

**BARCLAYS CAPITAL'S NEW GUARANTEED DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS: THE ECOLOGICAL TRIO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT & THE FIVE YEAR GUARANTEED FTSE 100 DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

- Provide investors with protected access to a diversified trio of leading ecological funds or to the FTSE 100 Index
- Designed exclusively as investment links for use within offshore bonds and UK Wrap Accounts
  - Available from 3<sup>rd</sup> March to 28<sup>th</sup> April 2008

Barclays Capital, the investment banking division of Barclays PLC, today announces the launch of the latest products in the 'Structured Deposit Series for Offshore Bonds', offering two new deposit accounts: 'The Ecological Trio Deposit Account' and 'The Five Year Guaranteed FTSE 100 Deposit Account'. The Ecological Trio Deposit Account offers protected exposure to a basket of three leading ecological funds: Pioneer Funds – Global Ecology; KBC Eco Fund – Water; and Vontobel Fund – Global Trend New Power. The Five Year Guaranteed FTSE 100 Deposit Account provides exposure to the FTSE 100 Index.

Access to the deposits is via most offshore life bond providers\*, with the brochures and fact sheets available for download from [www.BarclaysOffshoreSolutions.com](http://www.BarclaysOffshoreSolutions.com) from the 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

**David Macdonald, Director, Barclays Capital, commented on the Ecological Trio Deposit Account:**

"We've recently seen a significant shift in focus towards climate change and wider ecological themes. This is reflected in regular press coverage, governmental policy change and increasingly in investment products that contribute to increased sustainability. Strong investment flows, wider awareness and favourable regulation now make many of the companies in the environmental and ecological sectors great opportunities for the equity investor.

This year we've observed the launch of many new funds seeking to benefit from the huge growth within these sectors. For example, New Energy Finance<sup>1</sup> recently reported a 41% increase in new

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<sup>1</sup> New Energy Finance Limited ([www.newenergyfinance.com](http://www.newenergyfinance.com)), Press Release 02 January 2008

money invested in the clean energy sector in 2007 (\$117bn), and Ernst & Young<sup>2</sup> estimated that annual global investment in renewable energy will reach \$750bn by 2016.

We are delighted to have collaborated with three of Europe's leading Ecological Fund Managers in creating this new deposit. We believe that the strong diversification in the product – the three separate Investment Management firms, the three diverse investment themes and the global remit of the funds – should prove extremely attractive to investors, particularly when considering recent concerns over market volatility and risk. Combining this with the 100% capital protection, and participation in only the upside of the ecological funds, we expect this to be one of our strongest product launches to date.”

Requiring a minimum investment of £50,000 or \$75,000 for the Ecological Trio Deposit Account, or £50,000 for the Five Year Guaranteed FTSE 100 Deposit Account, investors are guaranteed a full return of their initial capital investment, provided the product is held until its full five year maturity.

For full details of the offer and to download Factsheets and Brochures, visit [www.BarclaysOffshoreSolutions.com](http://www.BarclaysOffshoreSolutions.com), Email: [OffshoreSolutions@BarclaysCapital.com](mailto:OffshoreSolutions@BarclaysCapital.com) or call +44 (0) 20 7773 9225.

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**Notes to editors:**

\* Offshore life bond providers based predominantly in the Isle of Man, Dublin and the Channel Islands

**Account Schedule<sup>1</sup>**

**Account:** The Ecological Trio Deposit Account

**Offer period:** 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2008 to 28<sup>th</sup> April 2008

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<sup>2</sup> Ernst & Young ([www.ey.com](http://www.ey.com)), Press Release 06 August 2007

<b>Investment date:</b>	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2008
<b>Maturity date</b>	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2013
<b>Repayment date:</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> May 2013 (Five business days after the Maturity Date)
<b>Investment Basket:</b> (equally weighted)	Pioneer Funds – Global Ecology [Bloomberg: HYPECOT LX] KBC Eco Fund – Water [Bloomberg: KBEWATR BB] Vontobel Fund – Global Trend New Power [Bloomberg: VONGTPT LX]
<b>Minimum investment:</b>	£50,000 or \$75,000
<b>Participation:</b>	GBP: 100%, USD: 70%
<b>Investment Return Cap:</b>	GBP: 45%, USD: 29%

### Account Schedule<sup>3</sup>

<b>Account:</b>	The Five Year Guaranteed FTSE 100 Deposit Account
<b>Offer period:</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2008 to 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2008
<b>Investment date:</b>	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2008
<b>Maturity date</b>	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2013
<b>Repayment date:</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2013 (Two business days after the Maturity Date)
<b>Investment Index:</b>	FTSE 100 Index [Bloomberg: UKX Index]
<b>Minimum investment:</b>	£50,000
<b>Participation:</b>	220%
<b>Investment Return Cap:</b>	57%

### About Barclays Capital

Barclays Capital is the investment banking division of Barclays Bank PLC which has an AA long-term credit rating and a balance sheet of over £1.2 trillion. With a distinctive business model, Barclays Capital provides large corporate, government and institutional clients with solutions to their financing and risk management needs. Barclays Capital has offices in 29 countries, employs over 16,200 people and has the global reach and distribution power to meet the needs of issuers and investors worldwide.

### Awards won

**Risk Awards 2008**, Commodity and Energy Derivatives House of the Year, January 2008  
**Environmental Finance**, Annual Market Survey – Best Trading Company EU Emissions Trading Scheme for 2 consecutive years, December 2007  
**Structured Products Magazine** – Structured Products House of the Year, Commodities House of the Year for 3 consecutive years, Hybrids House of the Year – November 2007

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