

COMPANIES FORM No. 155(6)b

Declaration by the directors of a holding company in relation to assistance for the acquisition of shares

Pursuant to section 155(6) of the Companies Act 1985



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Please complete legibly, preferably (Address overleaf - Note 5)

Name of company

For official use Company number SC196089

Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering

Note Please read the notes on page 3 before

completing this form

- * insert full name of company
- ø insert name(s) and address(es) of all the directors

* Healthcare Scotland Limited (the "Company")

-I/We ø Please see Annex 1

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	appropriate

[the sole director] [all the directors]† of the above company (hereinafter called 'this company') do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

\$ delete whichever is inappropriate The business of this company is:

- (a) that -of -a [recognised-bank]- [licensed-institution]! within-the -meaning -of-the -Banking-Act 1979\$
- (b) that of a person-authorised-under-section 3 or 4-of the Insurance-Companies Act-1982-to-carry on insurance business in the United Kingdom§
- (c) something other than the above§

Presentor's name address and reference (if any):

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The assistance is for the purpose of [that purpose of that acquisition].† (note 1)	/	g or discharging	a liability incurred for the	Please do not write in this margin
purpose of trial acquisition].1 (note 1)	and/or,		ON THE TAS	Please completé legibly, preferabl
The number and class of the shares acquired	or to be acquired is:	150,002 Ordinary Sh	Shares of £0.001 each.	in black type, or bold block lettering
The assistance is to be given to: (note 2)	Ingleby (1620) Limited	(Company number	5236108) whose	_
registered office is situate at 100 Wilmslow Ro	ad, Heald Green, Chead	lle, Cheshire, SK8	BDG	_
The assistance will take the form of:				
Please see Annex 2.				1
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The person who [has-acquired] [will acquire]t Ingleby (1620) Limited	the shares is:			† delete as appropriate
The principal terms on which the assistance v	vill be given are:			
Please see Annex 3.				
The amount (if any) by which the net asserby giving it is Nil	ts of the company wh	nich is giving the	assistance will be reduced	d -
The amount of cash to be transferred to the p	erson assisted is £	Please see Anne	ex 4.	<u></u>
The value of any asset to be transferred to the	e person assisted is £	Nil		4767769 Page 2

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The date on which the assistance is to be given is

within 8 weeks of the date hereof

Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering

* delete either (a) or (b) as appropriate

H/We have formed the opinion, as regards this company's initial situation immediately following the date on which the assistance is proposed to be given, that there will be no ground on which it could then be found to be unable to pay its debts. (note 3)

- (a) H/We have formed the opinion that this company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due during the year immediately following that date]* (note 3)
- (b) -[It-is-intended-to-commence the -winding-up- of this-company-within-12 -months-of-that date, and-I/we -have-formed the opinion that this company will be able to pay its debts in full within 12-months of the -commencement of the-winding-up.]* (note 3)

And-I/we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

Declared at 3 Waternouse Square, 142 Holborn, Landon.

Declarants to sign below

Day Month Year

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before me

A Commissioner for Vaths or Notary Public or Justice of the Peace or a Solicitor having the powers conferred on a Commissioner for Oaths.

NOTES

- 1 For the meaning of "a person incurring a liability" and "reducing or discharging a liability" see section 152(3) of the Companies Act 1985.
- 2 Insert full name(s) and address(es) of the person(s) to whom assistance is to be given; if a recipient is a company the registered office address should be shown.
- 3 Contingent and prospective liabilities of the company are to be taken into account - see section 156(3) of the Companies Act 1985.
- 4 The auditors report required by section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985 must be annexed to this form.
- 5 The address for companies registered in England and Wales or Wales is:-

The Registrar of Companies Companies House Crown Way Cardiff **CF14 3UZ**

or, for companies registered in Scotland:-

The Registrar of Companies Companies House 37 Castle Terrace Edinburgh EH1 2EB

Form 155(6)b – Healthcare Scotland Limited (Company number SC196089) Healthcare England Limited (Company number SC224907) (the "Assisting Company")

