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In terms of the DLC structure, Investec plc shareholders who are not South African resident shareholders may receive all or part of their dividend entitlements through dividends declared and paid by Investec plc on their ordinary shares and/or through dividends declared and paid on the SA DAN share issued by Investec Limited.

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Notice is hereby given that a final dividend (No. 8) has been proposed by the board in respect of the financial year ended 31 March 2006. The Annual General Meeting of members at which the proposed dividend will be considered for approval is scheduled to take place on Thursday, 10 August 2006.

Shareholders in Investec plc will receive a total distribution of 53 pence (2005: 37 pence) per ordinary share, which will be paid as follows:-

- for non-South African resident Investec plc shareholders, through a dividend paid by Investec plc of 53 pence per ordinary share.
- for South African resident shareholders of Investec plc, through a dividend paid by Investec plc equivalent to 38 pence per ordinary share and through a dividend paid on the SA DAS share equivalent to 15 pence per ordinary share.

The relevant dates for the payment of the dividends are:

Last day to trade cum-dividend:

On the London Stock Exchange
On the JSE Limited
Tuesday, 25 July 2006
Friday, 21 July 2006

Shares commence trading ex-dividend:

On the London Stock Exchange
On the JSE Limited
Wednesday, 26 July 2006
Monday, 24 July 2006

Record date:

On the London Stock Exchange
On the JSE Limited
Friday, 28 July 2006
Friday, 28 July 2006

Payment date:

United Kingdom register
South African register
Monday, 14 August 2006
Monday, 14 August 2006

Share certificates on the South African branch register may not be dematerialised or rematerialised between Monday, 24 July 2006 and Friday, 28 July 2006, both dates inclusive, nor may transfers between the UK and SA registers take place between Monday, 24 July 2006 and Friday, 28 July 2006, both dates inclusive.

Shareholders registered on the South African register are advised that the total distribution of 53 pence, equivalent to 627 cents per share, has been arrived at using the Rand/Pounds Sterling average buy/sell forward rate, as at 11h00 (SA time) on 17 May 2006.

By order of the board R Vardy Company Secretary

18 May 2006