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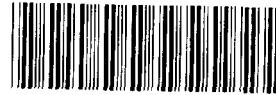
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Re: The Morgan Crucible Company plc – File No. 82-3387

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The enclosed material is furnished pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) on behalf of The Morgan Crucible Company plc (the 'Company'), File No.82-3387.

Such material shall not be deemed to be 'filed' with the Securities and Exchange Commission or otherwise subject to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the 'Act').

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Sincerely,

David Coker
Company Secretary

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The Morgan Crucible Company plc

The Company was informed on 6 May 2004, that the Trustees of The Morgan General Employee Benefit Trust ("the Trust") acquired 2,000,000 (two million) ordinary shares in the capital of the Company at an average price of £1.744464 per share to satisfy future obligations arising from provisional awards made under The Morgan Crucible Long Term Incentive Plan 2004 and share options granted under The Morgan Crucible Executive Share Option Scheme 2004.

Following this purchase, the Trust holds a total of 4,720,080 ordinary shares representing 1.626% of the share capital of the Company. The class of discretionary beneficiaries for whom the Trust holds such shares consists of employees of the Company including executive directors Warren Decatur Knowlton, Mark Robertshaw, Hartmut Eisele and Mark Lejman and these directors are accordingly deemed to be beneficially interested in all of such shares held by the Trust.

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