Annex 1

Jonathan Alan Shaw of 6 Springhill, Higher Hurdsfield, Macclesfield, Cheshire, SK10 2PH Philip Batchelor of Eaves Farm House, Cross Lane, Croft, Warrington, WA3 7AR John Patrick Ward of 15 Handley Road, Bramhall, Stockport, Cheshire, SK7 3EX

Annex 2

The assistance will take the form of:

- A deed of accession to a senior facilities agreement (the "Senior Facilities Agreement") pursuant to which
 The Royal Bank of Scotland plc (the "Senior Lender") would make available a term loan, revolving
 credit, working capital and certain CAPEX facilities to Ingleby (1620) Limited (the "Borrower") for the
 purpose or otherwise in connection with the purchase of the entire issued share capital of Healthcare
 Scotland Limited ("HSL") and indirectly Affinity Healthcare Limited ("AHL") (the "Acquisition") by the
 Borrower.
- 2. A deed of accession to a senior mezzanine facility agreement (the "Senior Mezzanine Facility Agreement") pursuant to which RBS Mezzanine Limited (the "Mezzanine Lender") would make available a loan facility to the Borrower for the purpose of or otherwise in connection with the Acquisition.
- 3. A deed of accession to a junior mezzanine facility agreement (the "Junior Mezzanine Facility Agreement") pursuant to which the Mezzanine Lender would make available a term loan facility to the Borrower for the purpose of or otherwise in connection with the Acquisition. (The Senior Facilities Agreement, the Senior Mezzanine Facility Agreement and the Junior Mezzanine Facility Agreement are together referred to as the "Facilities Agreements")
- 4. A charge over shares (the "Charge over Shares") in favour of RBS in its capacity as security agent for the Finance Parties, the Senior Mezzanine Finance Parties and the Junior Mezzanine Finance Parties (as defined therein) creating a charge over the shares held by the Assisting Company in AHL as security for the payment and discharge of the Secured Obligations (as such term is defined in the Charge over Shares).
- 5. A floating charge (the "Floating Charge") in favour of The Royal Bank of Scotland plc as security agent for the Finance Parties the Senior Mezzanine Finance Parties and the Junior Mezzanine Finance Parties (as such term is defined in the Facilities Agreements) ("RBS") pursuant to which the Assisting Company, amongst others, covenants that it will discharge all monies and liabilities owing or incurred by, inter alia, the Borrower, Assisting Company or any other member of the Group (as such term is defined in the Floating Charge) (the "Secured Obligations") and pursuant to which the Assisting Company charges by way of floating charge its assets and undertakings as security for the Secured Obligations.
- 6. A deed of accession entered into by, amongst others, the Assisting Company (the "Deed of Accession") to an intercreditor deed (the "Intercreditor Deed") regulating respective rights and obligations of the parties thereto with respects to indebtedness from time to time due from, amongst others, the Assisting Company and the security interests created in relation thereto.
- 7. An intra-group loan agreement (the "Intra-Group Loan Agreement") whereby, inter alia, the Company agrees to lend sums of money to the Borrower (as such term is defined in the Intra-Group Loan Agreement) (the "Intra-Group Borrower") in order to facilitate, inter alia, the purchase by the Assisting Company of the entire issued share capital of AHL and the repayment of monies due under or in respect of the Facilities Agreements and the Investor Secured Obligations (as defined below).
- 8. A deed of accession to a guarantee and debenture (the "Investor Guarantee and Debenture") to be executed by the Assisting Company in favour of Duke Street Capital V Limited in its capacity as security trustee (the "Investor Security Trustee") for Duke Street Capital V UK No 1 Limited Partnership, Duke Street Capital V UK No 2 Limited Partnership, Duke Street Capital V UK No 3 Limited Partnership, Duke Street Capital V US No 1 Limited Partnership, Duke Street Capital V US No 2 Limited Partnership, Duke

