

TERMS OF INVITATION TO TENDER for NON-INDEXED TREASURY BILLS Auction date March 18, 2009

- 1. The Minister of Finance, acting on behalf of the Treasury, has decided to tender Treasury Bills in conformity with authorisations contained in the National Budget for the year 2009 and with reference to the provisions of the Act on the National Debt Management Agency, no. 43/1990, with subsequent amendments, and the agreement between the Ministry of Finance and the Central Bank of Iceland concerning the Government Debt Management agency, which was concluded on 4 September 2007. The aim of the issue is to acquire funds for the Treasury and to improve the interest rate structure in the domestic bond market. *The auction date is Wednesday, March 18, 2009. The date of payment and settlement is Friday, March 20, 2009.*
- 2. The following series of Treasury Bills will be offered: <u>Series</u> ISIN Maturity date **RIKV 09 0615** IS0000019222 15.06.2009

The maximum total amount offered in this auction will be 20,000 m.kr. nominal value.

The Central Bank reserves the right to accept all of the submitted bids, part of them or reject all of them.

- 3. The Treasury Bills are issued in dematerialised form by the Icelandic Securities Depository hf. The nominal value unit is one króna; that is, the nominal value and the number of units is the same. Treasury Bills are nonindexed.
- 4. Only primary dealers are authorised to submit bids. The minimum amount of each bid is 1 m.kr. nominal value. Bids shall be submitted in multiples of 1 m.kr.
- 5. Bids may only be sent to the Central Bank through the Bloomberg Auction System between 10:00 and 11:00 on the auction date (Icelandic local time). Bids shall be expressed on a price basis, with three decimals.
- 6. If bids do not reach the Central Bank due to system error or any other reason, the Central Bank disclaims all liability. Parties can obtain a confirmation of acceptance of their bids by calling the International and Market Department of the Central Bank of Iceland (tel: +354 569 9633). Bids that reach the Central Bank and are registered to individual terminals in the Bloomberg Auction System are binding and are the responsibility of

the person who is registered for that terminal. It is permissible to amend or withdraw bids by sending an appropriate message through the Bloomberg Auction System to the Central Bank before 11:00 on the auction date. If problems arise because of the use of the Bloomberg Auction System, the terms of "Form of Auction Process & BAS Back-Up Memorandum", which has been sent to all primary dealers that are authorised to submit bids, shall apply.

- 7. The Treasury reserves the right to reject bids entirely or accept bids in part.
- 8. The results of the auction will be published on the NASDAQ OMX Nordic Exchange in Iceland and sent to the primary dealers by e-mail.
- 9. Payments for the Treasury Bills in accordance with accepted bids in the auction must be received by the Central Bank before 14:00 on the date of payment, and the Bills will be delivered in electronic form on the same day. If payment is not received at the correct time, the Treasury reserves the right to claim from the bidder the maximum legal penalty interest for the duration of the delay.
- 10. The Treasury will pay the debt according to the aforementioned Treasury Bills on the maturity date. Any legal action resulting from these Treasury Bills or any disagreement concerning the interpretation of terms and conditions may be referred to the District Court of Reykjavík, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 17 of the Code of Civil Procedure, Act no. 91/1991. The expiry of claims in accordance with these Treasury Bills is subject to the provisions of the Act on Bills, no. 93/1933.
- 11. Treasury Bills are exempt from stamp duty in accordance with Act no. 79/1983. The tax liability or tax exemption of Treasury Bills and interest on them is subject to the provisions of the Act on Income and Property Tax, as current at any time. Treasury Bills must be declared on income tax returns.
- 12. These series of Treasury Bills are listed on the NASDAQ OMX Nordic Exchange in Iceland.