

B #:	0681-15	
Date:	05/08/2015	
To:	All Participants	
Category:	Dividends	
From:	Supervisor, Stock Dividend department	
Attention:	Dividend Managers, Cashiers and Reorganization Managers	
Subject:	Optional Dividend: Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. CUSIP: 500472303 Record Date: 05/12/2015 Payable Date: 06/10/2015 Rate: USD \$0.909360 CA Web Instruction Cut-Off: 06/03/2015 8:00 P.M. New York time	

Koninklijke Philips Electronics has announced an optional cash/stock dividend. Citibank acts as the Transfer Agent for the company's New York Registry Shares (NYRS) program. The Dividend will be paid on 06/10/15 to Holders of record at close of business on 05/12/2015.

Option #1 (Cash): Holders may elect to receive the net dividend in cash at an approximate

distribution rate of \$0.909360 per ADR. This option is subject to 15%

withholding tax.

Option #2 (Stock): Holders may elect to receive their dividend in shares of Koninklijke Philips

Electronics. The dividend in new shares, paid out of net income and retained earnings, withholding tax, but only in respect of the par value of the shares (which value amounts to EUR 0.80). The Dutch dividend withholding tax in case of a dividend will not be borne by the Company. Cash will be paid in lieu of

fractional shares at Participant Level. (**Default**)

CLIENTS SHOULD SUBMIT ELECTION INSTRUCTIONS THROUGH THE CORPORATE ACTION WEB INSTRUCTION TAB. PLEASE REFER TO IMPORTANT NOTICE <u>B#0178-15</u> FOR MORE INFORMATION.

#### RECORD DATE POSITION INFORMATION SHOULD BE CONFIRMED THROUGH THE CA WEB.

Participants not responding to the above options by 06/03/2015 8:00 P.M., New York time will receive shares with cash in lieu of fractions in accordance with Option #2.

If there are any questions regarding this Important Notice or the processing of CA Web related instructions, Participants should contact DTC's Customer Help Line at (888) 382-2721.

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# **KONINKLIJKE PHILIPS ELECTRONICS**

has announced a STOCK / CASH dividend. Citibank, N.A. acts as the Depositary Bank for the company's New York Registry Shares ("NYRS") program.

Participants can use DTC's Corporate Actions Web (CA Web) instructions tab to elect the **CASH** or **STOCK** option. If no election is made during the election period (May 13 – June 5), the **STOCK** option is the **DEFAULT**.

On NYRS pay date, all holders will receive this dividend net of the full Netherlands statutory rate with the possibility to obtain relief at source or a post-pay date refund as outlined in the below Eligibility Matrix.

DIVIDEND EVENT DETAILS			
COUNTRY OF ISSUANCE	NETHERLANDS		
ISSUE	KONINKLIJKE PHILIPS ELECTRONICS		
CUSIP#	500472303		
DEPOSITARY	CITIBANK, N.A.		
NYRS RECORD DATE	MAY 12, 2015		
NYRS PAY DATE	JUNE 10, 2015		
GROSS DIVIDEND RATE ON PAY DATE	TBA		
ORD GROSS DIVIDEND RATE ON PAY DATE	€0.80		
RATIO	1 ORD : 1 NYRS		
STATUTORY WHT RATE	15%		

CHARGES & DEADLINES				
FILING METHOD	PAYMENT METHOD	TAX RELIEF FEE	MINIMUM SERVICE CHARGE PER BENEFICIAL HOLDER	FINAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE (ALL TIMES EST)
CASH OPTION PRIMARY LONG FORM BATCH	CHECK	UP TO \$0.01 PER NYRS	\$25	JUNE 24, 2015 (8PM)
CASH OPTION LONG FORM	CHECK	UP TO \$0.01 PER NYRS	\$25	OCTOBER 30, 2020 (8PM)
STOCK OPTION LONG FORM	CHECK	UP TO \$0.01 PER NYRS	\$25	OCTOBER 30, 2020 (8PM)

