

Notice to Shareholders Regarding Unsolicited Advice from Overseas Brokers

Over the past year many companies have become aware that their shareholders have received unsolicited phone calls or correspondence concerning investment matters. These are typically from overseas based 'brokers' who target UK shareholders offering to sell them what often turn out to be worthless or high risk shares in US or UK investments.

These 'brokers' can be very persistent and extremely persuasive. A 2006 survey by the Financial Services Authority (FSA) has reported that the average amount lost by investors in such 'investments' is around £20,000. Many of the victims had been successfully investing for several years. Shareholders are advised to be very wary of any unsolicited advice, offers to buy shares at a discount or offers of free reports about the company.

If you receive unsolicited investment advice:

- Make sure you get the correct name of the person and organisation
- Check that they are properly authorised by the FSA before getting involved. You can check at www.fsa.gov.uk/register
- For your information the FSA also maintains on its website a list of unauthorised overseas firms who are targeting, or have targeted, UK investors and any approach from such organisations should be reported to the FSA so that this list can be kept up to date and any other appropriate action can be considered. If you deal with an unauthorised firm, you would not be eligible to receive payment under the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. The FSA can be contacted by completing an online form at www.fsa.gov.uk/pages/doing/regulated/law/alerts/overseas.shtml
- Please inform our Registrars, Equiniti on 0871 384 2082 or the International Power Company Secretariat on 0207 320 8706

Details of any shareholding facilities that the company endorses will be included in company mailings. Further information on this or similar activity can be found on the FSA website at www.fsa.gov.uk/consumerinformation/