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## PRICING SUPPLEMENT FOR UNSUBORDINATED NOTES

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### Absa Bank Limited

(Incorporated with limited liability in South Africa under registration number 1986/004794/06)

**Issue of ZAR 4,555,000.00 in respect of a**

**Commodity Basket Note**

**Under its ZAR60,000,000.00 Domestic Medium Term Note Programme**

This document constitutes the Applicable Pricing Supplement relating to the issue of the Tranche of Commodity Basket Notes described in this Pricing Supplement.

This Pricing Supplement must be read in conjunction with the Programme Memorandum issued by Absa Bank Limited dated 11 August 2008, as amended. To the extent that there is any conflict or inconsistency between the contents of this Pricing Supplement and the Programme Memorandum, the provisions of this Pricing Supplement shall prevail.

Any capitalised terms not defined in this Pricing Supplement shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Terms and Conditions of the Unsubordinated Notes. References in this Pricing Supplement to the Terms and Conditions are to the section of the Programme Memorandum "*Terms and Conditions of the Unsubordinated Notes, Tier 2 Notes and Tier 3 Notes*". References to any Condition in this Pricing Supplement are to that Condition of the Terms and Conditions.

### DESCRIPTION OF THE NOTES

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| 1.  | Issuer   | Absa Bank Limited   |
| 2.  | Status of Notes  | Unsubordinated Notes  |
| 3.  | (a) Tranche Number   | 01  |
|     | (b) Series Number  | ABN73   |
| 4.  | Aggregate Principal Amount   | ZAR 4,555,000.00  |
| 5.  | Interest/Payment Basis   | see 48 below  |
| 6.  | Form of Notes  | Registered Notes  |
| 7.  | Secured  | No  |
| 8.  | Automatic/Optional Conversion from one Interest/Payment Basis to another | Not Applicable  |
| 9.  | (a) Issue Date   | (a) 10 May 2013   |
|     | (b) Trade Date   | (b) 3 May 2013  |
|     |  | (Provided, however, that if the Trade Date is not a Trading Day, then that date will be the next following Trading Day.)    |
| 10. | Business Centre  | Not Applicable  |
| 11. | Additional Business Centres  | Not Applicable  |
| 12. | Specified Denomination   | ZAR1,000.00   |
| 13. | Issue Price  | 100%  |
| 14. | Interest Commencement Date   | Not Applicable  |
| 15. | Maturity Date  | 3 May 2017  |
|     |  | (Provided, however, that if the Maturity Date is not a Trading Day, then that date will be the next following Trading Day.) |
| 16. | Specified Currency   | ZAR (South African Rand)  |
| 17. | Applicable Business Day  | Following Business Day Convention   |

#### Convention

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| 18. | Calculation Agent                         | Absa Capital (a division of Absa Bank Limited) or an affiliate thereof |
| 19. | Specified Office of the Calculation Agent | Johannesburg   |
| 20. | Paying Agent                              | Not Applicable   |
| 21. | Specified Office of the Paying Agent      | Not Applicable   |
| 22. | Transfer Agent                            | Not Applicable   |
| 23. | Specified Office of the Transfer Agent    | Not Applicable   |
| 24. | Final Redemption Amount                   | see 48 below   |

#### PARTLY PAID NOTES

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| 25. | Amount of each payment comprising the Issue Price  | Not Applicable |
| 26. | Date upon which each payment is to be made by Noteholder   | Not Applicable |
| 27. | Consequences (if any) of failure to make any such payment by Noteholder  | Not Applicable |
| 28. | Interest Rate to accrue on the first and subsequent instalments after the due date for payment of such instalments | Not Applicable |

#### INSTALMENT NOTES

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| 29. | Instalment Dates  | Not Applicable |
| 30. | Instalment Amounts (expressed as a percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes) | Not Applicable |

#### FIXED RATE NOTES

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| 31. | (a) Fixed Interest Rate   | Not Applicable |
|     | (b) Interest Payment Date(s)  | Not Applicable |
|     | (c) Initial Broken Amount   | Not Applicable |
|     | (d) Final Broken Amount   | Not Applicable |
|     | (e) Any other terms relating to the particular method of calculating interest | Not Applicable |

