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Recommended Acquisition of Arriva plc by DB UK Holding Limited (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Deutsche Bahn AG)

Scheme of Arrangement becomes effective

Arriva plc ("Arriva") announces that the Scheme has now become effective in accordance with its terms. Holders of Scheme Shares are entitled to receive 775 pence for each Scheme Share held by them at the Scheme Record Time (6.00 p.m. on 25 August 2010). Settlement consideration will be sent to Scheme Shareholders by 10 September 2010.

Arriva has made an application to the London Stock Exchange for the cancellation of the admission to trading of Arriva Shares on its main market for listed securities and to the UK Listing Authority for the cancellation of the admission of the Arriva Shares to the Official List, in each case to be effective from 8.00 a.m. on 31 August 2010.

Terms and expressions in this announcement shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the same meanings as given to them in the Scheme Document dated 18 May 2010.

This announcement will be made available on the Arriva website at www.arriva.co.uk.

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