Street Capital V US No 3 Limited Partnership in each case acting through its general partner, Duke Street Capital V Limited and Duke Street Capital V GmbH & Co. KG acting through its general partner, Duke Street Capital V Verwaltungs-GmbH (and their assigns and successors in title) (the "Duke Street Investors") and Philip Batchelor and John Ward (and their assigns and successors of title) (being, together with the Duke Street Investors, the "Investor Noteholders"), pursuant to which the Company guarantees the making of payment obligations by the Borrower to the Investor Noteholders incurred in part for the purpose of or otherwise in connection with the Acquisition (including amounts due from the Purchaser to the Duke Street Investors, pursuant to a counter-indemnity whereby the Borrower will agree, inter alia, to indemnify the Duke Street Investors against certain liabilities, costs and expenses incurred in connection with the indemnity to be provided by the Duke Street Investors to RBS) (together the "Investor Secured Obligations") and the Assisting Company charges by way of fixed and floating charge its assets and undertaking as security for the Investor Secured Obligations

- 9. A bond and floating charge (the "Bond and Floating Charge") to be executed by the Company in favour of the Investor Security Trustee pursuant to which the Company grants a floating charge over the whole of the assets of the Company (including uncalled capital) as security for the payment and discharge of, inter alia, the Investor Secured Obligations.
- 10. A security trust deed (the "Security Trust Deed") to be executed by the, inter alia, the Investor Security Trustee, the Investor Noteholders and the Assisting Company regulating the respective rights and obligations of the parties thereto with respects to the Security Trust Deed
- 11. An acquisition agreement (the "Acquisition Agreement") pursuant to which the Borrower inter alia, (a) agrees to pay certain costs incurred by the Seller (as such term is defined in the Acquisition Agreement) in connection with the Acquisition; (b) agrees to pay consideration due thereunder from the Borrower to the Sellers on deferred terms upon the sale of the groups property assets at 132 Finney Lane (title number GM746137), 102 Finney Lane (title number GM746137) and Middleton St George, Darlington (comprising all of title number DU123090 and part of DU13025) (the "Properties"); and (c) agrees that if any monies are paid from the Pension Scheme (as defined in the Acquisition Agreement) to any company in the Borrower, Cheadle Royal Healthcare Limited or to any other company in the Wider HSL Group or the Buyer's Group (as such terms are defined in the Acquisition Agreement) then the Borrower shall pay an equivalent amount to the Sellers.

Annex 3

The principal terms on which the assistance is given are:

- By acceding to the Facilities Agreements, the Assisting Company would become a guarantor in respect of
 the Secured Obligations incurred by the Borrower and would agree to guarantee and indemnify the Senior
 Lender and/or the Senior Mezzanine Lender and/or the Junior Mezzanine Lender (together the "Lenders")
 against, inter alia, certain losses incurred by the Lenders by reason, directly or indirectly, of the Lender
 entering in the Facilities Agreements and would agree to be subject to rights of set-off in respect of any
 matured obligation due from the Assisting Company to the Lenders.
- 2. By executing the Charge over Shares, the Assisting Company would in accordance with its terms, as security for payment and discharge of the Secured Obligations, charge the shares it holds in AHL. The Assisting Company also grants an indemnity in favour of RBS as security agent for the Finance Parties, the Senior Mezzanine Finance Parties and the Junior Mezzanine Finance Parties against losses incurred as a result of, inter alia, the Assisting Company breaching its obligations thereunder. The Company agrees to execute such further documents as the Security Agent shall require for perfecting or protecting its security.
- 3. By executing the Floating Charge, the Assisting Company is to create a floating charge over all of its assets and undertakings (both present and future) in favour of RBS as security for payment and discharge of the Secured Obligations. The Assisting Company also grants an indemnity in favour of RBS against losses incurred as a result of, inter alia, the Assisting Company breaching its obligations thereunder.
- 4. By acceding to the Intercreditor Deed, the Assisting Company agrees that it will, amongst others, acknowledge the arrangements, rights and obligations of the parties to the Intercreditor Deed and agree to act in accordance with those arrangements with respect to (a) certain security in favour of RBS in its capacity as security agent and the Investor Security Trustee; (b) certain indebtedness from time to time

incurred by (inter alios) the Borrower and the Assisting Company in connection with the granting of the facilities by the Senior Lender and/or the Senior Mezzanine Lender and/or the Junior Mezzanine Lender; and (c) certain indebtedness incurred in connection with the Acquisition.