#### FLOATING RATE NOTES

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|-----|--|----------------|
| 32. | (a) Interest Payment Date(s)   | Not Applicable |
|     | (b) Interest Period(s)   | Not Applicable |
|     | (c) Definitions of Business Day (if different from that set out in Condition 1 of the Ordinary Conditions) | Not Applicable |
|     | (d) Minimum Interest Rate  | Not Applicable |
|     | (e) Maximum Interest Rate  | Not Applicable |
|     | (f) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest (e.g., Day Count)                           | Not Applicable |

Fraction, rounding up provision, if different from Condition 6 of the Ordinary Conditions)

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| 33. | Manner in which the Interest Rate is to be determined  | Not Applicable |
| 34. | Margin   | Not Applicable |
| 35. | If ISDA Determination  |                |
|     | (a) Floating Rate  | Not Applicable |
|     | (b) Floating Rate Option   | Not Applicable |
|     | (c) Designated Maturity  | Not Applicable |
|     | (d) Reset Date(s)  | Not Applicable |
| 36. | If Screen Determination  |                |
|     | (a) Reference Rate (including relevant period by reference to which the Interest Rate is to be calculated)   | Not Applicable |
|     | (b) Interest Determination Date(s)   | Not Applicable |
|     | (c) Relevant Screen Page and Reference Code  | Not Applicable |
| 37. | If Interest Rate to be calculated otherwise than by reference to the previous 2 sub-paragraphs, insert basis for determining Interest Rate/Margin/Fall back provisions | Not Applicable |
| 38. | If different from the Calculation Agent, agent responsible for calculating amount of principal and interest  | Not Applicable |

#### **MIXED RATE NOTES**

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| 39. | Period(s) during which the interest rate for the Mixed Rate Notes will be (as applicable) that for: | Not Applicable |
|     | (a) Fixed Rate Notes  | Not Applicable |
|     | (b) Floating Rate Notes   | Not Applicable |
|     | (c) Indexed Notes   | Not Applicable |
|     | (d) Other Notes   | Not Applicable |

#### **ZERO COUPON NOTES**

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|-----|--|----------------|
| 40. | (a) Implied Yield  | Not Applicable |
|     | (b) Reference Price  | Not Applicable |
|     | (c) Any other formula or basis for determining amount(s) payable | Not Applicable |

#### **INDEXED NOTES**

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| 41. | (a) Type of Indexed Notes   | Not Applicable |
|     | (b) Formula by reference to which Final Redemption Amount is to be determined | Not Applicable |
|     | (c) Manner in which the Final Redemption                                      | Not Applicable |

Amount is to be determined and calculated

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| (d) | Interest Period   | Not Applicable |
| (e) | Interest Payment Date(s)  | Not Applicable |
| (f) | If different from the Calculation Agent, agent responsible for calculating amount of principal and interest | Not Applicable |
| (g) | Provisions where calculation by reference to Index and/or Formula is impossible or impracticable            | Not Applicable |

#### EXCHANGEABLE NOTES

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|-----|---|----------------|
| 42. | Mandatory Exchange applicable?          | No             |
| 43. | Noteholders' Exchange Right applicable? | No             |
| 44. | Exchange Securities                     | Not Applicable |
| 45. | Manner of determining Exchange Price    | Not Applicable |
| 46. | Exchange Period                         | Not Applicable |
| 47. | Other                                   | Not Applicable |

#### OTHER NOTES

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| 48. | If the Notes are not Partly Paid Notes, Instalment Notes, Fixed Rate Notes, Floating Rate Notes, Mixed Rate Notes, Zero Coupon Notes, Indexed Notes or Exchangeable Notes or if the Notes are a combination of any of the foregoing, set out the relevant description and any additional Terms and Conditions relating to such Notes | Applicable – a Commodity Basket Note |
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#### 48.1 COMMODITY BASKET NOTE

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| (a) | Formula by reference to which Commodity Basket Note Redemption Amount is to be determined | On the Maturity Date, the Commodity Basket Note will be payable at the Final Redemption Amount calculated as follows, it being recorded that the Commodity Basket Note Final Redemption Amount cannot be negative:<br><br>$APA * [1 + \max (13\%, (\text{Basket Final} - 1) )]$ |
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Where:

