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Electronic Voting Instructions

You can vote by Internet or telephone! Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!

Instead of mailing your proxy, you may choose one of the two voting methods outlined below to vote your proxy.

VALIDATION DETAILS ARE LOCATED BELOW IN THE TITLE BAR.

Proxies voted by the Internet or telephone must be received by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on April 26, 2012.

Vote by Internet

Log on to the Internet and go to http://proxy.georgeson.com/

Follow the steps outlined on the secured website.

Vote by telephone

Call toll free 1-877-456-7915 within the USA, US territories & Canada any time on a touch tone telephone. There is **NO CHARGE** to you for the call.

Follow the instructions provided by the recorded message.

Using a <u>black ink</u> pen, mark your votes with an \mathbf{X} as shown in this example. Please do not write outside the designated areas. \mathbf{X}

Annual Meeting Proxy Card

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Proxy XL Group plc

Notice of 2012 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

Proxy Solicited by Board of Directors for Annual General Meeting April 27, 2012

Michael S. McGavick and Kirstin Gould, or any of them, each with the power of substitution, are hereby authorized to represent and vote the ordinary shares of the undersigned, with all the powers which the undersigned would possess if personally present, at the Annual General Meeting of Ordinary Shareholders of XL Group plc to be held on April 27, 2012 at The Westbury Hotel, Grafton Street, Dublin 2, Ireland, at 8:30 a.m. local time or at any postponement or adjournment thereof.

Shares represented by this proxy will be voted as directed by the shareholder. If no such directions are indicated, the Proxies will have authority to vote FOR all nominees and FOR Proposals 2 and 3. This proxy will revoke any previously executed proxy granted with respect to the 2012 Annual General Meeting.

In their discretion, the Proxies are authorized to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

(Items to be voted appear on reverse side.)

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Shareholder Meeting Notice

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*** Exercise Your Right to Vote ***

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the XL Group plc Annual General Meeting of Shareholders to be Held on April 27, 2012

Under Securities and Exchange Commission rules, you are receiving this notice that the proxy materials for the Annual General Meeting are available on the Internet. Follow the instructions below to view the materials and vote online or request a copy. The items to be voted on and location of the Annual General Meeting are on the reverse side. Your vote is important!

This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting. The Proxy Statement, form of proxy and Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 to shareholders are available at:

www.envisionreports.com/XL

Easy Online Access A Convenient Way to View Proxy Materials and Vote

When you go online to view materials, you can also vote your shares. You must use the number in the shaded box above when voting.

- Step 1: Go to www.envisionreports.com/XL to view the materials.
- Step 2: Click on Cast Your Vote or Request Materials.
- Step 3: Follow the instructions on the screen to log in.
- Step 4: Make your selection as instructed on each screen to select delivery preferences and vote.

When you go online, you can also help the environment by consenting to receive electronic delivery of future materials.

Obtaining a Copy of the Proxy Materials If you want to receive a copy of these documents, you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. Please make your request for a copy as instructed on the reverse side on or before April 19, 2012 to facilitate timely delivery.

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Shareholder Meeting Notice

XL Group plc s Annual General Meeting will be held on April 27, 2012 at The Westbury Hotel, Grafton Street, Dublin 2, Ireland, at 8:30 a.m. local time.

Proposals to be voted on at the meeting are listed below along with the Board of Directors recommendations.

The Board recommends a vote FOR all nominees and FOR Proposals 2 and 3:

- To elect, by separate resolutions, four Class II Directors to hold office until 2015.
 Nominees: Ramani Ayer, Dale R. Comey, Robert R. Glauber, Suzanne B. Labarge
- 2. To ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to act as the independent registered public accounting firm of the Company for the year ending December 31, 2012, and the authorization of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors to fix the remuneration of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.
- 3. To provide a non-binding, advisory vote approving the Company s executive compensation.

Only the holders of record of XL Group plc Ordinary Shares on March 7, 2012 are entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting. If you were a shareholder as of the record date, you may attend the Annual General Meeting and vote in person. Shareholders may contact Georgeson at 1-800-733-6198 to obtain directions to the Annual General Meeting.

During the meeting, the Company will present its Irish Statutory accounts for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011.

PLEASE NOTE YOU CANNOT VOTE BY RETURNING THIS NOTICE. To vote your shares you must vote online or request a paper copy of the proxy materials to receive a proxy card. If you wish to attend and vote at the meeting, please bring this notice along with personal identification to the Meeting.

Here s how to order a copy of the proxy materials and select a future delivery preference:

Paper copies: Current and future paper delivery requests can be submitted via the telephone, Internet or email options below.

Email copies: Current and future email delivery requests must be submitted via the Internet following the instructions below. If you request an email copy of current materials you will receive an email with a link to the materials.

PLEASE NOTE: You must use the number in the shaded bar on the reverse side when requesting a set of proxy materials.

Internet Go to **www.envisionreports.com/XL**. Click Cast Your Vote or Request Materials. Follow the instructions to log in and order a copy of the current meeting materials and submit your preference for email or paper delivery of future meeting materials.

Telephone Call us free of charge at 1-866-641-4276 and follow the instructions to log in and order a paper copy of the materials by mail for the current meeting. You can also submit a preference to receive a paper copy for future meetings.

Email Send email to proxymaterial@georgeson.com with Proxy Materials XL Group plc in the subject line. Include in the message your full name and address, plus the number located in the shaded bar on the reverse, and state in the email that you want a paper copy of current meeting materials. You can also state your preference to receive a paper copy for future meetings.

To facilitate timely delivery, all requests for a paper copy of the proxy materials must be received by April 19, 2012.

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