
WRITTEN NOTICE
PERMISSION TO REDUCE OWN FUNDS

To: **Smith & Williamson Investment Services Ltd (FRN: 131816)**
("the firm")

Reference Number: 1744630 — Smith & Williamson Investment Services Limited
1744631 – Smith & Williamson Corporate Finance Limited
1744634 – Smith & Williamson Fund Administration Limited
1744635 – Smith & Williamson Investment Management LLP
1744637 – NCL Investment Limited

Date: 13 March 2014

ACTION

1. In accordance with Articles 77 and 78 of Regulation 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26th June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms (the "CRR"), the Prudential Regulation Authority ("the PRA") has considered the application of the firm to repurchase the instruments set out in paragraph 1.1 and, based on the information provided to it by the firm, is content that the conditions set out in Article 78(1)(b) of the CRR are met: the PRA therefore grants the firm permission to effect the repurchase of the following own funds instruments (the "Reduction Permission"):

1.1 £140,000 undated share capital on a consolidated basis (the "relevant own funds instruments");
2. The Reduction Permission is subject to the condition that this repurchase is done following the exercise of buyback options to acquire shares in Smith & Williamson Holdings Ltd held by persons formerly engaged by Smith & Williamson LLP, or the relatives of such persons.
3. If, at any time prior to the repurchase of the relevant own funds instruments, the condition in Article 78(1)(b) of the CRR ceases to be met, the PRA will re-consider the terms and conditions of the Reduction Permission, including revocation in whole or in part.

Decision-Maker and Publication

4. The decision which gave rise to the obligation to give this Notice was made by Wahid Ali, Manager UK Banks and Mutuals, Prudential Regulation Authority, Bank of England.
5. This Notice will be published on the Financial Services Register.

PRA contacts

6. For more information concerning this matter generally, the firm should contact Jules Tilly at 0203 4618953.

Effect

7. This Reduction Permission takes effect immediately.

Wahid Ali
Manager, UK Banks and Mutuals
Prudential Regulation Authority
Bank of England