ELIGIBILITY MATRIX			
RATE DESCRIPTION	RECLAIM RATE	ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED
UNFAVORABLE 15%	0%	Non-Treaty Countries	NONE
FAVORABLE 10% POST PAY DATE	5%	Bahrain, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Kuwait, Oman, Portugal, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Slovak Republic, South Africa, Taiwan, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela	1. ESP SUBMISSION <b>OR</b> COVER LETTER (EXHIBIT A) 2. CERTIFIED IB 92 UNIVERSEEL
FAVORABLE 10% POST PAY DATE	5%	Ghana, Japan, United Kingdom	<ol> <li>ESP SUBMISSION OR         COVER LETTER (EXHIBIT A)</li> <li>CERTIFIED IB 93 UNIVERSEEL</li> </ol>
EXEMPT 0% POST PAY DATE	15%	U.S. ARTICLE 36 - CHARITIES under 501(a), 501(c)(3), 509(a)(1), 509(a)(2), 509(a)(3), 17-(b)	ESP SUBMISSION <b>OR</b> COVER LETTER (EXHIBIT A)
EXEMPT 0% POST PAY DATE	15%	U.S. ARTICLE 35 - PENSIONS and IRAs under 401(a), 401(k), 457(b), 403(b), 408, 408(a), 501(a)	ESP SUBMISSION <b>OR</b> COVER LETTER (EXHIBIT A)
EXEMPT 0% (FOREIGN TAX EXEMPT) POST PAY DATE	15%	Any entity domiciled in a country in which it is not subject to tax on profits, as long as that state has an Exchange of Tax Information Agreement in place with the Netherlands, & that entity would not be subject to profits tax in the Netherlands if it were based therein.	<ol> <li>ESP SUBMISSION WITH APPROVED E-CODE OR</li> <li>COVER LETTER (EXHIBIT A)</li> <li>DIV 16 FORM</li> <li>CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY (COR)</li> <li>ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION</li> </ol>

	DESCRIPTION OF VARIOUS DOCUM	ENTATION	
DOCUMENT NAME	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL / COPY	SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT
IB 92 UNIVERSEEL	DUTCH TAX FORM REQUIRED FOR ANY BENEFICIAL HOLDER, DOMICILED IN NON-REMITTANCE-BASED JURISDICTIONS, ATTEMPTING TO RECLAIM THE 5% ENTITLEMENT; THIS FORM MUST BE CERTIFIED BY THE BENEFICIAL HOLDER'S LOCAL TAX OFFICE.	ORIGINAL	BENEFICIAL HOLDER & MUST BEAR THE STAMP OF LOCAL TAX AUTHORITY
IB 93 UNIVERSEEL	DUTCH TAX FORM REQUIRED FOR ANY BENEFICIAL HOLDER, DOMICILED IN REMITTANCE-BASED JURISDICTIONS, ATTEMPTING TO RECLAIM THE 5% ENTITLEMENT; THIS FORM MUST BE CERTIFIED BY THE BENEFICIAL HOLDER'S LOCAL TAX OFFICE.	ORIGINAL	BENEFICIAL HOLDER & MUST BEAR THE STAMP OF LOCAL TAX AUTHORITY
DIV 16	THIS FORM IS USED TO APPLY FOR A REFUND FOR FOREIGN BODIES NOT SUBJECT TO ANY TAX ON PROFITS. (SEE ELIGIBILITY MATRIX)	ORIGINAL	BENEFICIAL HOLDER
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION	A DOCUMENT SPECIFYING THE REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATIONS OF A LEGAL ENTITY. THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION DEFINE THE ENTITY'S PURPOSE, ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE, AND HOW FINANCIAL RECORDS ARE MAINTAINED.	COPY ACCEPTED	PROVIDED BY BENEFICIAL HOLDER
COVER LETTER (EXHIBIT A)	A LISTING OF THE BENEFICIAL HOLDER'S DETAILS, TAXPAYER ID NUMBERS, NUMBER OF NYRS, AND ENTITY TYPE (CHARITY OR PENSION). THE COVER LETTER IS PROVIDED TO CITIBANK, N.A. BY THE PARTICIPANT, EITHER THROUGH ESP SUBMISSION OR THROUGH TRADITIONAL HARD COPY RECLAIM COVER LETTER.	ORIGINAL	DTC PARTICIPANT
APPROVED E-CODE	SEVEN (7) DIGIT ELECTRONIC FILING CODE RECEIVED FROM THE DUTCH TAX AUTHORITIES— PROOF SHOWING APPROVAL FROM DUTCH TAX AUTHORITY ("DTA") MUST BE SUBMITTED.	COPY ACCEPTED	DTC PARTICIPANT OR BENEFICIAL HOLDER

