

TERMS OF INVITATION TO TENDER

for

NON-INDEXED TREASURY NOTES

Auction date January 23, 2009

- 1. The Minister of Finance, acting on behalf of the Treasury, has decided to tender Treasury Notes 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 Friday, January 23, 2009. The date of payment and settlement is Wednesday, January 28, 2009.
- 2. The following series of Treasury Notes will be offered:

Series	ISIN	Maturity date
RIKB 10 1210	IS00000018943	Dec. 12, 2010
RIKB 13 0517	IS00000006989	May 17, 2013
RIKB 19 0226	IS00000017077	Feb. 26, 2019

The maximum amount of this auction is estimated 10,000 m.kr. nominal value in series RIKB 10 1210 and 10,000 m.kr. nominal value in series RIKB 13 0517 and RIKB 19 0226. Total of 20.000 m.kr.

The Central Bank reserves the right to accept all of the submitted bids, part of them or reject all of them. The auction will be structured as a Dutch auction, which means that all accepted bids will be offered to primary dealers at the same price. The lowest accepted price will determine the selling price.

- The Treasury Notes 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 Notes 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. After the results of the auction are available, the Central Bank will offer primary dealers the equivalent of 10% of the nominal value sold in the auction, at the price of accepted bids, until 14:00 on Tuesday, January 27. Each primary dealer that has submitted an accepted bid in the auction has the right to purchase an amount proportional to its total purchase. The payment and settlement date for these transactions is Wednesday, January 28, 2009.
- 6. Bids may only be sent to the Central Bank through the Bloomberg Auction System between 13:00 and 14:00

on the auction date (Icelandic local time). Bids shall be expressed on a price basis, with three decimals and the last one being 0 or 5.

- 7. 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 14:00 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.
- 8. The Treasury reserves the right to reject bids entirely or accept bids in part.
- 9. The results of the auction will be published on the OMX Nordic Exchange in Iceland (OMX ICE) and sent to the primary dealers by e-mail.
- 10. Payments for the Treasury Notes 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 Notes 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.
- 11. The Treasury will pay the debt according to the aforementioned Treasury Notes on the maturity date. Any legal action resulting from these Treasury Notes 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 Notes is subject to the provisions of the Act on the Expiration of Debt and Other Obligations, no. 150/2007.
- 12. Treasury Notes are exempt from stamp duty in accordance with Act no. 79/1983. The tax liability or tax exemption of Treasury Notes and interest on them



is subject to the provisions of the Act on Income and Property Tax, as current at any time. Treasury Notes must be declared on income tax returns.

13. These series of Treasury Notes are listed on the OMX Nordic Exchange in Iceland. Market makers are Nýi Glitnir, Nýi Kaupthing Bank, NBI, MP Bank and Straumur Investment Bank.