

## The Depository Trust Company



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Date:	September 17, 2010
To:	All Participants
Category:	Dividends
From:	International Services
Attention:	Operations, Reorg & Dividend Managers, Partners & Cashiers
Subject:	Tax Relief – Country: Japan
	Accordia Golf. CUSIP: 00436B109
	Record Date: 09/29/10 Payable Date: TBA
	EDS Cut-Off: 10/06/10 Documentation Cut-Off: 10/06/10 8PM

Participants can use DTC's Elective Dividend System (EDS) function over the Participant Terminal System (PTS) or TaxRelief option on the Participant Browser System (PBS) web site to certify all or a portion of their position entitled to the applicable withholding tax rate.

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ACCORDIA GOLF has announced a cash dividend. Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas acts as the Depositary for the company's American Depositary Receipt ("ADR") program.

Using DTC's Elective Dividend System ("EDS") function over the Participant Terminal System ("PTS"), Participants may certify all or a portion of their position entitled to the applicable withholding tax rates. Use of EDS will permit entitlement amounts to be paid through DTC.

On ADR Pay Date, all non-Japanese resident holders will receive this dividend net of Japanese withholding tax of 7% with the possibility to reclaim as outlined in the Eligibility Matrix below.

COUNTRY OF ISSUANCE	JAPAN
ISSUE	ACCORDIA GOLF
CUSIP#	00436B109
DEPOSITARY	DEUTSCHE BANK
ADR RECORD DATE	September 29, 2010
ADR PAY DATE	ТВА
ADR GROSS DIVIDEND RATE ON PAY DATE	ТВА
ORD GROSS DIVIDEND RATE ON PAY DATE	ТВА
RATIO	ТВА
RATE OF TAX WITHHOLDING	7% (3% additional local tax for Japanese individual residents only)

ELIGIBILITY MATRIX				
RATE DESCRIPTION	RECLAIM RATE	ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED	
10%	0%	JAPANESE INDIVIDUAL RESIDENTS	1. APPENDIX A	
FAVORABLE - 7%	0%	ALL BENEFICIARIES EXCEPT JAPANESE INDIVIDUAL RESIDENTS AND TREATY ELIGIBLE PENSIONS	NO DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED	
EXEMPT - 0%	7%	JAPANESE RESIDENT PENSIONS	1. FORM 6166 2. APPENDIX A 3. POWER-OF-ATTORNEY (APPENDIX B)	

## **DIVIDEND EVENT DETAILS**

CHARGES & DEADLINES					
FILING METHOD	BATCH	PAYMENT METHOD	DEPOSITARY SERVICE CHARGE	MINIMUM SERVICE CHARGE PER BENEFICIAL OWNER	FINAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE (ALL TIMES EST)
RELIEF AT SOURCE	PAYMENT ON PAY DATE	EDS	UP TO \$0.0035 per ADR	\$0	October 6, 2010; 8:00 P.M.
LONG-FORM	POST-EDS PROCESS; ONGOING	CHECK	UP TO \$0.005 per ADR	UP TO \$400	UP TO 5 YEARS FROM ADR RECORD DATE

	DESCRIPTION OF VARIOUS DOCU	MENTATION	
DOCUMENT NAME	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL / COPY	SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT
IRS FORM 6166	ISSUED BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, STATING THE NAME AND TAX PAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER. IT MUST BE DATED WITHIN <b>9 MONTHS</b> OF SUBMISSION. CANNOT BE CERTIFIED FOR ANY OTHER COUNTRY. MUST HAVE IRS CODES 401(A) AND 501(A)	ORIGINAL	IRS REPRESENTATIVE
APPENDIX A (COVER LETTER)	LISTING OF BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND/OR JAPANESE INDIVIDUAL RESIDENTS	ORIGINAL	DTC PARTICIPANT
APPENDIX B (POWER OF ATTORNEY)	SIGNED BY BENEFICIAL OWNER APPOINTING DEPOSITARY ON BENEFICIAL OWNER'S LETTERHEAD	ORIGINAL	BENEFICIAL OWNER
LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY	IF THE POA IS SIGNED BY THE BROKER, TRUST AGREEMENT OR LIMITED POA MUST ALSO BE SUBMITTED	СОРҮ	DTC PARTICIPANT
APPENDIX C	CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE FOR UK PENSIONS	ORIGINAL	UK TAX AUTHORITY