CONTACT DETAILS			
PRIMARY CONTACT	KASEY HARBES		
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COMPANY	CITIBANK, N.A. / GLOBETAX		
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CITY/STATE/ZIP	NEW YORK, NY 10004		
ADDITIONAL CONTACTS	STEPHANIE URUGUTIA; TROY DRAYTON		

# **ESP**



Citibank, N.A. now offers ESP powered by GlobeTax, a paperless withholding tax reclaim process, for Exempt U.S. Organizations (qualified under Article 36 of the Tax Convention), Exempt U.S. Pension Trusts (qualified under Article 35 of the Tax Convention), Exempt Foreign Entities, and Favorable Foreign Entities, to participants holding NYRS.

These claims should be submitted through the following web site. (Requires a one-time registration): <a href="https://esp.globetax.com">https://esp.globetax.com</a>

Please contact Kasey Harbes at 1-800-628-4646 or via email at <a href="DutchESP@GLOBETAX.COM">DutchESP@GLOBETAX.COM</a> if you have any questions about this process.

#### **DISCLAIMER**

### All Post-Electronic Reclaims filing Long Form:

U.S. residents and non-U.S. residents who have missed the Quick Refund Process deadlines may file for a "long form" refund by submitting a claim via either ESP or traditional methods to Citibank, N.A. / GlobeTax prior to the expiry of the right to claim. Based on their county, that period generally expires five (5) years from the end of the year in which the dividend was paid in the local market. Claims received after the long form deadline will be filed on a best effort basis at the discretion of Citibank, N.A. / GlobeTax.

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 GlobeTax 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.

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs) **GENERAL QUESTIONS QUESTION ANSWER** WILL I RECEIVE A DECLARATION IN LIEU OF NO, ALL DECLARATION IN LIEU OF DIVIDEND NOTES DIVIDEND NOTE ("DLD" or "CERT") FOR MY ARE MAINTAINED BY THE DEPOSITARY, TO BE ARTICLE 35 PENSIONS OR ARTICLE 36 RELEASED ONLY UPON WRITTEN REQUEST BY THE PARTICIPANT. CHARITIES? NO, YOU MAY SUBMIT A TRADITIONAL CLAIM THROUGH STANDARD MAIL IF YOU CANNOT SUBMIT CLIENT DATA THROUGH ESP. WE STRONGLY SUGGEST LOGGING IN AM I REQUIRED TO FILE THROUGH ESP? TO ESP TO DOWNLOAD THE TEMPLATE PROVIDED WHEN PREPARING YOUR CLAIM, REGARDLESS OF YOUR ULTIMATE SUBMISSION METHOD. YES, FOR INSTANCE, THESE ACCOUNT TYPES WILL IS THERE ANY CASE IN WHICH A U.S. RESIDENT **NOT** BE CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE FOR TREATY BENEFITS 401(a), 401(K), 457(b), 403(b), IRA, ROTH IRA, UNDER ARTICLE 35 OF THE TREATY BETWEEN THE EMPLOYEE PENSION PLAN OR SIMPLE U.S. AND THE NETHERLANDS FOR THE AVOIDANCE OF RETIREMENT ACCOUNT WOULD NOT QUALIFY DOUBLE TAXATION IN ANY TAXABLE YEAR IF LESS FOR TREATY BENEFITS UNDER ARTICLE 35 OF THAN 70% OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF WITHDRAWALS FROM SUCH U.S. TRUST DURING THAT YEAR IS USED THE TREATY BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE NETHERLANDS FOR THE AVOIDANCE OF DOUBLE TO PROVIDE PENSION, RETIREMENT OR OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AS MEANT IN ARTICLE 35 OF THE **TAXATION?** ABOVE MENTIONED TREATY. CITIBANK, N.A. ONLY ACCEPTS CLAIMS FILED BY THE WILL CITIBANK, N.A. ACCEPT CLAIMS FILED DTC PARTICIPANT WHO HELD THE SECURITIES DIRECTLY TO THEM BY BENEFICIAL HOLDERS? THROUGH DTC AND ONLY TO THE EXTENT THAT DTC HAS REPORTED THESE HOLDINGS TO US AS VALID. TO OBTAIN AN APPROVED E-CODE FOR A FOREIGN EXEMPT BENEFICIAL HOLDER HARD COPY DOCUMENTATION (TYPICALLY DIV 16 APPLICATION HOW CAN LOBTAIN AN APPROVED ELECTRONIC FORM) MUST BE SENT TO THE DUTCH TAX FILING CODE? AUTHORITIES (DTA). THE DOCUMENTATION IS REVIEWED AND THE BENEFICIAL HOLDER IS JUDGED BY THE DTA. NO, THE DTA ISSUES E-CODES TO ALL BENEFICIAL HOLDERS THAT THEY JUDGE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO IF I HAVE AN ELECTRONIC FILING CODE, IS THE KNOW IF AN E-CODE IS APPROVED PLEASE CONTACT BENEFICIAL HOLDER APPROVED? CITIBANK, N.A. WITH THE BENEFICIAL HOLDER'S NAME AND ADDRESS.

