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A recently released Stock Exchange Announcement follows.



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Centrica tax update

The enclosed document is to be furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on behalf of Centrica plc (the "Company") pursuant to the exemption from the ~~Securities Exchange Act 1934 (the "Act")~~ afforded by Rule 12g 3-2 (b) thereunder.

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Yours faithfully



For and on behalf of
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Centrica tax update

On 6 June 2006 Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs introduced new legislation as part of this year's Finance Bill. The direct impact of this change is a potential increase in Centrica's forecast tax charge for 2006 and a corresponding negative impact to earnings of around 1p per share. The company is seeking to mitigate this earnings impact.

This does not affect the underlying performance of the business.

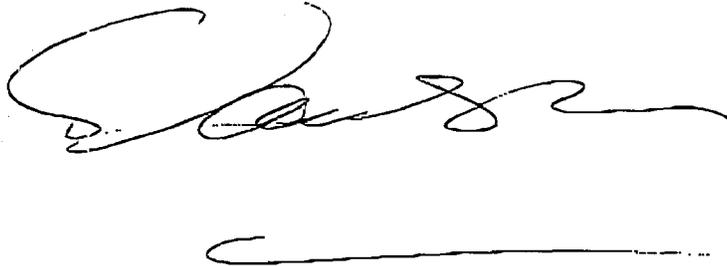
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