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FORM 8.5 (EPT/NON-RI)

PUBLIC OPENING POSITION DISCLOSURE/DEALING DISCLOSURE BY AN EXEMPT PRINCIPAL TRADER WITHOUT RECOGNISED INTERMEDIARY ("RI") STATUS (OR WHERE RI STATUS IS NOT APPLICABLE)

Rule 8.5 of the Takeover Code (the "Code")

#### 1. KEY INFORMATION

| (a) | Name of exempt principal trader:  | BARCLAYS CAPITAL<br>SECURITIES LTD |
|-----|---|------------------------------------|
| (b) | Name of offeror/offeree in relation to whose relevant securities this form relates:   | THG PLC                            |
| (c) | Name of the party to the offer with which exempt principal trader is connected  | THG plc                            |
| (d) | Date position held/dealing undertaken:  | 20 May 2022                        |
| (e) | In addition to the company in 1(b) above, is the exempt principal trader making disclosures in respect of any other party to the offer? | NO                                 |

## 2.

# POSITIONS OF THE EXEMPT PRINCIPAL TRADER

(a) Interests and short positions in the relevant securities of the offeror or offeree to which the disclosure relates following the dealing (if any)

| Class of relevant security: |   | 0.5p ordinary |       |                 |       |
|-----------------------------|---|---------------|-------|-----------------|-------|
|                             |   | Interests     |       | Short Positions |       |
|                             |   | Number        | (%)   | Number          | (%)   |
| (1)                         | Relevant securities owned and/or controlled:  | 14,995,232    | 1.23% | 8,924,649       | 0.73% |
| (2)                         | Cash-settled derivatives:   | 20,612,442    | 1.69% | 14,501,017      | 1.19% |
| (3)                         | Stock-settled derivatives<br>(including options)<br>and agreements to<br>purchase/sell: | 0             | 0.00% | 0               | 0.00% |
|                             | TOTAL:  | 35,607,674    | 2.92% | 23,425,666      | 1.92% |

# (b) Rights to subscribe for new securities (including directors and other executive options)

| Class of relevant security in relation to which subscription right exists |  |
|---|--|
| Details, including nature of the rights                                   |  |
| concerned and relevant percentages:                                       |  |

### 3.

# DEALINGS (IF ANY) BY THE EXEMPT PRINCIPAL TRADER

#### (a) Purchases and sales

| Class<br>of<br>relevant<br>security | Purchase/sale | Total<br>number<br>of<br>securities | Highest price<br>per unit<br>paid/received | Lowest price<br>per unit<br>paid/received |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|
| 0.5p ordinary                       | Purchase      | 2,859,835                           | 1.4791 GBP                                 | 1.418 GBP                                 |
| 0.5p ordinary                       | Sale          | 4,496,741                           | 1.4969 GBP                                 | 1.418 GBP                                 |

#### (b) Cash-settled derivative transactions

| Class<br>of   | Product     | Nature of dealing | Number of  | Price per  |
|---------------|-------------|-------------------|------------|------------|
| relevant      | description |                   | reference  | unit       |
| security      |             |                   | securities |            |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 414        | 1.4250 GBF |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 465        | 1.4255 GBF |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 739        | 1.4505 GBF |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 763        | 1.4440 GBF |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 971        | 1.4437 GBF |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 1,022      | 1.4617 GBF |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 1,160      | 1.4215 GBF |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 1,978      | 1.4500 GBF |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 6,550      | 1.4475 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 9,391      | 1.4254 GBF |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 9,830      | 1.4655 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 11,259     | 1.4597 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 31,373     | 1.4732 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 50,249     | 1.4407 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 63,178     | 1.4432 GB  |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 86,327     | 1.4738 GB  |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 96,895     | 1.4345 GB  |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 159,079    | 1.4519 GB  |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 164,497    | 1.4592 GB  |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 166,549    | 1.4513 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 218,457    | 1.4468 GB  |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 236,145    | 1.4438 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Long      | 440,707    | 1.4448 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | CFD         | Opening Short     | 702        | 1.4751 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | CFD         | Opening Short     | 1,504      | 1.4941 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | CFD         | Opening Short     | 1,635      | 1.4651 GB  |
| 0.5p ordinary | CFD         | Opening Short     | 2,240      | 1.4533 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | CFD         | Opening Short     | 9,763      | 1.4998 GB  |
| 0.5p ordinary | CFD         | Opening Short     | 12,762     | 1.4337 GB  |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Short     | 44,000     | 1.4174 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Short     | 124,500    | 1.4601 GB  |
| 0.5p ordinary | CFD         | Opening Short     | 142,551    | 1.4500 GB  |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Short     | 189,000    | 1.4518 GBI |
| 0.5p ordinary | SWAP        | Opening Short     | 1,250,000  | 1.4542 GB  |

#### (c) Stock-settled derivative transactions (including options)

### (i) Writing, selling, purchasing or varying

|          | <u> </u>    | • •         |            |          |      |        |          |
|----------|-------------|-------------|------------|----------|------|--------|----------|
| Class    | Product     | Writing,    | Number     | Exercise | Туре | Expiry | Option   |
| of       | description | purchasing, | of         | price    |      | date   | money    |
| relevant |             | selling,    | securities | per unit |      |        | paid/    |
| security |             | varying etc | to which   |          |      |        | received |
|          |             |             | option     |          |      |        | per unit |
|          |             |             | relates    |          |      |        |          |
|          |             |             |            |          |      |        |          |

# (ii) Exercising

| Class of relevant security | Product description | Exercising/<br>exercised<br>against | Number of securities | Exercise<br>price per<br>unit |
|----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
|                            |                     |                                     |                      |                               |

## (d) Other dealings (including subscribing for new securities)

| Class<br>of<br>relevant<br>security | Nature of<br>Dealings | Details | Price per unit<br>(if<br>applicable) |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|
|                                     |                       |         |                                      |

### 4.

### **OTHER INFORMATION**

formal or informal, relating to relevant securities which may be an inducement to deal or refrain from dealing entered into by the exempt principal trader making the disclosure and any party to the offer or any person acting in concert with a party to the offer:

#### NONE

(b) Agreements, arrangements or understandings relating to options or derivatives

Details of any agreement, arrangement or understanding, formal or informal, between the exempt principal trader making the disclosure and any other person relating to:

- (i) the voting rights of any relevant securities under any option; or
- (ii) the voting rights of future acquisition or disposal of any relevant securities to which any derivative is referenced:

#### **NONE**

(c) Attachments

| Is a Supplemental Form 8 (Open Positions) attached? | NO                                   |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Date of disclosure:                                 | 23 May<br>2022                       |
| Contact name:                                       | Large Holdings Regulatory Operations |
| Telephone number:                                   | 020 3134 7213                        |

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