



Important Notice
The Depository Trust Company

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Date:	May 20, 2022
To:	All Participants
Category:	Tax Relief, Distributions
From:	International Services
Attention:	Operations, Reorg & Dividend Managers, Partners & Cashiers
Subject:	<u>Tax Relief</u> – Country: NETHERLANDS <u>Security:</u> SIGNIFY NV <u>CUSIP:</u> 82670P101 <u>Record Date:</u> 05/20/2022 <u>Payable Date:</u> 06/14/2022 <u>Quick Refund CA Web Cut-Off:</u> 07/01/2022 8:00 PM ET

Participants can use DTC’s Corporate Actions Web (CA Web) service to certify all or a portion of their position entitled to the applicable withholding tax rate. Participants are urged to consult TaxInfo respectively before certifying their instructions over the CA Web.

Important: Prior to certifying tax withholding instructions, participants are urged to read, understand and comply with the information in the Legal Conditions category found on TaxInfo on the CA Web.

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

Important Legal Information: *The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”) does not represent or warrant the accuracy, adequacy, timeliness, completeness or fitness for any particular purpose of the information contained in this communication, which is based in part on information obtained from third parties and not independently verified by DTC and which is provided as is. The information contained in this communication is not intended to be a substitute for obtaining tax advice from an appropriate professional advisor. In providing this communication, DTC shall not be liable for (1) any loss resulting directly or indirectly from mistakes, errors, omissions, interruptions, delays or defects in such communication, unless caused directly by gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of DTC, and (2) any special, consequential, exemplary, incidental or punitive damages.*

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.

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SIGNIFY NV has announced a dividend and Citibank, N.A. acts as one of the Depositories for the company's Depositary Receipt ("DR") program.

Participants may use DTC's Corporate Actions Web ("CA Web") instructions tab to certify all or a portion of their position entitled to each applicable withholding tax rate. Use of this instruction method will permit entitlement amounts to be paid through DTC. By making submissions of such certifications the submitter warrants that it has the required authority to make them, that the party for which the submission is made is eligible therefore, and will indemnify, as applicable, Globe Tax Services, Inc., the applicable depository, the applicable custodian, and other acting, directly or indirectly, in reliance thereon, including for any inaccuracy therein.

On DR pay date, all owners will receive this dividend net of the full Netherlands statutory rate with the possibility to obtain a post-pay date refund as outlined in the Eligibility Matrix.

QUICK REFUND CHANGES

BENEFICIARIES CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE ARE THOSE WITH AN ASSIGNED DUTCH TAX ID #S AT THE TIME OF ESP SUBMISSION. UPON QUICK REFUND SUBMISSION, ESP WILL ADVISE BROKERS WHICH BENEFICIARIES WILL BE FILED VIA QUICK REFUND AND WHICH WILL BE MOVED TO LONG FORM.

DIVIDEND EVENT MATRIX

ISSUE	CUSIP#	UNDERLYING ISIN	DR RECORD DATE	ORD PAY DATE	DR PAY DATE	RATIO (DR to ORD)	ORD RATE	XBRL
SIGNIFY NV	82670P101	NL0011821392	MAY 20, 2022	MAY 31, 2022	JUNE 14, 2022	2:1	EUR 1.45	N/A

FEES & DEADLINES

SFILING METHOD	BATCH	PAYMENT METHOD	CUSTODIAL FEE	DSC FEE	MINIMUM FEE PER BENEFICIAL OWNER	FINAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE (ESP)
QUICK REFUND	PRIMARY BATCH	DTC	N/A	UP TO \$0.01 PER DR	\$0	ESP ELECTION DEADLINE: JUNE 24, 2022 8:00 P.M. EST
						CA WEB ELECTION DEADLINE: JULY 1, 2022 8:00 P.M. EST
LONG FORM	POST-CA WEB PROCESS; ONGOING	CHECK OR ACH	N/A	UP TO \$0.01 PER DR	\$25	OCTOBER 31, 2027 8:00 P.M. EST

Indemnification:

I/We have determined that the beneficial owner(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 owners. I/we hereby certify that I/we will indemnify Citibank, N.A., BNY Mellon, Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (and its agents) for any liability Citibank, N.A., BNY Mellon, Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (and its agents) may incur, including without limitations any sanctions-related liability such as fines, penalties, costs and/or fees relating to government inquiries, investigations, or enforcement actions, as a result of reliance upon information provided by such Participant in connection with a C.A. Web election, a claim for refund, or a failure to provide information requested by the Tax Authorities. Citibank, N.A., BNY Mellon, Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, 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., BNY Mellon, Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. any funds erroneously received as a result of an improper C.A. 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.

ELIGIBILITY MATRIX

Note: All information related to eligibility and documentation requirements can be found on the [ESP](#) site by visiting the relevant event and viewing the [Eligibility Matrix](#). If you need access to ESP, please complete the [New User Registration](#) form, and our team of market experts would be pleased to help you get set up.

For each Country's general Eligibility Matrix, please see ESP's [Reference Guide](#).

ESP



Citibank, N.A. offers [ESP](#) powered by GlobeTax, an electronic withholding tax submission system. This system allows for the secure and simplified transfer of beneficial owner level data from the Participant to GlobeTax and creates applicable documentation on the Participants' behalf.