“APA” means the Aggregate Principal Amount as specified above;

“\*” means “multiplied by”;

“max” means the maximum of;

$$\text{"BasketFinal"} = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^6 W_{(i)} \left[ \frac{P_{(i)Final}}{P_{(i)Initial}} \right] \right]$$

"i" means, a number from 1 to 6 inclusive with the iteration of "i" representing the relevant Commodity in the Commodity Basket, as set out in Annex A;

" $W_{(i)}$ " means, the individual weighting of the relevant Commodity<sub>(i)</sub> in the Commodity Basket, as set out in Annex A;

" $P_{(i)Initial}$ " means, the relevant price for the relevant Commodity<sub>(i)</sub> in the Commodity Basket on the Trade Date as set out in Annex A; and

" $P_{(i)Final}$ " means, the relevant price of the relevant Commodity<sub>(i)</sub> in the Commodity Basket on the Maturity Date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

(b) Manner in which the Final Redemption Amount is to be determined and calculated	See above
(c) Interest Period	Not Applicable
(d) Interest Payment Date(s)	Not Applicable
(e) If different from the Calculation Agent, agent responsible for calculating amount of principal and interest	Not different from Calculation Agent
(f) Provisions where calculation by reference to the commodity basket and/or Formula is impossible or impracticable	See provisions relating to Market Disruption and Disruption Fallbacks below
48.2 Settlement Date of Final Redemption Amount	Five Business Days following the Maturity Date (the "Initial Settlement Date"), provided that if a Market Disruption Event occurs on the Maturity Date, the Settlement Date of the Final Redemption Amount shall be the later to occur of (i) the Initial Settlement Date and (ii) the date falling Five Business Days after the determination of the Final Redemption Amount in accordance with the Disruption Fallbacks section below.

#### PROVISIONS REGARDING EARLY REDEMPTION

49. Prior consent of Registrar of Banks required for any redemption prior to the Maturity Date	No
50. Redemption at the option of the Issuer:	Yes, for any reason including, without limitation, a Change in Law, Hedging Disruption and Increased Cost of Hedging

Where:

"Change in Law" means that the Issuer determines that, due to the adoption of or any change in any law (including, without limitation, the Dodd Frank Wall Street Transparency and Accountability Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-203, 124 Stat. 1376 (2010)) (the "Dodd-Frank Act")), regulation (including, without limitation, any regulations implementing the

Dodd-Frank Act), ruling or order (or the interpretation or administration thereof) by any competent authority or exchange (an "Applicable Law") occurring after the Trade Date of this Commodity Basket Note or there is any change in the interpretation of Applicable Law adopted by the Issuer at the Trade Date (including, without limitation, any Applicable Law relating to tax or exchange control):

(A) it has or will become contrary to Applicable Law for the Issuer to acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of any positions or contracts determined by the Issuer in its sole discretion to be necessary to hedge, on an individual trade or portfolio basis, its exposure in terms of this Note (or any other relevant price risk including, but not limited to, the currency risk or commodity price risk) to the Issuer's satisfaction ("Hedge Positions") (including, without limitation, where such Hedge Positions would contribute to the breach of applicable position limits set by any exchange, trading facility or competent authority); or  
(B) the Issuer will incur a materially increased cost in managing any Hedge Positions (including, without limitation, due to any increase in tax liability, decrease in tax benefit or other adverse effect on its tax position);

"Hedging Disruption" means that the Issuer determines that it is unable or it will become unable, after using commercially reasonable efforts, to acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of any Hedge Positions (including, without limitation, where such Hedge Positions would contribute to the breach of applicable position limits set by any exchange, trading facility or competent authority or as a result of any adjustment(s) to the exposure(s) underlying this Note);

"Increased Cost of Hedging" means that the Issuer determines that it has incurred or it would incur a materially increased (as compared with circumstances existing on the Trade Date) amount of tax, duty, expense or fee (including brokerage commissions) to acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of any Hedge Positions; and

if yes:

