Introduction

On 18 November 2013 Oak Leaf commenced statutory buy-out proceedings of the remaining outstanding shares of D.E MASTER BLENDERS 1753 N.V (DEMB).

Any former shareholder of DEMB is now entitled to request payment for their shares from the Consignment Fund of the Dutch Ministry of Finance <u>email</u> or <u>online</u> (in <u>Dutch only</u>).

Reference is made to the statutory buy-out proceedings commenced by Oak Leaf B.V. ("**Oak Leaf**") by means of a writ of summons on Monday 18 November 2013.

1. Statutory buy-out concluded

On 18 November 2013 Oak Leaf commenced statutory buy-out proceedings (in Dutch: *uitkoopprocedure*). These proceedings were held before the Enterprise Chamber of the Amsterdam Court of Appeal (in Dutch: *Ondernemingkamer van het Gerechtshof te Amsterdam*). The proceedings were concluded 24 April 2014, which means all remaining shares as of then have been automatically transferred to Oak Leaf.

Any former shareholder of D.E MASTER BLENDERS 1753 ("DEMB") is now entitled to request payment of the buy-out price (EUR 12.50) plus accrued interest from the Consignment Fund of the Dutch Ministry of Finance (in Dutch: *Consignatiekas van het Ministerie van Financien*) only.

2. Point of contact: Consignment Fund

The Consignment Fund is solely responsible for the handling of a request for payment and is the only point of contact in this regard, therefore:

- a request for payment should be sent to the Consignment Fund only;
- only the Consignment Fund can confirm receipt of a request for payment; and
- all questions regarding a request for payment should be sent to the Consignment Fund.

A request for payment and all other questions should be sent to the following (e-mail) address:

Consignment Fund: Ministry of Finance (Ministerie van Financiën)

attn. Consignatiekas P.O. box 20201 2500 EE 's-Gravenhage The Netherlands

e-mail: consignatiekas@minfin.nl

Website: http://www.rijksoverheid.nl/onderwerpen/consignatiekas (in Dutch only)

Due to the large number of request for payment, it may take a long time before the Consignment Fund responds to any correspondence received. As neither JACOBS DOUWE EGBERTS B.V (or former

DEMB entities) nor Oak Leaf control the Consignment Fund or have influence in the speed of any response received.

3. Instruction request for payment

a. <u>Shares held through an individual recording in D.E MASTER BLENDERS 1753 N.V.'s</u> shareholders' register (such as shares held through Computershare)

If your shares were individually recorded in DEMB's shareholders' register and if you are entitled to payment from the Consignment Fund, you should <u>directly</u> contact the Consignment Fund to request payment of the buy-out price plus any accrued interest.

A request for payment from the Consignment Fund can be done by letter or e-mail and should in any event include:

- the name, surname and address of the former shareholder;
- a copy of the former shareholder's passport or any other proof of identity; and
- details of the bank account (SWIFT number and routing number), including name, address and place, into which payment (if any) should be made.

If the former shareholder is represented by another person the request should also include:

 an original statement (power of attorney) confirming the authority of such person to represent the former shareholder and a copy of the passport or any other proof of identity of the authorized representative of the former shareholder (in addition to the above mentioned copy of the passport or any other proof of identity of the former shareholder).

If the request is made by a company the request should also include:

• an original extract from the companies (or similar) register, including information on the authority of the person representing such company and a copy of the passport or any other proof of identity of the authorized representative(s) of the company.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Consignment Fund may request additional information or documentation. As Oak Leaf and DEMB do not control the Consignment Fund, Oak Leaf and DEMB shall have no responsibility with respect to, or be liable for, any acts, omissions or requirements imposed by the Consignment Fund.

b. Shares beneficially held through a bank, broker or other financial intermediary

If you held shares, directly or indirectly, through an admitted institution and if you are entitled to payment from the Consignment Fund, you do <u>not</u> need to take any individual action to obtain payment of the buy-out price plus any accrued interest. You should receive the buy-out price plus any accrued interest from your bank, broker or other financial intermediary.

Background: the Consignment Fund will be requested to pay the aggregated buy-out price plus any accrued interest to Euroclear Netherlands (in Dutch: *Nederlands Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V.*). Subsequently, Euroclear Netherlands will distribute the buy-out price plus any accrued interest to the relevant admitted institutions. These admitted institutions will then pay the buy-out price plus any accrued interest to your bank, broker or other financial intermediary for payment into your securities or other account.

As Oak Leaf and DEMB do not control the Consignment Fund, Euroclear Netherlands, the relevant admitted institutions or your bank, broker or other financial intermediary, Oak Leaf and DEMB shall have no responsibility with respect to, or be liable for, such manner of payment or the timing thereof.

DISCLAIMER

This Q&A has been prepared for the convenience of former DEMB shareholders only and does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all aspects of the statutory buy-out proceedings, including the payment of the buy-out price. This Q&A does not constitute legal, financial, tax or other advice to DEMB's shareholders and shareholders are advised to seek independent advice where appropriate. In addition, shareholders may wish to consult with their tax advisers regarding the tax consequences of the statutory buy-out proceedings.