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SANDERSON GROUP PLC Proposed secondary placing of ordinary shares in Sanderson

Sanderson Group plc ('Sanderson' or 'the Company'), the software and IT services business specialising in digital retail technology and enterprise software for businesses operating in the manufacturing, wholesale distribution and logistics sectors, announces that it has been advised by Christopher Winn, Executive Chairman (the 'Selling Shareholder') that he intends to sell approximately 3,686,924 million ordinary shares in the Company (the 'Placing Shares') via an accelerated bookbuild placing to institutional investors at a price of 90 pence per share (the 'Placing'). The Placing Shares represent approximately 6.15 per cent. of the issued share capital of Sanderson.

Assuming that all of the Placing Shares are sold, the Selling Shareholder would continue to have an interest in 8,000,000 ordinary shares in the Company, representing approximately 13.34 per cent. of the Company's issued share capital.

The Placing is being managed by N+1 Singer Advisory LLP ('N+1 Singer'), acting as sole bookrunner.

The final number of Placing Shares to be placed and the price at which the Placing Shares are to be placed will be agreed by N+1 Singer and the Selling Shareholder at the close of the bookbuild process, and the results of the Placing will be announced as

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soon as practicable thereafter. The timing for the close of the bookbuild process will be at the absolute discretion of N+1 Singer.

The Company is not a party to the Placing and will not receive any proceeds from the Placing.

The books for the Placing will open with immediate effect.

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