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| (a)   | Optional Redemption Date(s)  | Not Specified   |
| (b)   | Optional Redemption Amount(s) and method, if any, of calculation of such amount(s)                     | The Optional Redemption Amount shall be an amount in the same currency as the denomination of the Notes determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner and shall be net of any costs or losses incurred by the Issuer as a result of such early repayment, including (but without limitation) the cost (if any) of terminating any related hedging transactions ("Hedge Positions") and any tax that may be incurred by the Issuer and shall be notified by the Calculation Agent to the parties on the seventh Business Day immediately following the relevant Optional Redemption Date. |
| It being expressly accepted by the Noteholder that, in the event of early redemption, the Noteholder may lose some of the Aggregate Principal Amount. |  |   |
| (c)   | Minimum period of notice (if different from if different to Condition 11.4 of the Ordinary Conditions) | One Business Day  |
| (d)   | If redeemable in part: Minimum Redemption Amount(s)  | ZAR20,000   |
| (e)   | Approval(s) of Registrar of Banks  | Not Applicable  |
| (f)   | Other terms applicable on Redemption   | None  |
| 51.   | Redemption at the option of the Noteholders:   | Not Applicable  |

If yes:

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| (a) | Optional Redemption Date(s)  | Not Applicable  |
| (b) | Optional Redemption Amount(s) and method, if any, of calculation of such amount(s)   | Not Applicable  |
| (c) | Minimum period of notice (if different to Condition 11.5 of the Ordinary Conditions) | One Business Day  |
| (d) | If redeemable in part: Minimum Redemption Amount(s)                                  | ZAR20,000   |
| (e) | Other terms applicable on Redemption   | <p>The Optional Redemption Amount will be payable on the day that is five Business Days following the Optional Redemption Date provided however that if a Market Disruption Event occurs on the Optional Redemption Date then:</p> <p>(i) the Optional Redemption Amount payable on the Optional Redemption Date shall be calculated by reference to the preliminary relevant commodity price available for the Optional Redemption Date; and</p> <p>(ii) following the determination of the final relevant commodity price for the Optional Redemption Date pursuant to the Disruption Fallback provisions below, the Calculation Agent shall notify the parties of such final relevant commodity price and the amount (if any) that is payable by the relevant party as a result of that determination (the "Optional Redemption Correction Amount"). The Optional Redemption Correction Amount shall be payable by the relevant party on the day that is five Business Days following the determination of the Optional Redemption Correction Amount.</p> <p>It being expressly accepted by the Noteholder that, in the event of early redemption, the Noteholder may lose some of the Aggregate Principal Amount.</p> |
| (f) | Attach <i>pro forma</i> put notice(s)  | Not Applicable  |

52. Early Redemption Amount(s)

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|-----|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| (a) | Early Redemption Amount (Regulatory) | Not Applicable |
| (b) | Early Redemption Amount (Tax)        | Not Applicable |
| (c) | Early Termination Amount             | Not Applicable |

**GENERAL**

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| 53. | Additional selling restrictions                        | Not Applicable    |
| 54. | (a) International Securities Numbering (SIN)           | ZAG000105487      |
|     | (b) Stock Code   | ABN73             |
| 55. | Financial Exchange                                     | JSE               |
| 56. | Method of distribution                                 | Private Placement |
| 57. | If syndicated, names of managers                       | Not Applicable    |
| 58. | Receipts attached? If yes, number of Receipts attached | No                |
| 59. | Coupons attached? If yes,                              |                   |

