

The Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland (the "Group")

2016 Supervisory Review and Evaluation Process

1 December 2016

The Group has been notified by the European Central Bank of the outcome of the 2016 Supervisory Review and Evaluation Process (SREP).

The decision requires that the Group maintains a Common Equity Tier 1 ("CET 1") ratio of 8.0% on a transitional basis from 1 January 2017; this includes the Pillar 2 requirement (P2R) but excludes the Pillar 2 guidance (P2G). This requirement of 8% includes a Pillar 1 requirement of 4.5%, a Pillar 2 requirement of 2.25% and a capital conservation buffer for 2017 of 1.25%.

This requirement compares to the Group's latest reported transitional CET 1 ratio of 13.0% at the end of September 2016.

Under the Maximum Distributable Amount ("MDA") framework, the MDA trigger level will be 8.0% from 1 January 2017.

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