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Option Holder Communication in connection with the recommended cash acquisition

of

**GLANTUS HOLDINGS PLC** 

by

#### **GENESIS BIDCO LIMITED**

(a newly incorporated private limited company wholly-owned by Basware Oy)

by means of a Scheme of Arrangement

under Chapter 1, Part 9 of the Companies Act 2014

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## To the holders of Glantus Options under the Glantus Share Plan

Dear Glantus Optionholders

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 On 14 August 2023, Glantus announced that it had reached agreement on the terms of a recommended acquisition of Glantus by Bidco, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Basware Oy by means of a scheme of arrangement under Chapter 1, Part 9 of the Companies Act 2014 (the "Acquisition").
- 1.2 Under the terms of the Acquisition, Glantus Shareholders will receive £0.3342 in cash for each Glantus Share (the "Consideration").
- 1.3 Enclosed is a copy of the Scheme Document dated 21 August 2023 setting out the details of the Acquisition. In this document, defined terms have the meanings given to them in the Scheme Document unless otherwise expressly defined herein.

1.4 We are writing to advise you of the effect the Scheme will have on your Glantus Options, and to request that you make an election as to how you would like your Glantus Options to be handled.

### 2. GLANTUS OPTIONS GRANTED UNDER THE GLANTUS SHARE PLAN

- 2.1 As mentioned in the Scheme Document, the Company is offering two options to the Glantus Optionholders. You are now invited:
  - (a) to the extent your Glantus Options have vested and are in the money, to exercise your Glantus Options in accordance with paragraph 2.2 below ("Option 1"); or
  - (b) to exchange all rights that you have to vested Glantus Options pursuant to the Glantus Share Plan (the "Exchange") for a cash payment equal to the Consideration less the appliable exercise price per Glantus Option (the "Option Cancellation Facility") (see further details in paragraph 2.3 below) ("Option 2").

## 2.2 **Option 1**

- (a) To the extent your Glantus Options have vested and are in the money, you may elect to exercise your Glantus Options rather than opting for the Option Cancellation Facility.
- (b) Pursuant to Option 1, all Glantus Shares issued to satisfy the vesting and exercise of your vested Glantus Options granted under the Glantus Share Plan on or before the Scheme Record Time will be Scheme Shares subject to the terms of the Scheme.
- (c) To elect for Option 1, you must pay the exercise price of your vested Glantus Shares and return an exercise election notice to the Company in accordance with the instructions received under the Rule 15 Proposal. Option 1 is conditional upon the return by you to Glantus of: (i) an exercise election notice, and (ii) the exercise price attaching to your vested Glantus Options, no later than 30 days following the date of this document (the "Rule 15 Proposal Date").
- (d) Should you elect to participate under Option 1, the Consideration for your vested Glantus Shares, less any income tax or social security which is payable by Glantus, shall become payable to you within 14 days following the Effective Date.

## 2.3 **Option 2**

(a) Option 2 is being introduced to streamline the Glantus Option exercise process. To the extent you do not wish to avail of Option 1, which necessitates payment

- by you to the Company of the exercise price attaching to your vested Glantus Options, you may instead avail of Option 2.
- (b) Pursuant to the Option Cancellation Facility, an amount equal to the Consideration less the appliable exercise price per vested Glantus Option that you have exchanged, and less any income tax or social security arising in respect of the Exchange shall become payable within 14 days following the Effective Date.
- (c) To avail of Option 2, you must notify the Company in writing no later than 30 days following the Rule 15 Proposal Date that you would like to avail of the Option Cancellation Facility.
- 2.4 Glantus Options which are not exercised in accordance with paragraph 2.2, or in respect of which an election for the Option Cancellation Facility is not made in accordance with paragraph 2.3(c), within the period of 30 days following the Rule 15 Proposal Date will lapse.
- 2.5 Please note that the Scheme will not extend to Glantus Shares issued after the Scheme Record Time and the proposed form of the amended Articles of Association provides that, if the Scheme becomes Effective, any Glantus Share issued after the Scheme Record Time will be automatically transferred to Bidco for the same consideration per Glantus Share as shall be payable to Glantus Shareholders by Bidco under the Scheme and on the basis that the Consideration, less the applicable exercise price (to the extent not already paid), shall become payable in respect of each such Glantus Share within fourteen calendar days following the Effective Date.
- 2.6 It should be noted that in the event that, for whatever reason, the Acquisition is not completed, there will be no change in the rights you enjoy under the Glantus Share Plan and you will continue to hold your Glantus Options subject to their existing terms and conditions.

