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BOARD CHANGES

Following the announcement that Susan Hooper will be joining British Gas as MD of its Services Division at the beginning of January 2014, Susan has decided to step down as a non executive director of the Company with effect from 1st January 2014 so that she can focus all her attention on her new role.

Anthony Habgood, Chairman, Whitbread PLC said

"Susan is taking a major new role in British Gas and I fully understand her decision to focus all her efforts on it for the immediate future. I would like to thank Susan for her contribution to the Whitbread Board and to wish her well in her new role".

Following a review of roles and responsibilities on the Board, Ian Cheshire will become Senior Independent Director with effect from 1st January 2014 taking over from Steve Williams who has fulfilled that role since March 2008. Steve will in turn take over from Ian as chairman of the Remuneration Committee with effect from the same date.

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Notes to Editors

Whitbread PLC is the owner of the UK's favourite hotel chain, Premier Inn and the UK's favourite coffee shop, Costa as well as restaurant brands, Beefeater, Brewers Fayre, Table Table and Taybarns.

Whitbread PLC employs 43,000 people in over 2,000* outlets across the UK, with its well-loved brands making every day experiences special for over 22 million UK customers every month.

Whitbread has outlined growth milestones for 2016 and 2018. The 2018 milestones are to increase the number of Premier Inn UK rooms to around 75,000 and to double the size of Costa with global system sales of £2bn.

In the year ended 28 February 2013, Whitbread PLC reported a 14.2% increase in Group Revenue to £2,030 million and Underlying Profit before tax of £356.5 million up 11.4%.

Whitbread PLC is listed on the London Stock Exchange and is a constituent of the FTSE 100. It is also a member of the FTSE4Good Index.

*excludes Costa Franchise stores and Costa Express

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