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17 December 2015

Recommended Acquisition

of

Cable & Wireless Communications Plc (“CWC” or the “Company”)

by

Liberty Global plc (“Liberty Global”)

On 16 November, 2015 the Liberty Global Directors and the CWC Directors announced that they had reached agreement regarding the terms of a recommended acquisition through which Liberty Global will acquire the entire issued and to be issued share capital of CWC (the “**2.7 Announcement**”).

The Company announces today that the CWC US Carve-Out has been completed.

Accordingly, the Exchange Ratio Calculation Period commences on 18 December 2015.

Capitalised terms used but not otherwise defined in this announcement shall have the meanings given to them in the 2.7 Announcement.

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are advised to read the formal documentation in relation to the Transaction carefully once it has been despatched.

This announcement does not constitute a prospectus or prospectus-equivalent document.

Publication on website

A copy of this announcement will be made available, free of charge and subject to certain restrictions relating to persons in Restricted Jurisdictions, on CWC's website at <http://www.cwc.com/> by no later than 12 noon (London time) on the Business Day following the date of this announcement. For the avoidance of doubt, the content of such websites are not incorporated into, and do not form part of, this announcement.

Each of the CWC directors accept responsibility for the information contained in this announcement. To the best of the knowledge and belief of each of the CWC directors (who have taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information contained in this announcement for which they are responsible is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of that information.