

Bank of Ireland Group plc (together with its subsidiaries the "Group")

Sale of ROI non-performing exposures ("NPE")

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The Group has agreed to sell a portfolio of NPE predominantly secured on ROI buy-to-let investment ("BTL") properties to Promontoria 2019 – SGA Designated Activity Company (an affiliate of Cerberus Capital Management).

The portfolio has a gross book value at 30 June 2019 of c.€0.25 billion. The transaction results in a marginal increase in the Group's CET1 ratio while the Group's net interest income will reduce by c.€3 million on an annualised basis. At completion the Group will receive a consideration of approximately €0.15 billion. The sale proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes.

This transaction has enabled the Bank to accelerate progress in reducing its NPE ratio. Following this transaction the Group's NPE ratio is now below 5%.

Our NPE reduction strategies will continue to be kept under review in response to the associated and evolving regulatory framework.

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