# 3. TAX IMPLICATIONS IN RESPECT OF YOUR GLANTUS OPTIONS AND THE ACQUISITION

3.1 This summary is a general guide only and does not constitute tax advice. Taxation may vary depending on individual circumstances. Employees in any doubt as to their tax position should seek professional tax advice.

#### 3.2 **Income Tax**

When the Glantus Options vest, income tax will arise for participants on the date of vesting on the value of the Glantus Shares received. Income tax will be charged at the participant's marginal rate (the highest income tax rate is currently 40%).

#### 3.3 **USC**

In addition to income tax, the value of Glantus Shares received will be subject to the universal social charge (USC) which is generally charged at 4.5% (where relevant income in the tax year exceeds  $\{0.21,295\}$ ) or 8% (on relevant income over  $\{0.44\}$ ) where the participant is aged under  $\{0.45,0.44\}$ )

#### 3.4 **PRSI**

Employee PRSI will be payable on the value of the shares received. Employee PRSI is generally charged at the rate of 4%.

#### 3.5 Collection of Tax

Any income tax, USC and PRSI payable must be remitted to the Revenue Commissioners by Glantus. Glantus will withhold from the Consideration due to each Glantus Optionholder, such amount as is sufficient to settle any Glantus Awardholder liabilities to payroll taxes and deductions in respect of each Vested Glantus Award. You will receive 48% of the Consideration proceeds with the remaining 52% being withheld to cover the payroll taxes and deductions arising on the vesting of your Glantus Conditional Share Awards, which will be remitted to the Revenue Commissioners by Glantus.

## 3.6 Capital Gains Tax

Capital gains tax (CGT) is currently charged at 33% and the current annual gains exemption for CGT purposes is €1,270. To the extent the vesting value of the Glantus Shares for tax purposes is either equal to or higher than the Consideration, no CGT liability should arise on the cancellation of the Glantus Shares under the Scheme. However, if the vesting value of the Glantus Shares is lower than the Consideration on the cancellation of the Glantus Shares under the Scheme, then a CGT liability could arise on the difference between the vesting value and the Consideration. Any CGT liability arising must be paid to the Revenue Commissioners by the holder of the Glantus Shares.

## 4. AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

A special resolution will be put before the Glantus Shareholders at the EGM convened in relation to the Scheme proposing that the Memorandum and Articles of Association of Glantus be amended so that any Glantus Shares allotted following the EGM will (depending on when they are allotted) either be subject to the terms of the Scheme or acquired by Bidco for the same consideration.

### 5. ACTION

You are not required to take any action in connection with this document. If you are in any doubt as to the contents of this letter, you should consult an appropriately authorised financial adviser. If you require any further information in respect of the Scheme or the details set out

above, you should contact Paula Nolan at Glantus, Marina House, Block V, Eastpoint Business Park, Dublin D03, AX24.

## 6. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Having taken into account the relevant factors and applicable risks, the Glantus Board, which has been so advised by Shore Capital, as financial adviser and Rule 3 adviser to Glantus, as to the financial terms of the Acquisition, considers the terms of the Acquisition to be fair and reasonable. In providing its advice to the Glantus Board, Shore Capital has taken into account the commercial assessments of the Glantus Board.

## Yours faithfully



Maurice Healy CEO

For the on behalf of Glantus Holdings plc



Jason Kurtz
Director of Bidco and CEO of Basware

For and on behalf of Genesis Bidco Limited