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs) LONG FORM QUESTIONS **QUESTION ANSWER** HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE FOR PAYMENT ON APPROXIMATELY 4-6 MONTHS. LONG FORM CLAIMS? WILL I BE PAID THROUGH DTC FOR CLAIMS SUBMITTED THROUGH THE LONG FORM NO, YOU WILL BE PAID BY CHECK. PROCESS? ARTICLE 35 U.S. PENSION & IRAS, ARTICLE 36 U.S. CHARITABLE ENTITIES, AND FOREIGN EXEMPT ENTITIES WITH APPROVED E-CODES MUST ONLY PROVIDE THE BENEFICIAL HOLDER BREAKDOWN VIA ESP. NON-U.S. ENTITIES WITHOUT AN APPROVED E-CODE DO I NEED TO PHYSICALLY SEND ANY MUST PROVIDE A COVER LETTER, THE TAX FORM DIV DOCUMENTS TO CITIBANK, N.A. IN ORDER TO 16, COR, AND THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION AS PARTICIPATE IN THE QUICK REFUND PROCESS? DEFINED IN DESCRIPTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTATION. ENTITIES CLAIMING THE FAVORABLE RATE MUST PROVIDE THE BENEFICIAL HOLDER BREAKDOWN VIA ESP AND THE CERTIFIED IB92 OR IB93 AS DEFINED IN DESCRIPTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTATION. NO, ALL CLAIMS WILL BE PROCESSED THOUGH THERE DOES THE LONG FORM PROCESS HAVE A IS A MINIMUM FEE OF \$25 PER BENEFICIAL HOLDER. MINIMUM POSITION REQUIREMENT PER CITIBANK, N.A. WAIVES THE \$25 MINIMUM ON AN BENEFICIAL HOLDER? WHAT WILL THE FEE BE IF EXCEPTIONAL BASIS IN FAVOR OF A SPLIT OF THE A BENEFICIAL HOLDER'S CLAIM IS FOR LESS RECLAIMED FUNDS (50/50) FOR ANY BENEFICIAL THAN \$50? HOLDER RECLAIMING LESS THAN \$50. NO. THIS TAX RECLAIM ASSISTANCE SERVICE IS WHOLLY VOLUNTARY AND DISCRETIONARY. FEES WILL BE CHARGED FOR THIS ASSISTANCE SERVICE OF UP TO \$0.01 NYRS SHARE FOR STANDARD LONG FORM RECLAIMS WITH A MINIMUM OF \$25.00. RECLAIMS RECEIVED POST DEADLINE CANNOT BE ASSURED AND IS THE LONG FORM PROCESS FREE OF MAY BE SUBJECT TO A PER BENEFICIARY FEE AS WELL AS OTHER CHARGES, FEES OR EXPENSES PAYABLE CHARGE? BY OR DUE TO CITIBANK, N.A. OR ITS AGENTS, INCLUDING THE TAX AUTHORITIES. IN ADDITION, CHARGES MAY APPLY TO ANY LONG FORM CLAIMS REJECTED OR NOT ACCEPTED BY THE TAX AUTHORITY. FEES PAID TO CITIBANK, N.A. MAY BE SHARED WITH ITS AGENTS. IS THIS LONG FORM PROCESS FOR TAX RELIEF OFFERED BY CITIBANK, N.A. AN OPTIONAL YES, THIS IS A DISCRETIONARY, OPTIONAL SERVICE. PROCESS?

