

AXIS Specialty Finance PLC
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AXIS Specialty Finance PLC

\$250,000,000 2.650% Senior Notes due 2019

\$250,000,000 5.150% Senior Notes due 2045

Fully and unconditionally guaranteed by

AXIS Capital Holdings Limited

This term sheet should be read together with AXIS Specialty Finance PLC's preliminary prospectus supplement dated March 6, 2014 to the prospectus dated January 16, 2014.

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| Issuer: | AXIS Specialty Finance PLC |
| Guarantor: | AXIS Capital Holdings Limited |
| Legal Format: | SEC Registered |
| Security Type: | Senior, unsecured |
| Expected Ratings (Moody's / S&P):* | Baa1 (stable) / A- (stable) |
| Pricing Date: | March 6, 2014 |
| Settlement Date: | March 13, 2014 ¹ |
| Day Count Convention: | 30 / 360, unadjusted |
| Denominations: | \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof |
| Joint Book-Running Managers: | Barclays Capital Inc. Citigroup Global Markets Inc. HSBC Securities (USA) Inc. |
| Co-Managers: | Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated Wells Fargo Securities, LLC |

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BMO Capital Markets Corp.

Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC

ING Financial Markets LLC

Lloyds Securities Inc.

2.650% Senior Notes due 2019

Security:

Principal Amount:

\$250,000,000

Maturity Date:

April 1, 2019

Interest Payment Dates:

April 1 and October 1, commencing October 1, 2014,
and ending on the Maturity Date

Benchmark Treasury:

1.500% due February 28, 2019

Benchmark Treasury Price and Yield:

99-21 / 1.572%

Spread to Benchmark Treasury:

+110 basis points

- ⁽¹⁾ The Issuer expects that delivery of the 2.650% Senior Notes due 2019 and the 5.150% Senior Notes due 2045 will be made against payment therefor on or about March 13, 2014, which will be the fifth business day following the date hereof (this settlement cycle being referred to as T+5). Under Rule 15c6-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in three business days, unless the parties to a trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade the 2.650% Senior Notes due 2019 or the 5.150% Senior Notes due 2045 on the date hereof or the next succeeding business day will be required, by virtue of the fact that the 2.650% Senior Notes due 2019 and the 5.150% Senior Notes due 2045 initially will settle in T+5, to specify alternative settlement arrangements at the time of any such trade to prevent a failed settlement and should consult their own advisor.

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| Yield to Maturity: | 2.672% |
| Coupon: | 2.650% |
| Public Offering Price: | 99.896% |
| Net Proceeds (after discount and before expenses): | \$248,240,000 |
| Optional Redemption: | At any time at a discount of T + 20 basis points, plus accrued and unpaid interest |
| CUSIP / ISIN: | 05464HAA8 / US05464HAA86 |
| Security: | 5.150% Senior Notes due 2045 |
| Principal Amount: | \$250,000,000 |
| Maturity Date: | April 1, 2045 |
| Interest Payment Dates: | April 1 and October 1, commencing October 1, 2014, and ending on the Maturity Date |
| Benchmark Treasury: | 3.750% due November 15, 2043 |
| Benchmark Treasury Price and Yield: | 101-06 / 3.684% |
| Spread to Benchmark Treasury: | +150 basis points |
| Yield to Maturity: | 5.184% |
| Coupon: | 5.150% |
| Public Offering Price: | 99.474% |
| Net Proceeds | \$246,497,500 |
| (after discount and before expenses): | |
| Optional Redemption: | At any time at a discount of T + 25 basis points, plus accrued and unpaid interest |
| CUSIP / ISIN: | 05464HAB6 / US05464HAB69 |

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