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MARKET ANNOUNCEMENT

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Pioneer Permanent Building Society Limited has previously announced its intention to meet with a number of financial institutions interested in Pioneer's business.

Accordingly Pioneer representatives recently met with representatives of Mackay Permanent Building Society Limited to discuss a possible conditional Mackay proposal. The proposal will be presented to the full Pioneer Board for consideration.

Shareholders will be kept informed.

Mr Larry Voltz Company Secretary