



Important Notice
The Depository Trust Company

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Date:	March 24, 2023
To:	All Participants
Category:	Tax Relief, Distributions
From:	International Services
Attention:	Operations, Reorg & Dividend Managers, Partners & Cashiers
Subject:	<u>Tax Relief - Country:</u> Spain <u>Security:</u> BANCO BILBAO VIZCAYA ARGENTARIA <u>CUSIP:</u> 05946K101 <u>Record Date:</u> 04/04/2023 <u>Payable Date:</u> 04/20/2023 <u>CA Web Deadline:</u> 04/5/2023 8:00 PM E.T <u>Quick Refund Deadline:</u> 04/28/2023 8:00 PM E.T

*******One Day Election Window*******

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 before certifying their instructions over 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 over the CA Web.

Questions regarding this Important Notice may be directed to GlobeTax at 1-212-747-9100.

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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BANCO BILBAO VIZCAYA ARGENTARIA has announced a cash dividend and BNY Mellon acts as Depository for the Depository 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. By electing, Participants agree to the **Agreements, Fees, Representations and Indemnification from Participants and Beneficial Owners** below.

On DR pay date, all holders will have the opportunity to receive their full treaty benefits as outlined in the “Eligibility Matrix - At Source, Quick Refund & Long Form.” All uncertified holders will receive this dividend net of the full Spanish statutory withholding tax of 19% with the possibility to reclaim as outlined in the “Eligibility Matrix - At Source, Quick Refund & Long Form.” After the CA Web window closes, beneficial owners will have the ability to obtain a quick refund or a long-form refund for the difference between the statutory rate and the beneficial owner’s rate of entitlement by submitting the required documentation outlined in the Eligibility Matrix.

SCANS OF DOCUMENTATION FOR RELIEF AT SOURCE MUST BE PROVIDED TO GLOBETAX ON APRIL 5, 2023 BY 5 P.M. EST TO BE CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE.

INDIVIDUALS NEED TO PROVIDE PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH THROUGH ESP.

ALL CERTIFICATES OF RESIDENCY AND 6166 DOCUMENTS MUST BE ORIGINAL, VALID FOR THE ORDINARY PAY DATE, AND CITE THE TAX TREATY BETWEEN THE BENEFICIAL OWNER’S COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE AND SPAIN.

LONG FORM CLAIMS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE ADVISED IN THIS NOTICE MAY BE SUBJECT TO A 200 EURO LATE FEE.

DIVIDEND EVENT MATRIX

ISSUE	CUSIP#	UNDERLYING ISIN	DR RECORD DATE	ORD PAY DATE	DR PAY DATE	RATIO (DR to ORD)	ORD RATE
BANCO BILBAO VIZCAYA ARGENTARIA	05946K101	ES0113211835	APRIL 4, 2023	APRIL 5, 2023	APRIL 20, 2023	1 : 1	EUR 0.31

FEES & DEADLINES

FILING METHOD	BATCH	PAYMENT METHOD	CUSTODIAL FEE	TAX RELIEF FEE	MINIMUM FEE PER BENEFICIAL OWNER	FINAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE
RELIEF AT SOURCE	PAYMENT ON PAY DATE	DTC	NO FEE	UP TO \$0.0017 PER DR	\$0	CA WEB/ESP ELECTION DEADLINE: APRIL 5, 2023, 8:00 PM EST
						DOCUMENTATION DEADLINE: APRIL 6, 2023, 5:00 PM EST
QUICK REFUND	PRIMARY POST PAY DATE	DTC	NO FEE	UP TO \$0.0017 PER DR	\$0	CA WEB/ESP ELECTION DEADLINE: APRIL 28, 2023, 8:00 PM EST
						DOCUMENTATION DEADLINE: MAY 1, 2023, 5:00 PM EST
LONG FORM	POST PAY DATE PROCESS, ONGOING	CHECK OR ACH	NO FEE	UP TO \$0.003 PER DR	\$25.00	FEBRUARY 1, 2027

RECLAIM RATE	MINIMUM DR SHARES REQUIRED *LONG FORM ONLY*
1%	7,500
4%	1,875
7%	1,072
9%	834
14%	536
19%	395

Agreements, Fees, Representations and Indemnification from 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 disclosed in the DTC Important Notice posted for this event and type of claim we are submitting (Relief At-Source, Quick Refund or Long Form) and any other charges, fees or expenses payable by or due to BNY Mellon or its agents, including the (respective) 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.

We hereby agree in addition to statutory and documentation requirements, and the deduction of fees, tax relief benefits will be subject to review and approval, and potential audits by the applicable custodian and applicable tax regulators, and that BNY Mellon is not providing any legal, tax, accounting or other professional advice on these matters and has expressly disclaimed any liability whatsoever for any loss howsoever arising from or in reliance hereto. Participants and/or investors should seek advice based upon their own particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

We certify 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. Furthermore, in the event of an audit we agree to provide any and all documentation required by the respective Tax Authority.

