



**Important Notice**  
The Depository Trust Company

<b>B #:</b>	20224-24
<b>Date:</b>	September 10, 2024
<b>To:</b>	All Participants
<b>Category:</b>	Tax Relief, Distributions
<b>From:</b>	International Services
<b>Attention:</b>	Operations, Reorg & Dividend Managers, Partners & Cashiers
<b>Subject:</b>	<b><u>Tax Relief Country:</u></b> Sweden <b><u>Security:</u></b> AXFOOD <b><u>CUSIP:</u></b> 05459X102 <b><u>Record Date:</u></b> 09/20/2024 <b><u>Payable Date:</u></b> 10/10/2024 <b><u>Relief at Source CA Web Cut-Off:</u></b> 09/25/2024 8:00 PM ET <b><u>Quick Refund CA Web Cut-Off:</u></b> 10/23/2024 8:00 PM ET

Participants can use DTC's Corporate Action 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.

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**AXFOOD** has announced a cash dividend and BNY acts as one of the Depositories for the 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. By electing, Participants agree to the **Agreements, Fees, Representations and Indemnification from Participants and Beneficial Owners** below.

On ADR pay date, all record date holders will have the opportunity to receive their full treaty benefits as outlined in the “Eligibility Matrix.” All other holders will receive this dividend net of the full Swedish statutory withholding tax of 30% with the possibility to reclaim.

- PLEASE NOTE:**
- UK tax resident individuals and IRAs are no longer eligible for At-Source/ Quick Refund tax treaty benefits. Eligibility available only for Long Form.
  - Scanned copies of long form claim documentation are acceptable. Original documents are no longer required upon submission. The Swedish Tax Authority reserves the right to request original documents as needed and therefore should be kept on file. However, exception applies for Switzerland domicile beneficial owners. Please see the ESP Eligibility Matrix for further details.
  - Quick Refund Only: If a beneficiary was previously paid at a favorable rate and is submitting a second claim to further reduce their tax liability in Sweden, then they should be disclosed on GlobeTax’s ESP system but not elected for on DTC’s CA Web. The payment will be made at the same time as the quick refund adjustment at DTC but will be made by GlobeTax directly to the DTC Participant either through ACH (if you are enrolled in the ACH service) or by check.

DIVIDEND EVENT MATRIX							
ISSUE	CUSIP#	UNDERLYING ISIN	DR RECORD DATE	ORD PAY DATE	DR PAY DATE	RATIO (DR to ORD)	ORD RATE
AXFOOD	05459X102	SE0006993770	SEPTEMBER 20, 2024	SEPTEMBER 25, 2024	OCTOBER 10, 2024	1 : 1	4.25 SEK

*FEES & DEADLINES*								
FILING METHOD	BATCH	PAYMENT METHOD	SHARE MINIMUM (DRs)	CUSTODIAL FEE	TAX RELIEF FEE		MINIMUM FEE PER BENEFICIAL OWNER	FINAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE (ESP)
					FAVORABLE	EXEMPT		
RELIEF AT SOURCE	PAYMENT ON PAY DATE	DTC	N/A	N/A	UP TO \$0.005 PER DR	UP TO \$0.0075 PER DR	\$0	SEPTEMBER 25, 2024 8:00 P.M. EST
QUICK REFUND	POST-RAS PROCESS; ONGOING THROUGH DEADLINE	DTC	N/A	N/A	UP TO \$0.01 PER DR		\$0	OCTOBER 23, 2024 8:00 P.M. EST
LONG FORM	POST-CA WEB PROCESS; ONGOING	CHECK OR ACH	N/A	N/A	UP TO \$0.01 PER DR		\$25.00	OCTOBER 31, 2029

The Fees are that of The Bank of New York as First Filer. Deadlines are set by GlobeTax Services.

## 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, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas 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, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas 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, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas 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, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas' 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, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas 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, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas 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, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas 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, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas 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, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas 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](#).

# ESP



BNY, Citibank, N.A., Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, 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.

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
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INTERNATIONAL FAX	1-212-747-0029
GROUP EMAIL	<a href="mailto:SWEDENESP@GLOBETAX.COM">SWEDENESP@GLOBETAX.COM</a>
COMPANY	GLOBETAX SERVICES INC.
STREET ADDRESS	ONE NEW YORK PLAZA, 34 <sup>TH</sup> FLOOR
CITY/STATE/ZIP	NEW YORK, NY 10004

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

### AT SOURCE QUESTIONS

<b>Once I submit an At Source claim via ESP, how long will it take to be paid?</b>	Payment will be made on DR Pay Date.
<b>Will I be paid through DTC for claims submitted through the At Source process?</b>	<b>Yes.</b>
<b>Does the At Source process have a minimum position requirement per beneficial owner?</b>	<b>No.</b>
<b>What happens if the participant does not make a CA Web Election within the specified CA Web Election window?</b>	All shares will be withheld at the 30% tax rate.
<b>What happens if the participant makes Exempt or Favorable elections through DTC but fails to supply the required documentation to GlobeTax by the deadline indicated in the “Fee &amp; Deadlines” section?</b>	All unsupported shares will be moved to the 30% unfavorable rate category. You will have an opportunity to file through the DTC Quick Refund and Non-DTC long form process if this transpires. DTCC may impose a fee to enable the movement of shares back to the 30% rate.
<b>Is this process free of charge?</b>	<b>No.</b> This Tax Relief At Source assistance service is wholly voluntary and discretionary and outside the terms and conditions of any applicable deposit agreement. BNY, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas undertakes no duty or obligation to provide this service and may reject or decline any or all proposed electing participants or holders in their sole discretion. Fees will be charged for this service of up to \$0.0075 per Depository Receipt with no minimum, and any other charges, fees or expenses payable by or due to BNY, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas or their agents, including the custodian or to tax authorities or regulators. Fees paid to BNY, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas may be shared with their agents.

### QUICK REFUND/ LONG FORM QUESTIONS

<b>Will I be paid through DTC for claims submitted through the Quick Refund process?</b>	<b>Yes,</b> Quick Refund payment will be made through DTC.
<b>Does the process have a minimum position requirement per beneficial owner?</b>	<b>No.</b> There is a minimum fee of \$25 per beneficial owner for standard Long Form claims 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.
<b>Is this process free of charge?</b>	<b>No.</b> Quick Refund / Long Form assistance service is wholly voluntary and discretionary and outside the terms and conditions of any applicable deposit agreement. BNY, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas 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 Depository Receipt for Quick Refund and Long Form (with a minimum of \$25 for Long Form) and any other charges, fees or expenses payable by or due to BNY, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas or its agents, including the custodian or to tax authorities or regulators. Fees paid to BNY, Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas may be shared with its agents.

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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.