Review eligibility, document requirements, submit disclosure, print out the documents on letterhead, sign them, and mail the necessary documents to GlobeTax.

Please contact us via the [ESP Service Desk](#) at 212-747-9100 if you have any questions about this process.

CONTACT DETAILS

DOMESTIC PHONE (U.S.)	1-800-628-4646
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CITY/STATE/ZIP	NEW YORK, NY 10004

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

GENERAL QUESTIONS

<p>Will I receive a declaration in lieu of Dividend Note (“DLD” or “CERT”) for my Article 35 Pensions or Article 36 Charities?</p>	<p>No, all declarations in lieu of Dividend Notes are maintained by the Depository, to be released only upon written request by the Participant.</p>
<p>Am I required to file through ESP?</p>	<p>No, you may submit a traditional claim through standard mail if you cannot submit client data through ESP. We strongly suggest logging in to ESP to download the template provided when preparing your claim, regardless of your ultimate submission method.</p>
<p>Is there any case in which a U.S. Resident 401(a), 401(k), 457(b), 403(b), IRA, Roth IRA, Employee Pension Plan or Simple Retirement Account would not qualify for Treaty Benefits under Article 35 of the Treaty between the U.S. and the Netherlands?</p>	<p>Yes, for instance, these account types will not be considered eligible for treaty benefits under Article 35 of the treaty between the U.S. and the Netherlands for the avoidance of Double Taxation in any taxable year if less than 70% of the total amount of withdrawals from such U.S. Trust during that year is used to provide Pension, Retirement, or other Employee benefits as meant in Article 35 of the above mentioned treaty.</p>
<p>Will Citibank, N.A. accept claims filed directly to them by Beneficial Owners?</p>	<p>No, Citibank, N.A. only accepts claims filed by the DTC participant who held the securities through DTCC and only to the extent that DTCC has reported these holdings to us as valid.</p>
<p>Is there a possibility of audit by the Local Tax Authority?</p>	<p>Yes, the Dutch Tax Authority reserves the right to request further information and documentation regarding submitted claims.</p>
<p>What documentation is required for Beneficial Owners who have not received a Dutch RSIN?</p>	<p>U.S. Pension and Charities (not including IRAs) who have not received a Dutch RSIN will be required to submit a 6166 that certifies the BO as an eligible us tax exempt entity. The 6166 must be valid within two years of the current date.</p> <p>Non-us tax exempt entities are required to submit a Certificate of Residency and other documents to prove their comparability to a Dutch tax exempt entity such as: Articles of Association, Trust Deed, Annual Account, and/or Pension Plan. Beneficial Owners that cannot supply this documentation will not be issued a Dutch RSIN and therefore will not eligible for a refund of Dutch withholding tax.</p>

QUICK REFUND QUESTIONS

<p>Will I be paid through DTCC for claims submitted through the Quick Refund process?</p>	<p>Yes.</p>
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<p>Do I need to physically send any documents to GlobeTax in order to participate in the Quick Refund process?</p>	<p>Article 35 U.S. Pension and IRAs and Article 36 U.S Charitable entities must provide only the Beneficial Owner breakdown via ESP.</p> <p>Non-U.S. Exempt entities must provide the Beneficial Owner breakdown via ESP and Certificate of Residency, Trust Deed, Annual Account, and/or Pension Plan upon request.</p> <p>Non-U.S. entities claiming the Favorable Rate must provide the Beneficial Owner breakdown via ESP and the Certificate of Residency upon request.</p>
<p>Is the Quick Refund process free of charge?</p>	<p>No. This tax reclaim assistance service is wholly voluntary and discretionary. Quick refund applications received post deadline will be rejected. Fees will be charged for this assistance service of up to \$0.01 per DR, and any other charges, fees or expenses payable by or due to Citibank, N.A. or its agents, including the tax authorities or regulators. Fees paid to Citibank, N.A. may be shared with its agents.</p>
<p>Is the Quick Refund process for Tax Relief offered by Citibank, N.A. an optional process?</p>	<p>Yes, this is a discretionary, optional service.</p>
<p>LONG FORM QUESTIONS</p>	
<p>Will I be paid through DTCC for claims submitted through the Long Form process?</p>	<p>No, you will be paid by check or ACH.</p>
<p>Do I need to physically send any documents to GlobeTax in order to participate in the Long Form process?</p>	<p>Article 35 U.S. Pension & IRAs and Article 36 U.S. Charitable entities must only provide the Beneficial Owner breakdown via ESP.</p> <p>Non-U.S. Exempt entities must provide the Beneficial Owner breakdown via ESP and Certificate of Residency, Trust Deed, Annual Account, and/or Pension Plan upon request.</p> <p>Non-U.S. entities claiming the Favorable Rate must provide the Beneficial Owner breakdown via ESP and the Certificate of Residency upon request.</p>
<p>Does the Long Form process have a minimum position requirement per Beneficial Owner?</p> <p>What will the fee be if a Beneficial Owner's claim is for less than \$50?</p>	<p>No, there is no minimum position requirement per Beneficial Owner for Long Form.</p> <p>Reclaims less than \$50 are subjected to a split of the reclaim funds (50/50).</p>

Warning & Disclaimer:

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