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In compliance with section 161 and section 19(2) of schedule 19 Finance Act 2016, the company is publishing its tax strategy for the year ending September 30, 2016.

As the head company of the consolidated group (the Group), we confirm that this strategy will apply to the following UK companies:

Skyworks Solutions Ltd; and
SiGe Semiconductor (Europe) Limited.

Our business has a strong focus on corporate responsibility, and we see responsible administration and payment of taxation as a responsibility of our business.

Group Tax Strategy

Our overall tax strategy, which is applied consistently within the worldwide Skyworks Group, is to:

- Meet all legal requirements and to make all appropriate tax returns and tax payments.
- Seek to utilize available tax reliefs and incentives where available in a manner which is consistent with the government's policy objectives.
- Consider the tax impact in major or complex business decisions – examples are acquisitions, mergers, and divestitures.
- Operate in an environment where we consider tax in the context of our reputation and brand.
- Comply with appropriate tax risk processes, and ensure there is Board oversight into this compliance.

Responsibility for tax governance and strategy lies with the Chief Financial Officer, with oversight of the Board and the Audit Committee.

The day to day responsibility for the application of the Tax Strategy and the management of the Group's tax affairs is delegated to the Vice President – Tax and Treasury. That person is required to report quarterly to the Audit Committee on compliance with the Tax Strategy.

The Vice President – Tax and Treasury is supported by a team of appropriately qualified in-house tax professionals based in the United States. The Group's Tax Team identifies, manages and, where possible, eliminates tax risk.

Risk management and governance arrangements

We want our tax affairs to be open and compliant with tax legislation, and recognize that managing tax compliance in a global environment is complex and growing increasingly complex.

Our internal structure is set up to ensure:

- The Board of Directors understands the importance of tax compliance, and how it is achieved.
- There is a constant dialogue between the Board and those individuals tasked with the operation of our finance function, regarding the way our business manages its tax risk.
- The business portrays a positive view towards tax compliance and the importance of meeting our obligations.

We continually review how we meet our tax obligations: by seeking external tax advice; investing in tax training for our staff; and, by maintaining a positive relationship with tax authorities.

Tax planning

We undertake tax planning as part of our overall business strategy. Professional advice is sought on a transactional basis, with the depth of such advice being driven by our assessment of the risk presented by each opportunity.

We do not undertake aggressive tax planning, the sole purpose for which would be obtaining a tax advantage. We do not enter into artificial arrangements in order to avoid taxation or to defeat the stated purpose of legislation. We have an affirmative responsibility to minimize our tax risk and our exposure to negative publicity through non-compliance.

Attitude towards risk

Tax risk is one of the commercial risks that the Group is exposed to as a result of its worldwide activities. We see compliance with tax legislation as key to managing our tax risk. In this context, management of tax risk means the Group pays and collects the correct amount of tax and meets local reporting and disclosure requirements while meeting our business objectives. In addition, we understand the importance of tax in the wider context of business decisions and have processes in place to ensure tax is considered as part of our decision making process.

We have relationships with professional advisers that allow us to seek expert advice on specialist areas of tax. Our approach is to ensure we are compliant and understand our responsibilities with regard to tax, rather than looking for ways to aggressively avoid payment of tax.

We are very conscious of the possible negative publicity attracted towards tax risk, and see strong internal processes and a good relationship with our professional advisors as the best way to manage this reputational risk.

Relationship with HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC)

Our communication with HMRC is while focused around timely tax compliance, for example meeting relevant filing and payment deadlines for taxes the company pays, but also includes tax planning and governance.

We employ the services of professional tax advisers to act as our agents, and in a number of cases they liaise with HMRC on our behalf. This is seen by the Board as a way to ensure we optimize our relationship with HMRC, which in turn reduces our tax risk.

