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Results of Rights Issue - 98% take-up

Wolseley plc today announces that, as at 11.00 a.m. on 21 April 2009, being the latest date of receipt of valid

subscriptions, it had received valid acceptances in respect of 191,847,616 New Ordinary Shares, representing approximately 98.31 per cent of the 195,137,478 New Ordinary Shares offered to Shareholders, pursuant to the 11 for 5 Rights Issue announced by the Company on 6 March 2009.

It is expected that the New Ordinary Shares in uncertificated form will be credited to CREST accounts on 22 April 2009 and that definitive share certificates in respect of New Ordinary Shares in certificated form will be dispatched to Shareholders by no later than 29 April 2009. It is expected that the New Ordinary Shares will commence trading fully paid on London Stock Exchange plc's main market for listed securities on 22 April 2009.

As disclosed in Part IX of the Prospectus dated 9 March 2009, Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch, UBS Limited, and RBS Hoare Govett Limited, as Global Coordinators, (for themselves and on behalf of the other Underwriters) will each endeavour to procure subscribers for the balance of 3,289,862 New Ordinary Shares not validly taken up under the Rights Issue, subject to certain terms and conditions agreed with the Company. A further announcement as to the number of New Ordinary Shares for which subscribers have been procured by the Global Coordinators will be made in due course.

Capitalised terms used, but not defined, in this announcement shall have the same meanings as given to them in the Prospectus relating to the Rights Issue dated 9 March 2009.

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