

April 30, 2019

# **INVESTOR RELEASE**

NCB Financial Group Limited ('NCBFG') Notice Regarding Guardian Holdings Limited ('GHL') Take-Over Bid)

On April 15, 2019, NCBFG issued a release regarding the bid by NCBFG's wholly owned subsidiary NCB Global Holdings Limited ('NCBGH') to acquire a controlling interest in GHL. We now release a notice issued by NCBGH in connection with the bid. A copy of the notice is attached. Since preparing and arranging that notice for publication, NCBGH received (on April 29, 2019) a licence under the Trinidad & Tobago Foreign Investment Act. We now await a determination on requests made for a controlling shareholder permit, and will accordingly issue a further release/notice on or before May 3, 2019, which is the new extended closing date for NCBGH's bid.

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**NCB FINANCIAL GROUP** is the largest and most profitable financial services conglomerate in Jamaica with roots dating back to 1837. Through its banking, wealth management, life and general insurance, and offshore banking subsidiaries, NCB provides a wide array of financial products and services to meet the needs of individual and business clients in Jamaica, Cayman Islands, Trinidad & Tobago, Barbados and Bermuda. In May 2016, NCB acquired a 29.99% shareholding in GHL, the parent company of the Guardian Group.

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# Notice of Extension of Closing Date to May 3, 2019 issued by

# NCB GLOBAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

in respect of the Offer and Take-Over Bid Circular dated the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2018 (as amended by the Notice of Correction dated the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2018, the Notice of Extension dated the 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, the Notice of Extension dated the 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019 and the Notice of Clarification dated the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019)

To: Holders of issued and outstanding ordinary shares of Guardian Holdings Limited.

This Notice (this 'Notice') is supplemental to, and should be read in conjunction with, the Take-Over Bid Circular dated the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2018 (as amended by the Notice of Correction dated the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2018; the Notice of Extension dated the 7th day of February, 2019; the Notice of Extension dated the 11th day of February, 2019; and the Notice of Clarification dated the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019, the 'Offer Circular') issued by NCB Global Holdings Limited (the 'Offeror'), pursuant to which the Offeror offered to acquire up to Seventy-Four Million Two Hundred and Thirty Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty (74,230,750) ordinary shares (the 'Offer Shares') in Guardian Holdings Limited ('GHL') at the Offer Price in cash per Ordinary Share subject to the terms and conditions contained in the Offer Circular (the 'Offer'). Unless the context requires otherwise, terms not defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Original Offer Documents. The term 'Amended Offer Circular' means the Offer Circular, as supplemented by this Notice.

Except as otherwise set forth in this Notice, there have been no changes to the terms and conditions of the Offer and, as such, those terms and conditions previously set forth in the Offer Circular continue to be applicable in all respects.

This Notice will be issued in Trinidad and Tobago and a copy delivered to the Board of Directors of GHL and filed with the Trinidad and Tobago Securities and Exchange Commission ('TTSEC') and the Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange ('TTSE'). Neither of these entities takes any responsibility for the veracity or validity of the contents of this Notice, and, in accordance with established practice, have neither approved nor disapproved of the Offer (as amended herein).

# EXTENSION OF THE CLOSING DATE

However, as of the date of sending this Notice to press, certain approvals required under applicable legislation in Trinidad and Tobago remain outstanding. As the Offeror is restricted from taking up any GHL Shares until such time as all approvals are obtained, the Offeror has elected to extend the Closing Date to the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2019 in order to prevent the Offer from lapsing before such approvals are obtained.

The Offer will accordingly remain open for acceptance until the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2019 at 4:00PM (the 'Extended Closing Date'). In circumstances where all outstanding conditions of the Offer are either satisfied or waived by the Offeror, the Offeror reserves the right to vary and bring forward the Extended Closing Date. In such circumstances, the Offeror shall issue a public notice of the change to the Extended Closing Date at least fifteen (15) days prior to the new closing date.

# TIME OF PAYMENT

The Offeror will, upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the Offer, take up and pay for all Offer Shares deposited and not withdrawn under the Offer within the period required by applicable securities law and, in any event, except as otherwise required by applicable law, not later than ten (10) days after the Extended Closing Date, if all the terms and conditions of the Offer have been complied with or waived.

# RIGHT TO WITHDRAW

The rights of withdrawal applicable to GHL Shareholders are set out in Section 4 of Appendix 1 of the Offer Circular. The rights of withdrawal remain the same in the case of the Offer.

## **JURISDICTION**

The making of the Offer to persons not resident in, nor citizens of, Trinidad and Tobago may be affected by the laws of the relevant jurisdictions of those persons. GHL Shareholders not resident in and/or not citizens of Trinidad and Tobago should inform themselves about and observe and comply with any applicable legal requirements in their respective jurisdictions. It is the responsibility of any such GHL Shareholders wishing to accept the Offer to satisfy themselves as to the full observance of the laws of the relevant jurisdictions in connection therewith, including the obtaining of any governmental or other licenses, consents or approvals which may be required or the compliance with other necessary formalities.

## **DIRECTORS' APPROVAL**

The contents of this Notice have been approved, and the publication of this Notice has been authorized by, the directors of the Offeror.

## **CERTIFICATE**

The Offer Document and this Notice contain no untrue statement of a material fact and do not omit to state a material fact that is required to be stated or that is necessary to make a statement not misleading in the light of the circumstances in which it was made.

Yours faithfully For and on behalf of

NCB GLOBAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

Name: Patrick Hylton Title: Director

Dated this 30th day of April, 2019

Name: Dennis Cohen

Title: Director

Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019

Any questions or requests for assistance may be directed to:

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