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.



By using this tax relief assistance service, you are authorizing and directing the disclosure of your personal information to the tax agent, the custodian, the tax authority and their respective agents. You acknowledge and agree that such disclosure may involve your personal data being sent to a tax agent, custodian, tax authority and their respective agents located in a country outside of that in which you reside.

In the event that the General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679 (GDPR) or similar laws apply with regard to this tax relief assistance service, we certify that each of the beneficial owners identified, in providing this information and as indicated by Owner's signature below, expressly consents to the processing and transfer of their personal data outside of their country of residence. BNY Mellon will retain personal data in accordance with the GDPR and for further information about our data protection policies and procedures please refer to our Data Protection Policy, which can be found at <https://www.bnymellon.com/emea/en/privacy-policy.html>.

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](#).

BNY Mellon 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 Participant's behalf.

Submit the data online through the web site below, print out the documents on letterhead, sign them, and mail them to GlobeTax, along with the necessary required documents.

These claims should be submitted through the following website.

<https://ESP.GlobeTax.com>

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.)	1-800-915-3536
DOMESTIC FAX (U.S.)	1-800-985-3536
INTERNATIONAL PHONE	1-212-747-9100
INTERNATIONAL FAX	1-212-747-0029
GROUP EMAIL	SPAINESP@GLOBETAX.COM
COMPANY	GLOBETAX
STREET ADDRESS	ONE NEW YORK PLAZA, 34TH FLOOR
CITY/STATE/ZIP	NEW YORK, NY 10004

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

AT-SOURCE & QUICK REFUND QUESTIONS

<p>Are the At-Source or Quick Refund processes free of charge?</p>	<p>No. This at-source or quick refund tax 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 \$0.0017 per depositary receipt 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 and affiliates.</p>
<p>What is the minimum amount of shares necessary in order to be eligible for reclaim?</p>	<p>There is no share minimum for at-source or quick refund reclaims.</p>

GENERAL QUESTIONS

Is the Long Form process free of charge?	No. This tax 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 \$0.003 per depository receipt with a minimum of \$25.00, and any other charges, fees or expenses payable by or due to BNY Mellon may be shared with their agents. Including the custodian or to tax authorities or regulators. Fees paid to BNY Mellon may be shared with its agents and affiliates.
Is there a minimum claim value in USD necessary in order to be eligible for reclaim?	The suggested minimum reclaim value is at least \$75.00.
Can I submit one IRS form 6166 or certificate of residency for the same beneficial owner for multiple pay dates?	Yes. As long as the COR has a tax year the same year as the local pay date it may be used again. You can access this information via ESP.
What is the difference between the Peticion de Reduccion and the Peticion de Devolucion?	The forms are similar; however, the Peticion de Reduccion is for the quick refund process and the Peticion de Devolucion is for the standard long form process
Will GlobeTax accept claims filed directly to them by beneficial owners?	GlobeTax only accepts claims filed by the DTCC participant who was holding the securities through DTC and only to the extent that DTC has reported these holdings to us as valid.
Are there special requirements on the certificate of residency for Canadian, Swiss, and UK pension funds?	The certificate of residency must explicitly mention the protocol under which the holder qualifies as a tax exempt pension scheme under the DTT. Example: "Certifies that the pension scheme is resident in Canada in accordance of the article 10 of the DTT as modified by protocol signed between Canada and Spain on mm/dd/year."
Are EU-based UCITS (undertakings for the collective investment of transferable securities) eligible for reclaims?	Yes, UCITS are eligible for a withholding tax rate of 1% if they provide a certificate of residency for the dividend tax year and an original certified UCITS Attestation from the appropriate government bureau of the beneficial owner's country of residence. Please also notify Globetax at SpainESP@globetax.com so we may apply the special UCITS rate to your claim upon validation of documents received.

Warning and Disclaimer:

BNY Mellon will not be responsible for the truth or accuracy of any submissions received by it and all Participants and holders, whether or not following the procedures set forth herein or otherwise submitting any information, agree to indemnify and hold harmless BNY Mellon and their agents for any and all losses, liabilities and fees (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) incurred by any of them in connection herewith or arising herefrom. BNY Mellon and their agents will be relying upon the truth and accuracy of any and all submissions received by them in connection with the tax relief process and shall hold all participants and DR holders liable and responsible for any losses incurred in connection therewith or arising there from. There is no guarantee that the applicable tax authorities will accept submissions for relief. Neither BNY Mellon nor their agents shall be responsible or liable to any holders of DRs in connection with any matters related to, arising from, or in connection with the tax relief process described herein. See also "Agreements, Fees, Representations and Indemnification" above.

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 publication, the local market rules will prevail.