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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 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:	23 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	Interests		Short Positions	
		Number	(%)	Number	(%)	
(1)	Relevant securities owned					
	and/or controlled:	14,760,895	1.21%	8,259,649	0.68%	
(2)	Cash-settled derivatives:	19,914,949	1.63%	14,232,592	1.17%	
(3)	Stock-settled derivatives (including options) and agreements to purchase/sell:	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	
	TOTAL:	34,675,844	2.84%	22,492,241	1.84%	

(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 of relevant	Purchase/sale	Total number	Highest price per	I owest price per

I	1		of unit		unit
	security		securities	paid/received	paid/received
Î	0.5p ordinary	Purchase	2,340,146	1.5373 GBP	1.3902 GBP
Î	0.5p ordinary	Sale	1,915,845	1.5313 GBP	1.3905 GBP

(b) Cash-settled derivative transactions

Class of	Product	Nature of dealing	Number of	Price per
relevant	description	Nature or dealing	reference	unit
	description			unit
security	OWAR		securities	4 5045 000
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	359	1.5215 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	362	1.5189 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	484	1.4485 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	809	1.4277 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	858	1.3955 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	1,155	1.4556 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	2,331	1.4500 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	3,005	1.4464 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	4,012	1.4175 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	12,736	1.4083 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	12,926	1.4163 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	13,148	1.4955 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	21,528	1.4176 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	229,722	1.4059 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	271,568	1.4454 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	409,679	1.4021 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	501,320	1.4197 GBP
0.5p ordinary	CFD	Decreasing Short	25,911	1.3904 GBP
0.5p ordinary	CFD	Decreasing Short	65,577	1.4036 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	217,937	1.3947 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	1,186	1.4642 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	5,040	1.4994 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	9,680	1.4225 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	39,583	1.4572 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	80,751	1.4888 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	8,000	1.3978 GBP
0.5p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	49,000	1.4158 GBP

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

(i) Writing, selling, purchasing or varying

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	Product description	Exercising/ exercised against	Number of	Exercise price per
security			securities	unit

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

Class of relevant security	Nature of Dealings	Details	Price per unit (if applicable)

4.

OTHER INFORMATION

(a) Indemnity and other dealings arrangements

Details of any indemnity or option arrangement, or any agreement or understanding, 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:

(c) Attachments

Is a Supplemental Form 8 (Open Positions) attached?	NO
Date of disclosure:	24 May 2022
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