	number of Coupons attached	No
60.	Talons attached? If yes, number of Talons attached	No
61.	Credit Rating assigned to Notes (if any)	No
62.	Stripping of Receipts and/or Coupons prohibited as provided in Condition 15.4 of the Ordinary Conditions?	Yes
63.	Governing law (if the laws of South Africa are not applicable)	Not Applicable
64.	Other Banking Jurisdiction	Not Applicable
65.	Last Day to Register	25 April 2017 (provided, however, that if such day is not a Trading Day, then that date will be the immediately preceding Trading Day) which shall mean that the "Books Closed Period" (during which the Register will be closed) will be from each Last Day to Register to the applicable Maturity Date.
66.	Stabilisation Manager (if any)	None
67.	Pricing Methodology	Not Applicable
68.	Authorised amount of the Programme	ZAR60,000,000,000.00
69.	Other provisions	Applicable, see below
69.1	Market Disruption Events	<p>Notwithstanding the definition of Market Disruption Event in the Programme, the Calculation Agent shall determine if a Market Disruption Event has occurred with reference to market disrupting events including (but not limited to):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• price source disruption;</li> <li>• trading disruption;</li> <li>• disappearance of commodity reference price;</li> <li>• material change in formula; and</li> <li>• material change in content.</li> </ul>
69.2	Disruption Fallback(s)	<p>The Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant disruption fallback with reference to the following disruption fallbacks including (but not limited to):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• fallback reference price;</li> <li>• delayed publication or announcement;</li> <li>• postponement;</li> <li>• fallback reference dealers;</li> <li>• no fault termination; and</li> <li>• Calculation Agent determination.</li> </ul>
69.3	Trading Day	Means a day when: the exchanges of all relevant commodity futures contracts are open for trading.
69.4	Business Day	Means a day on which commercial banks settle payments and are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in Johannesburg, London and New York.
69.6	Risk Factors and disclaimers	See Annex B

## Responsibility




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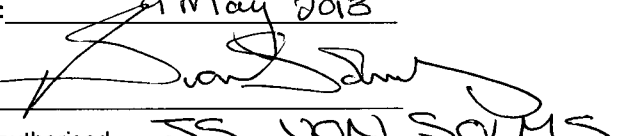
#### **ABSA BANK LIMITED**

**Issuer**

By:  \_\_\_\_\_

duly authorised Albert Kneeg

Date: 9 May 2013

By:  \_\_\_\_\_

duly authorised SS VON SOLMS

Date: 9/5/2013

**Annex A****Commodity Basket**

The value of the Commodity Basket Note can be obtained on Reuters screen page ABCAPCOMMOD01.

i	Commodity <sub>i</sub>	W <sub>(i)</sub>	P <sub>(i)</sub> Initial	Commodity Reference Price	Specified Price	Delivery Date
1	Corn	15%	6.6125	CORN-CBOT	Official settlement price	First nearby month (second nearby month for any relevant date which falls on or after the earlier to occur of (i) the option expiry date and (ii) the last trading day of the relevant futures contract)
2	Soybeans	15%	13.8725	SOYBEANS-CBOT	Official settlement price	First nearby month (second nearby month for any relevant date which falls on or after the earlier to occur of (i) the option expiry date and (ii) the last trading day of the relevant futures contract)
3	Oil-Brent	25%	104.19	OIL-BRENT-ICE FUTURES	Official settlement price	First nearby month (second nearby month for any relevant date which falls on the last trading day of the relevant futures contract)
4	Gasoline RBOB	15%	2.8254	GASOLINE RBOB-NEW YORK-NYMEX	Official settlement price	First nearby month
5	Gas Oil	15%	858	GAS OIL-ICE FUTURES	Official settlement price	First nearby month (second nearby month for any relevant date which falls on the last trading day of the relevant futures contract)
6	PLATINUM	15%	1501.00	PLATINUM-P.M. FIX	N/A	N/A

**Annex B****1 Risk Factors, disclaimers and further information relating to Commodity Basket Notes**

Notes linked to a commodity basket have a different risk profile to other notes. The return on such notes is linked to the performance of a commodity basket related investment. Investing in such notes is not equivalent to investing directly in the relevant commodities.

This section describes additional factors to which prospective investors should have regard when considering an investment in notes linked to a commodity basket. Prospective investors are also referred to the factors set out in the section of the Programme headed "Risk Factors".

## **1.1 Risks associated with all commodity related investments**

The market value of a commodity related investment may be influenced by many unpredictable factors and may fluctuate between the date of purchase and the applicable maturity date(s). Investors may also sustain a significant loss if they sell a commodity related investment in the secondary market. Several factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Issuer, will influence the market value of a commodity related investment. It is expected that generally the value of the commodities in a commodity related investment will affect the market value of the commodity related investment more than any other factor. Other factors that may influence the market value of a commodity related investment include:

- prevailing spot prices for the relevant commodities underlying a commodity related investment;
- the time remaining to the redemption, exercise or expiration, as applicable, of a commodity related investment;
- supply and demand for a commodity related investment;
- economic, financial, political, regulatory, geographical, biological, or judicial events that affect the market price of the relevant commodities;
- the general interest rate environment; and
- the creditworthiness of the Issuer.