- 5. By executing the Intra-Group Loan Agreement, the Assisting Company would agree to make available to the Intra-Group Borrower, inter alia, a loan facility up to the principal amounts outstanding under the Facilities Agreements or such other amount as agreed between the parties from time to time, to be used by the Intra-Group Borrower to make payments which become due under the Facilities Agreements or such other purpose as the parties may agree. Certain cash balances of approximately £12 million in Healthcare Scotland Limited and the Assisting Company shall be employed to make loans pursuant to the Intra-Group Loan Agreement to discharge the liability of AHL, Middleton St George Healthcare Limited and Cheadle Royal Healthcare Limited to HSBC Bank plc and, in respect of the balance, to further make a loan to the Borrower to enable the Borrower to discharge the Seller's (as such term is defined in the Acquisition Agreement) costs and professional fees incurred in connection with the Acquisition.
- 6. By executing the Investor Guarantee and Debenture in favour of the Investor Security Trustee, the Company will:
 - (a) guarantee to the Investor Security Trustee to pay to it on demand the Investor Secured Obligations;
 - (b) covenant that as and when the Investor Secured Obligations become due for payment under the terms of the Investor Guarantee, it shall pay the Investor Secured Obligations to the Investor Security Trustee; and
 - (c) agree to be subject to rights of set-off in respect of the Investor Secured Obligations due for payment under the terms of the Investor Guarantee from the Assisting Company,

as security for the payment and discharge of the Investor Secured Obligations, charge in favour of the Investor Security Trustee, all its assets and undertaking by way of fixed and floating charges.

- 7. By exceeding the Bond and Floating Charge the Assisting Company grants a floating charge over the whole of the assets of the Assisting Company (including uncalled capital) as security for the payment and discharge of, inter alia, the Investor Secured Obligations.
- 8. By entering into the Security Trust Deed the Company agrees to acknowledge the arrangements, rights and obligations of the parties to the Security Trust Deed and agrees to act in accordance with those arrangements with respect of the Investor Guarantee and Debenture.
- 9. The Assisting Company will reduce and discharge liabilities incurred by the Borrower in connection with the Acquisition and as set out under the Acquisition Agreement. The Assisting Company will be providing assistance by, inter alia, (a) agreeing, to the extent that the net proceeds of sale of the Properties realised by the Assisting Company and employed by the Borrower pursuant to the Acquisition Agreement, to pay the deferred consideration thereunder, (b) agreeing to pay certain costs incurred by the Seller in connection with the Acquisition Agreement (c) agreeing that if any monies are paid from the Pension Scheme (as defined in the Acquisition Agreement) to pay an equivalent amount to the Sellers, each in consideration of intra-group indebtedness between the Assisting Company and the Borrower or otherwise by way of a gift.

Annex 4

All amounts transferred pursuant to the Intra-Group Loan Agreement.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF HEALTHCARE SCOTLAND LIMITED ("THE COMPANY") PURSUANT TO SECTION 156(4) OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the attached statutory declaration of the directors of the Company dated 23 December 2004 in connection with the proposal that the Company's subsidiary, Healthcare England Limited, should give financial assistance for the purchase of the Company's entire issued share capital.

This report is made solely to the directors of the Company for the purpose of section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the directors of the Company those matters that we are required to state to them in an auditors' report under that section and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company, for our work, for this report, or for the opinions that we have formed.

Basis of opinion

We have enquired into the state of the Company's affairs in order to review the bases for the statutory declaration.

Opinion

We are not aware of anything to indicate that the opinion expressed by the directors in their declaration as to any of the matters mentioned in section 156(2) of the Companies Act 1985 is unreasonable in all the circumstances.

Deloitte & Touche LLP

Manchester

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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13 December 2004