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs) STOCK OPTION QUESTIONS **QUESTION ANSWER** YES, PHILIPS WILL BE WITHHOLDING 15% ON THE CAN I RECLAIM THE WITHHOLDING TAX IF I HAVE NOMINAL VALUE (EUR 0.20) OF THIS DIVIDEND. ELECTED STOCK INSTEAD OF CASH? ELIGIBLE ENTITIES CAN RECLAIM THIS 15%. THE STOCK OPTION HAS THE SAME ELIGIBILITY AS THE WHAT ENTITIES ARE ELIGIBLE TO RECLAIM THE 15% STOCK OPTION? CASH OPTION. PLEASE SEE ELIGIBILITY MATRIX. NO, YOU WILL NEED TO CLAIM VIA ESP OR CAN I RECLAIM MY STOCK THROUGH EDS? TRADITIONAL LONG FORM. WHAT DOCUMENTS DO I NEED TO SEND TO YOU WILL ONLY NEED TO SUBMIT A BREAKDOWN OF CITIBANK, N.A. IN ORDER TO RECLAIM ON MY YOUR BENEFICAL OWNERS VIA ESP. STOCK ELECTION? WILL THE PER NYRS RECLAIM CHARGE BE NO, THE PRICING IS THE SAME FOR RECLAIMS ON DIFFERENT ON STOCK POSITION? STOCK OR CASH POSITIONS.

# EXHIBIT A — COVER LETTER

(Please place on your Company Letterhead)

# **Tax Relief Request Form**

ISSUE: KONINKLIJKE PHILIPS ELECTRONICS

CUSIP: 500472303 RECORD DATE: May 12, 2015 PAY DATE: June 10, 2015

Name of Beneficial Holder	Address of Beneficial Holder	Tax Payer I.D. #	Type of Account	# of NYRS Held	Reclaim %
1)					
2)					
Note: for more than 10 Beneficial Holders, please provide an excel breakdown of shareholder information					

We ask that GlobeTax, file these withholding tax relief requests for the above-mentioned beneficial holder(s). Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.

### INDEMNIFICATION

I/We have determined that the beneficial holder(s) of the shares (individual or legal entity) is eligible for the preferential rates as stated herein and I declare that I have performed all the necessary due diligence to satisfy myself as to the accuracy of the information submitted to me by these beneficial holders.

I/ We hereby certify that I/We will indemnify Citibank, N.A., (and its agents) for any liability Citibank, N.A. may incur as a result of reliance upon information provided by such Participant in connection with an CA WEB election, a claim for refund, or a failure to provide information requested by the Dutch Tax Authorities. Citibank, N.A. shall not be liable for failure to secure the refund. The Participant shall be liable for any loss due to foreign exchange fluctuation. The Participant agrees to immediately return to Citibank, N.A. any funds erroneously received as a result of an improper CA WEB election or refund claim. In addition, The Participant agrees to pay any interest, additions to tax or penalties thereon. This is not tax advice. Please consult your tax advisor.

Sincerely,	
Title: Address: DTC Participant #:	
Completed claims should be sent to:	Citibank, N.A. / GlobeTax 90 Broad Street, 16th Floor

New York, NY 10004 Attn: Dutch Reclaim Group