These factors interrelate in complex ways, and the effect of one factor on the market value of a commodity related investment may offset or enhance the effect of another factor.

### **1.1.1 Commodity prices may change unpredictably, affecting the value of the relevant commodities and the value of a commodity related investment in unforeseeable ways.**

For example, trading in futures contracts on physical commodities, including trading in the components of a commodity related investment, is speculative and can be extremely volatile. Market prices may fluctuate rapidly based on numerous factors, including: changes in supply and demand relationships (whether actual, perceived, anticipated, unanticipated or unrealized); weather; agriculture; trade; fiscal, monetary and exchange control programs; domestic and foreign political and economic events and policies; disease; pestilence; technological developments; changes in interest rates, whether through governmental action or market movements; and monetary and other governmental policies, action and inaction. The current or "spot" prices of physical commodities may also affect, in a volatile and inconsistent manner, the prices of futures contracts in respect of a commodity. These factors may affect the value of the relevant commodities and therefore the value of a commodity related investment in varying ways, and different factors may cause the prices of relevant commodities and the volatilities of their prices, to move in inconsistent directions at inconsistent rates.

### **1.1.2 Supply of and demand for physical commodities tends to be particularly concentrated, so prices are likely to be volatile.**

The prices of physical commodities, including the commodities underlying a commodity related investment, can fluctuate widely due to supply and demand disruptions in major producing or consuming regions or industries.

Certain commodities are used primarily in one industry, and fluctuations in levels of activity in (or the availability of alternative resources to) one industry may have a disproportionate effect on global demand for a particular commodity. Moreover, recent growth in industrial production and gross domestic product has made China and other developing nations oversized users of commodities and has increased the extent to which certain commodities rely on the those markets. Political, economic and other developments that affect those countries may affect the value of the relevant commodities included in a commodity related investment.

In addition, because certain relevant commodities and certain of the commodities underlying a commodity related investment may be produced in a limited number of countries and may be controlled by a small number of producers, political, economic and supply-related events in such countries or with such producers could have a

disproportionate impact on the prices of such commodities and therefore the value of a commodity related investment.

- 1.1.3 Suspension or disruptions of market trading in commodities and related futures contracts may adversely affect the value of commodity related investments.

Commodity markets are subject to temporary distortions or other disruptions due to various factors, including the lack of liquidity in the markets, the participation of speculators and government regulation and intervention. In addition, U.S. futures exchanges and some foreign exchanges have regulations that limit the amount of fluctuation in some futures contract prices that may occur during a single business day. These limits are generally referred to as "daily price fluctuation limits" and the maximum or minimum price of a contract on any given day as a result of these limits is referred to as a "limit price". Once the limit price has been reached in a particular contract, no trades may be made at a price beyond the limit, or trading may be limited for a set period of time. Limit prices have the effect of precluding trading in a particular contract or forcing the liquidation of contracts at potentially disadvantageous times or prices. These circumstances could adversely affect the value of any relevant Commodities and, therefore, the value of commodity related investments.

- 1.1.4 Concentration risks associated with a relevant commodities may adversely affect the value of commodity related investments.

Because commodity related investments are linked to one or more relevant commodities comprised of one or more contracts on physical commodities, it will be less diversified than other funds, investment portfolios or indices investing in or tracking a broader range of products and, therefore, could experience greater volatility. Investors should be aware, in particular, that some commodity related investments are more diversified than others in terms of both the number of and variety of futures contracts (especially in the case of the commodity related investments linked to a sub-index of a commodity index). An investment in commodity related investments may carry risks similar to a concentrated securities investment in a limited number of industries or sectors, in one industry or sector or in one issuer.

- 1.1.5 Future prices of commodities within a commodity related investment that are different relative to their current prices may result in a reduced amount payable or deliverable upon redemption or exercise.