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

QUESTION	ANSWER
CAN I SUBMIT A TRUST AGREEMENT IN LIEU OF A POA SIGNED BY THE BENEFICIAL OWNER?	YES, BUT A LIMITED POA SIGNED BY THE PARTICIPANT MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE TRUST AGREEMENT.
ARE FORM 6166S WITH IRS CODE RULING 81-100 ACCEPTED?	YES, WITH A TAX DETERMINATION LETTER.
DOES THE BENEFICIARIES NAME ON THE FORM 6166 NEED TO MATCH THE POA?	YES, THE BENEFICIARIES NAME ON BOTH DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE IDENTICAL.
HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE FOR LONG-FORM CLAIMS TO BE PAID?	WE ESTIMATE IT TAKES UP TO 1 YEAR FOR LONG FORM CLAIMS TO BE PAID.
DOES THE LONG-FORM PROCESS HAVE A MINIMUM POSITION REQUIRMENT PER BENEFICIAL OWNER?	YES, PLEASE CALL FOR MORE DETAILS.
DO POAS NEED TO BE NOTARIZED FOR SHORT FORM CLAIMS?	NO, ONLY POAS SUBMITTED FOR LONG FORM CLAIMS NEED TO BE NOTARIZED.
WHAT IS THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR FILING JAPANESE RECLAIMS?	IT IS 5 YEARS FROM ORDINARY PAY DATE. CLAIMS RECEIVED AFTER OUR SUBMISSION DEADLINE WILL BE FILED ON A BEST EFFORT BASIS.

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## **APPENDIX A – COVER LETTER**

## (DTC Participant's Letterhead)

To: Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas / GlobeTax 90 Broad Street, 16th Floor New York, New York 10004-2205 Phone: 1-800-876-0959 Fax: 1-866-888-1120

## ACCORDIA GOLF ; CUSIP# 00436B109 Re: Withholding Certification for

of ACCORDIA GOLF ; CUSIP# 00436B109, request that (DTC Participant Name) , receive their entitled tax reclaim. authorized representative of September 29, 2010 (DTC PTS Number) the upcoming cash dividend payable to holders as of (Contact Name) I / We the undersigned <u>(Contact N</u> holding shares at Cede & Co. under DTC#

Name of Beneficiary	Complete Address	Country of Residence	Tax ID Number	# ADRs	Law of Establishment (ERISA, State Law of <state>, etc.)</state>
*** IF THERE ARE MORE THAN 7 BENI	I 7 BENEFICIAL HOLDERS, PLEASE CALL THE NUMBER ABOVE AND WE WILL SEND YOU A PRE-	ASE CALL THE N	UMBER ABOVE AND V	<b>WE WILL SEND</b>	0 YOU A PRE-

# FORMATTED DISK. PLEASE RETURN THE DISK AND THE HARD COPY WITH THE REQUIRED AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES TO THE ADDRESS ABOVE.

authorities, and the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel), and any of them, arising out of or relating to the information provided by the undersigned in, or in underlying the ADRs (the "Issuer"), we agree to indemnify, defend, hold and save Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, the Issuer and their respective affiliates, and the respective directors, offices, agents and employees of Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, the Issuer and each of their affiliates from and against any and all costs, damages or liabilities (including, without limitation, tax payments, interest charges, penalties or other costs assessed by relevant tax and administrative In consideration of the services provided by Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas contemplated hereby and the assistance provided by the issuer of the shares connection with, this document.

Incorrect claims and/or elections could result in fines and/or penalties.

TEL :

FAX:

Print Name of Signatory

PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR PHONE AND FAX NUMBER SO THAT WE CAN CONTACT YOU WITH ANY QUESTIONS THAT WE MIGHT HAVE.

Position of Signatory

## **APPENDIX B – POWER OF ATTORNEY**

## (Pension Fund's Letterhead)

## Power of Attorney

(Name of Pension Fund/IRA = the Undersigned), with address in (City, State, Country) hereby appoints <u>Deutsche Bank ("Bank")</u> and/or the Bank's designated standing proxy(ies) as its true and lawful attorney with full Power of Attorney to do all or any of the following acts with respect to the American Depository Receipts representing shares in **ACCORDIA GOLF** ("Securities") that the Bank holds in its safe custody on behalf of the Undersigned through a Participant in the Depository Trust Company.

