



# Lloyds TSB

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## **LLOYDS TSB GROUP ANNOUNCES THE SALE OF LLOYDS TSB REGISTRARS**

Lloyds TSB has agreed the sale of the business and assets of Lloyds TSB Registrars to Advent International for a total cash consideration of £550 million, subject to completion and other adjustments.

Lloyds TSB Registrars contributed £32 million to Group profit after tax in 2006 and had gross assets of approximately £85 million as at 31 December 2006.

The transaction is expected to be completed in the second half of 2007 and is subject to regulatory approval. Subject to completion and other adjustments, it is expected that a profit before tax of circa £440 million (tax: nil) will be recognised in the income statement of Lloyds TSB Group for the year ending 31 December 2007.

Eric Daniels, Lloyds TSB Group Chief Executive, said:

“Having conducted a strategic review of Lloyds TSB Registrars, we have concluded that a sale of the business at this time is in the best interest of the Group. We are pleased that Advent, who are fully committed to the future development and growth of the business, will be the new owners.”

James Brocklebank, director at Advent International, commented:

“Lloyds TSB Registrars is a unique asset, whose outstanding customer relationships, established market-leadership positions, broad product offering and advanced technology provide an impressive platform for growth within financial services business process outsourcing. We recognised from the start the quality of the business and its staff. We’re very much looking forward to backing the existing management team under David Winton, Managing Director”.

Lehman Brothers acted as exclusive financial adviser to Lloyds TSB on this transaction.

**Notes to Editors:**

Advent International is one of the world's leading global investment firms, with offices in 14 countries on four continents. Founded in 1984, Advent has developed an unparalleled global investment platform with over 100 investment professionals across Western and Central Europe, North America, Latin America and Asia. The firm specialises in growth, cross-border and strategic restructuring opportunities in five core sectors, including financial services. Since inception, Advent has raised over £5.0 billion in private equity capital and completed more than 200 buyout and private equity transactions valued at over £13.0 billion in 35 countries.

Lloyds TSB Registrars has over 700 corporate clients (including 55% of the FTSE100) and manages over 24 million investor and shareholder accounts, including 14 million open and active shareholders. It is also a major administrator of employee share plans, investment vehicles and pension schemes and also provides sharedealing services to a number of leading UK corporates.

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