Unlike equities, which typically entitle the holder to a continuing stake in a corporation, commodity futures contracts normally specify a certain date for delivery of the underlying physical commodity. As the exchange-traded futures contracts that comprise a commodity related investment approach expiration, they are replaced by similar contracts that have a later expiration. Thus, for example, a futures contract purchased and held in August may specify an October expiration. As time passes, the contract expiring in October may be replaced by a contract for delivery in November. This process is referred to as "rolling". If the market for these contracts is (putting aside other considerations) in "backwardation", which means that the prices are lower in the distant delivery months than in the nearer delivery months, the sale of the October contract would take place at a price that is higher than the price of the November contract, thereby creating a "roll yield". The actual realization of a potential roll yield will be dependent upon the level of the related spot price relative to the unwind price of the commodity futures contract at the time of sale of the contract. While many of the contracts included in commodity related investments have historically exhibited consistent periods of backwardation, backwardation will most likely not exist at all times. Moreover, certain of the commodities reflected in commodity related investments have historically traded in "contango" markets. Contango markets are those in which the prices of contracts are higher in the distant delivery months than in the nearer delivery months. The absence of backwardation in the commodity markets could result in negative "roll yields", which could adversely affect the value of a commodity related investment and, accordingly, decrease the amount received by Investors upon redemption or exercise.

- 1.1.6 Commodity related investments may include contracts that are not traded on regulated futures exchanges.

Commodity related investments are typically based solely on futures contracts traded on regulated futures exchanges. However, a commodity related investment may include over-the-counter contracts (such as swaps and forward contracts) traded on trading facilities that are subject to lesser degrees of regulation or, in some cases, no substantive regulation. As a result, trading in such contracts, and the

manner in which prices and volumes are reported by the relevant trading facilities, may not be subject to the provisions of, and the protections afforded by, for example, the U.S. Commodity Exchange Act of 1936, or other applicable statutes and related regulations, that govern trading on regulated U.S. futures exchanges, or similar statutes and regulations that govern trading on regulated UK futures exchanges. In addition, many electronic trading facilities have only recently initiated trading and do not have significant trading histories. As a result, the trading of contracts on such facilities, and the inclusion of such contracts in a commodity related investment, may be subject to certain risks not presented by, for example, U.S. or UK exchange-traded futures contracts, including risks related to the liquidity and price histories of the relevant contracts.

- 1.1.7 Historical values of relevant commodities should not be taken as an indication of future performance. The actual performance of relevant Commodities included in a commodity related investment, as well as the amount payable or deliverable upon redemption or exercise, may bear little relation to the historical values of those relevant commodities which in most cases have been highly volatile.

- 1.1.8 Changes in the Treasury Bill rate of interest may affect the value of a commodity related investment.

If the value of a commodity related investment is linked, in part, to the Treasury Bill rate of interest that could be earned on cash collateral invested in specified Treasury Bills, changes in the Treasury Bill rate of interest may affect the amount payable or deliverable on any investment linked to that commodity related investment upon redemption or exercise and, therefore, the market value of such investments. Assuming the trading prices of the commodity components included in the commodity related investment remain constant, an increase in the Treasury Bill rate of interest will increase the value of the commodity related investment and, therefore, the value of the relevant investment. A decrease in the Treasury Bill rate of interest will adversely impact the value of the commodity related investment.

- 1.1.9 Investors will not have rights in any relevant commodities or components of any commodity related investment.

A Investor will not have rights that investors in a relevant commodity or in the components included in a commodity related investment may have. The redemptions will be paid in cash, and you will have no right to receive delivery of any relevant commodities.

- 1.1.10 If a commodity market disruption event has occurred or exists on a pricing date, the determination of the value of relevant commodities may be delayed or postponed and as a consequence the redemption or exercise of a commodity related investment.

The determination of the value of relevant commodities on a pricing date may be delayed or postponed if the Calculation Agent determines that a commodity market disruption event with respect to any relevant commodity has occurred or is continuing on such valuation date. As a result, the relevant settlement date, exercise date(s), maturity date or expiration date, as the case may be, of the relevant investments could also be delayed or postponed. Where a commodity market disruption event occurs on a pricing date and continues for longer than a set period of consecutive days, the Calculation Agent will estimate in a commercially reasonable manner determined in its sole discretion of the value of any relevant commodity for such valuation date.