

# Press Release

FORM 8 (OPD)

## PUBLIC OPENING POSITION DISCLOSURE BY A PARTY TO AN OFFER

Rules 8.1 and 8.2 of the Takeover Code (the "Code")

### 1. KEY INFORMATION

(a) Identity of the party to the offer making the disclosure:	Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co., Ltd ("KHK")
(b) Owner or controller of interests and short positions disclosed, if different from 1(a): <i>The naming of nominee or vehicle companies is insufficient</i>	N/A
(c) Name of offeror/offeree in relation to whose relevant securities this form relates: <i>Use a separate form for each party to the offer</i>	ProStrakan Group PLC ("ProStrakan")
(d) Is the party to the offer making the disclosure the offeror or the offeree?	OFFEROR
(e) Date position held:	18 February 2011
(f) Has the party previously disclosed, or is it today disclosing, under the Code in respect of any other party to this offer?	NO

### 2. POSITIONS OF THE PARTY TO THE OFFER MAKING THE DISCLOSURE

- (a) Interests and short positions in the relevant securities of the offeror or offeree to which the disclosure relates

Class of relevant security:	5p ordinary			
	Interests		Short positions	
	Number	%	Number	%
(1) Relevant securities owned and/or controlled:	0	0	0	0
(2) Derivatives (other than options):	0	0	0	0
(3) Options and agreements to purchase/sell:	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL:</b>	0	0	0	0

*All interests and all short positions should be disclosed.*

*Details of any open derivative or option positions, or agreements to purchase or sell relevant securities, should be given on a Supplemental Form 8 (Open Positions).*

Details of any securities borrowing and lending positions or financial collateral arrangements should be disclosed on a Supplemental Form 8 (SBL).

**(b) Rights to subscribe for new securities**

Class of relevant security in relation to which subscription right exists:	NONE
<b>Details, including nature of the rights concerned and relevant percentages:</b>	NONE

If there are positions or rights to subscribe to disclose in more than one class of relevant securities of the offeror or offeree named in 1(c), copy table 2(a) or (b) (as appropriate) for each additional class of relevant security.

**(c) Irrevocable commitments and letters of intent**

Details of any irrevocable commitments or letters of intent procured by the party to the offer making the disclosure or any person acting in concert with it (see Note 3 on Rule 2.11 of the Code):		
KHK has received irrevocable undertakings from each of the ProStrakan directors (as set out below) in respect of their own holdings, representing approximately 0.14 per cent. of the existing issued share capital of ProStrakan.		
KHK has also received irrevocable undertakings from certain institutional shareholders (as set out below) in respect of holdings or shares over which they have discretionary voting control, representing approximately 47.57 per cent. of the existing issued share capital of ProStrakan.		
KHK has therefore received total irrevocable undertakings representing approximately 47.71 per cent. of the existing issued share capital of ProStrakan.		
Name	No. of ordinary shares	%
<b>Directors</b>		
P Allen	50,000	0.02
A Watson	47,426	0.02
M Asbury	99,654	0.05
P Cawdron	20,000	0.01
F Fildes	58,000	0.03
S Turton	4,800	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>279,880</b>	<b>0.14</b>
<b>Certain Shareholders</b>		
Warburg Pincus*	49,282,291	24.36
Aberforth Partners LLP	18,284,435	9.04
LMS Capital plc	17,601,737	8.70
Schroders Investment Management Limited	11,064,656	5.47
<b>Total</b>	<b>96,233,119</b>	<b>47.57</b>
**"Warburg Pincus" here meaning, together, Warburg Pincus & Co., Warburg Pincus Partners, LLC, Warburg Pincus Private Equity VIII L.P., Warburg Pincus Netherlands Private Equity VIII I, CV, WP-WPVIII Investors L.P., Warburg Pincus Equity Partners L.P., Warburg Pincus Netherlands Equity Partners I, C.V., Warburg Pincus Netherlands Equity Partners III, C.V., Warburg Pincus International Partners, L.P., Warburg Pincus Netherlands International Partners I, CV and WP-WPIP Investors L.P.		

**3. POSITIONS OF PERSONS ACTING IN CONCERT WITH THE PARTY TO THE OFFER MAKING THE DISCLOSURE**

**Details of any interests, short positions and rights to subscribe of any person acting in concert with the party to the offer making the disclosure:**

Not practicable in the time available to have completed these enquiries. A further Opening Position Disclosure containing all relevant details will be made as soon as possible, and in any event before the deadline.

<i>Party</i>	<i>Interest in ProStrakan securities</i>	
Bank of America Merrill Lynch	Long	1,505,681
	Short	1,500,000
	Net	5,681

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*Details of any open derivative or option positions, or agreements to purchase or sell relevant securities, should be given on a Supplemental Form 8 (Open Positions).*

*Details of any securities borrowing and lending positions or financial collateral arrangements should be disclosed on a Supplemental Form 8 (SBL).*

4. OTHER INFORMATION

- (a) Indemnity and other dealing arrangements

**Details of any indemnity or option arrangement, or any agreement or understanding, formal or informal, relating to relevant securities which may be an inducement to deal or refrain from dealing entered into by the party to the offer making the disclosure or any person acting in concert with it:**

*If there are no such agreements, arrangements or understandings, state "none"*

NONE

- (b) Agreements, arrangements or understandings relating to options or derivatives

**Details of any agreement, arrangement or understanding, formal or informal, between the party to the offer making the disclosure, or any person acting in concert with it, and any other person relating to:**

- (i) the voting rights of any relevant securities under any option; or  
(ii) the voting rights or future acquisition or disposal of any relevant securities to which any derivative is referenced:

*If there are no such agreements, arrangements or understandings, state "none"*

NONE

- (c) Attachments

Are any Supplemental Forms attached?

<b>Supplemental Form 8 (Open Positions)</b>	NO
<b>Supplemental Form 8 (SBL)</b>	NO

<b><u>Date of disclosure:</u></b>	21 FEBRUARY 2011
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Public disclosures under Rule 8 of the Code must be made to a Regulatory Information Service and must also be emailed to the Takeover Panel at [monitoring@disclosure.org.uk](mailto:monitoring@disclosure.org.uk). The Panel's Market Surveillance Unit is available for consultation in relation to the Code's dealing disclosure requirements on +44 (0)20 7638 0129.

The Code can be viewed on the Panel's website at [www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk](http://www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk).

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