- i) To sign and file required forms with competent tax authorities in order to secure any tax privileges and benefits such as tax reduction or tax-exemption at source.
- ii) To receive on behalf of the Undersigned tax repayments made by competent tax authorities as a result of lodging reclaim forms.
- iii) To perform any other act as may be necessary to execute the acts mentioned herein.

The Undersigned also authorizes the Bank and/or the Bank's designated standing proxy(ies) to submit this power of attorney or a photocopy of it to competent tax authorities.

## (Name of the Pension Fund/IRA)

<Place and Date> Place and Date <Signature of Officer of Beneficiary> Authorized Signature(s)/Title(s)

In addition, the authorized representative:

Confirms that more than 50% of the beneficiaries, members or participants of the eligible pension fund were individual residents of the \_\_\_\_\_\_ or Japan as of the prior taxable period.

(Name of the Pension Fund/IRA)

<Place and Date>
Place and Date

Signature of Officer of Beneficiary> Authorized Signature(s)/Title(s)

## **APPENDIX C**

居住者証明書 Certificate of Residence

私は、届出者\_\_\_\_\_\_
が、日本国と\_\_\_\_\_\_

との間の租税条約第 条第 項 に規定する居住者であることを証明します。

I hereby certify that (the applicant:)\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a resident under the provisions of the Income Tax Convention between Japan and <u>the</u> <u>United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland</u>, Article <u>22</u>, para. <u>2 (e)</u>.

年月日 \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/

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Signature		

官 印		
Official Stamp		
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## EXHIBIT 1

	TREATY ELIGIBLE PI	ENSIONS
COUNTRY OF PENSION FUND	DESCRIPTION	QUALIFYING PLANS
UNITED STATES	APPLIES TO A BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE ADRS THAT: 1) IS NOT ENGAGED IN A TRADE OR BUSINESS IN JAPAN THROUGH A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT SITUATED IN JAPAN, WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE U.S. DOUBLE TAXATION TREATY WITH JAPAN 2) IS A QUALIFYING "PENSION FUND" AS DEFINED ON PAGE 11 OF THE TECHNICAL EXPLANATION OF THE NEW TAX TREATY BETWEEN THE U.S. AND JAPAN, PUBLISHED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY 3) IS ABLE TO CERTIFY THAT MORE THAN 50 % OF THE BENEFICIARIES, MEMBERS OR PARTICIPANTS OF THE ELIGIBLE PENSION FUND WERE INDIVIDUAL RESIDENTS OF THE U.S. OR JAPAN AS OF THE PRIOR TAXABLE PERIOD.	<ul> <li>QUALIFIED PLANS UNDER SECTION 401(A)</li> <li>INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT PLANS (INCLUDING THOSE THAT ARE A PART OF A SIMPLIFIED EMPLOYEE PENSION PLAN THAT SATISFIES 408(K))</li> <li>INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS, INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ANNUITIES, SECTION 408(P) ACCOUNTS</li> <li>ROTH IRAS UNDER SECTION 408(A)</li> <li>SECTION 457 GOVERNMENTAL PLANS</li> <li>SECTION 403(A) QUALIFIED ANNUITY PLANS</li> <li>SECTION 403(B) PLANS</li> <li>SECTION 401(K) PLANS QUALIFY AS PENSION FUNDS BECAUSE A 401(K) PLAN IS A TYPE OF 401(A) PLAN.</li> <li>ANY OTHER FUND IDENTICAL OR SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE FOREGOING SCHEMES THAT ARE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO LEGISLATION INTRODUCED AFTER THE DATE OF SIGNATURE OF THE CONVENTION.</li> </ul>
UNITED KINGDON	APPLIES TO A BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE ADRS THAT: 1) IS NOT ENGAGED IN A TRADE OR BUSINESS IN JAPAN THROUGH A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT SITUATED IN JAPAN, WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE U.K. DOUBLE TAXATION TREATY WITH JAPAN, 2) IS A QUALIFYING "PENSION FUND" AS DEFINED BY ARTICLE 22, PARAGRAPH 2(E) OF THE INCOME TAX CONVENTION BETWEEN JAPAN AND THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND, PUBLISHED BY THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE JAPAN 3) IS ABLE TO CERTIFY THAT MORE THAN 50 % OF THE BENEFICIARIES, MEMBERS OR PARTICIPANTS OF THE ELIGIBLE PENSION FUND WERE INDIVIDUAL RESIDENTS OF THE U.K. OR JAPAN AS OF THE PRIOR TAXABLE PERIOD.	