Corporate Action Notice



January 9, 2013

Cash Distribution Resulting from the Sale of Spin off Shares

RE: Vesuvius Plc

ADR CUSIP: 92550C203 ADR ISIN: US92550C2035 ADR Ticker Symbol: CKSNY Ratio (DR: Underlying Share): 1:1

Vesuvius Plc announced a distribution of Alent Plc shares to its Ordinary shareholders. The shares were allocated as follows: 1 Alent Plc share was issued for every 1 ordinary share held as of the local record date of December 18, 2012.

The Alent Plc shares were not registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933; therefore we were not permitted to pass the shares on to the holders of Depositary Receipts ("DRs"). As a result, BNY Mellon has sold the shares in the local market and the proceeds received from the sale will be distributed to the DR holders of Vesuvius Plc.

BNY Mellon has established the following:

 DR Record Date:
 January 18, 2013

 DR Payment Date:
 January 28, 2013

 Gross Rate per DS:
 \$4.984357

 Depositary Fee per DS:
 \$0.050000

 Net Rate per DS:
 \$4.934357

Books were closed on December 17, 2012 and will reopen on January 22, 2013 for issuance transactions.

To learn more about Depositary Receipts and issuer programs, please contact our marketing desks:

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