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**BY E-MAIL** 

Consultation Paper 142 Consultation on Prospectus Fees and Service Standards

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are writing to you in response to Consultation Paper 142 - Consultation on Prospectus Fees and Service Standards ("CP142").

McCann FitzGerald is one of Ireland's premier law firms and employs approximately 650 people, including more than 450 lawyers practicing Irish law from offices in Dublin, London, New York and Brussels. The firm's Debt Capital Markets group has significant depth of experience in all aspects of the debt capital markets, including advising issuers on producing prospectuses for approval by the Central Bank of Ireland (the "CBI").

The firm's subsidiary, McCann FitzGerald Listing Services Limited, a CBI Prospectus Advisor, is extremely active in the area of listing and has daily dealings with the CBI on behalf of its clients who are seeking to have their prospectuses approved by the CBI.

In light of the above, CP142 is highly relevant to both the law firm and the listing agent business and has been considered by us in detail. We have reviewed and contributed to the response prepared by the Irish Debt Securities Association to CP142 and wish to express our support for the detailed submissions made in that response. In particular, we are of the view that any increase in the

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proposed turnaround times for the review of prospectuses will be detrimental to the Irish market and will result in issuers deciding to have their prospectuses approved and their securities listed in other competing jurisdictions.

Yours faithfully,

(sent by email and accordingly bears no signature)

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