BAHRAIN, BULGARIA, CHINA, CONGO, HUNGARY, KUWAIT, MAURITIUS, MOROCCO, RUSSIA, TAIWAN, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, UNITED KINGDOM		ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL / COPY			
EXEMPT - 0%	30%	U.S. PENSIONS UNDER IRS SECTIONS 401(a) QUALIFYING NON-U.S. PENSIONS, WORLD EXEMPTS	 COVER LETTER FORM DIV 276 ANNEXE 26 OR 29 CERTIFICATE OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT 	ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE			

I.E. GOVERNMENT OF KUWAIT, GOVERNMENT OF SINGAPORE, GOVERNMENT OF UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, GOVERNMENT OF BAHRAIN		AUTHORIZATION LETTER POWER OF ATTORNEY ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY (2017)	ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ORIGINAL / COPY
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	DESCRIPTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTATION				
DOCUMENT NAME	DESCRIPTION				
COVER LETTER	COVER LETTER REQUIRED FOR ALL CLAIMS WHICH ADVISES BNY MELLON / GLOBETAX OF THE SALIENT DETAILS OF THE CLAIM.				
FORM 276 DIV	THIS IS THE BELGIAN TAX FORM. FAVORABLE: THIS FORM MUST BE STAMPED (CERTIFIED) BY THE LOCAL TAX AUTHORITY—ONLY U.S. IRS FORM 6166 MAY BE SUBMITTED AS A STAND-ALONE DOCUMENT. EXEMPT: CLAIMANTS DO NOT NEED TO HAVE THIS STAMPED. A STAND-ALONE CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY IS REQUIRED, SEE COR BELOW.				
ANNEXE 29	THIS IS A CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION AND IS ONLY REQUIRED FOR THOSE SEEKING EXEMPTION FROM BELGIUM WITHHOLDING TAX. PROVIDED BY THE DTC PARTICIPANT.				
ANNEXE 26	THIS IS A CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION AND IS ONLY REQUIRED FOR THOSE SEEKING EXEMPTION FROM BELGIUM WITHHOLDING TAX. PROVIDED BY THE FINANACIAL INSTITUTION.				
IRS FORM 6166	ISSUED BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, STATING THE NAME OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER. THE TAX YEAR MUST BE THE SAME AS THE YEAR OF THE DIVIDEND PAYMENT.				
CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY (COR)	ISSUED BY THE FOREIGN TAX AUTHORITY, STATING THE NAME OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER. THE TAX YEAR MUST BE THE SAME AS THE YEAR OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT. TAX EXEMPTION MUST BE EXPLICITLY STATED.				
ATTESTATION FOR GROUP TRUSTS UNDER IRS 81-100 RULING	REQUIRED FOR IRS 81-100 RULINGS. CERTIFIES THAT THE DIVIDENDS ARE DERIVED FROM ASSETS INVESTED IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE BASIC ACTIVITY OF A PENSION FUND TO PROVIDE RETIREMENT BENEFITS. CONTACT GLOBETAX FOR TEMPLATE.				
ATTESTATION FOR UCITS	REQUIRED FOR IRISH & SOUTH AFRICAN UCITS. PROVES STANDING AS A UCIT FUND.				
CERTIFICATION OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT	PROVIDES A BREAKDOWN OF THE DIVIDEND PAYMENT. MUST BE SUBMITTED ON YOUR COMPANY'S LETTERHEAD.				
POWER OF ATTORNEY	TWO POWER OF ATTORNEYS ARE REQUESTED IN ALL CASES WHERE A DTC PARTICIPANT IS SIGNING ON BEHALF OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER ON THE FORM 276 DIV, OR THE ANNEXE 29. POAs ARE REQUIRED, ONE FROM THE BENEFICIAL OWNER TO THE DTC PARTICIPANT AND ONE FROM THE DTC PARTICIPANT TO BNY MELLON / GLOBETAX.				
AUTHORIZATION LETTER	ALLOWS BNY MELLON / GLOBETAX TO: 1. CREATE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION (FORM 276 DIV OR ANNEXE 26/29) 2. CREDIT ADVICE 3. SUBMIT APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER AND 4. RECEIVE THE REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT				

