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Subject: RE: Traceability System for Tobacco Products – Request for approval of external auditor to prepare annual report on the activities of the Primary Repository Provider

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your e-mail concerning British American Tobacco's proposal of an external auditor.

I would like to inform you that the Commission is going to launch the official process for the approval of external auditors, as required under Article 15(8) of Directive 2014/40/EU, in coming weeks. All manufacturers and importers concerned will be informed accordingly, including on any supporting documents that may be required.

With kind regards,

[REDACTED]

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I am writing to you on behalf of British American Tobacco (Investments) Limited, the relevant operating entity for the wider British American Tobacco Group ("BAT") in relation to Article 15(8) of Directive 2014/40/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 April 2014 ("TPD"). Please let me know if you are not the correct person to contact for this matter.

According to Article 15(8) of the TPD, BAT must, as a tobacco manufacturer, appoint an external auditor to monitor the activities of IBM United Kingdom Limited, the independent provider of our primary repository.

We propose to appoint [REDACTED] as the external auditor to produce the required report for the competent authorities and the Commission. Please could you let us know whether you approve [REDACTED] as the external auditor to carry out the review for the purposes of Article 15(8) TPD.

If you have any questions please let me know.

Yours sincerely

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