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)						
PRIMARY LONG FORM QUESTIONS						
ARE THERE ANY ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS I SHOULD KNOW ABOUT?	YES. IF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER IS ENGAGED IN A TRADE OR BUSINESS IN BELGIUM THROUGH A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN BELGIUM THEY ARE INELIGIBLE TO CLAIM THROUGH THIS PROCESS.					
DO I NEED TO PHYSICALLY SEND ANY DOCUMENTS TO BNY MELLON?	YES, ALONG WITH THE ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION WE NEED ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION IN HARDCOPY FORM.					
CAN I SIGN THE AUTHORIZATION ON BEHALF OF MY CLIENT?	YES. HOWEVER IN ADDITION TO THE AUTHORIZATION LETTER, YOU MUST PROVIDE A POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM THE BENEFICIAL OWNER GIVING YOU AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN ON THEIR BEHALF.					
IS THE PROCESS FOR TAX RELIEF OFFERED BY BNY MELLON AN OPTIONAL PROCESS?	YES, THIS IS A DISCRETIONARY, OPTIONAL SERVICE.					
LONG F	ORM QUESTIONS					
WILL I BE PAID THROUGH DTC FOR CLAIMS SUBMITTED THROUGH THE LONG FORM PROCESS?	NO, YOU WILL BE PAID BY CHECK.					
HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE FOR LONG FORM CLAIMS TO BE PAID?	GENERALLY 1-2 YEARS.					
DOES THE LONG FORM PROCESS HAVE A MINIMUM POSITION PER BENEFICIAL OWNER REQUIREMENT?	YES, LONG FORM CLAIMS MUST RECLAIM AT LEAST \$25.000F VARIOUS DOCUMENTATION.					
IS THIS LONG FORM PROCESS FREE OF CHARGE?	NO. THIS TAX RELIEF ASSISTANCE SERVICE IS WHOLLY VOLUNTARY AND DISCRETIONARY AND OUTSIDE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ANY APPLICABLE DEPOSIT AGREEMENT. BNY MELLON UNDERTAKES NO DUTY OR OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE, AND MAY REJECT OR DECLINE ANY OR ALL PROPOSED ELECTING PARTICIPANTS OR HOLDERS IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION. FEES WILL BE CHARGED FOR THIS SERVICE OF UP TO \$0.01 PER DR WITH NO MINIMUM, AND ANY OTHER CHARGES, FEES OR EXPENSES PAYABLE BY OR DUE TO BNY MELLON OR ITS AGENTS, INCLUDING THE CUSTODIAN OR TO TAX AUTHORITIES OR REGULATORS. FEES PAID TO BNY MELLON MAY BE SHARED WITH ITS AGENTS.					

FREQUENTLY ASKED GENERAL QUESTIONS (FAQs)					
ARE THERE ANY ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS I SHOULD KNOW ABOUT?	YES. IF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER IS ENGAGED IN A TRADE OR BUSINESS IN BELGIUM THROUGH A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN BELGIUM THEY ARE INELIGIBLE TO CLAIM THROUGH THIS PROCESS.				
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Submit the data online through the web site below, print out the document on letterhead, sign, and mail to BNY Mellon / GlobeTax.

These claims should be submitted through the following web site. (Requires a one-time registration)

https://ESP.GlobeTax.com

Please contact support@globetax.com at 212-747-9100 if you have any questions about this process.

FORMS AND ATTACHMENTS *Double click on respective icon to view attachment.						
APPENDIX A – COVER LETTER **For Non-ESP users ONLY	ANNEXE 26 / ALITHORIZATION CERTIFICATE OF					
Appendix A.pdf	EXCEL BREAKDOWN.xls	DIV 276.pdf	ANNEXE 26 & 29.pdf	Authorization Letter.pdf	Certificate of payment.pdf	