

The Chairman of FBD Holdings plc ("the Company") invites you to attend an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company to be held at **FBD House, Bluebell, Dublin 12**, on Friday 30 April 2010 at 1 p.m.

Shareholder Reference Number

## Form of Proxy - Extraordinary General Meeting ('EGM') of FBD Holdings plc to be held on 30 April 2010

**Kindly Note:** This form is issued only to the addressee(s) and is specific to the unique designated account printed hereon. This personalised form is not transferable between different (i) account holders; or (ii) uniquely designated accounts. The Company and Computershare Investor Services (Ireland) Limited accept no liability for any instruction that does not comply with these conditions.

### Explanatory Notes:

1. Every holder has the right to appoint some other person(s) of their choice, who need not be a shareholder as his proxy to exercise all or any of his rights, to attend, speak and vote on their behalf at the meeting. If you wish to appoint a person other than the Chairman, please insert the name of your chosen proxy holder in the space provided (see reverse). A Shareholder may appoint more than one proxy to attend and vote at the meeting provided each proxy is appointed to exercise rights attached to different shares held by that Shareholder. If the proxy is being appointed in relation to less than your full voting entitlement, please enter in the box next to the proxy holder's name (see reverse) the number of shares in relation to which they are authorised to act as your proxy. If left blank your proxy will be deemed to be authorised in respect of your full voting entitlement (or if this proxy form has been issued in respect of a designated account for a shareholder, the full voting entitlement for that designated account). Where a poll is taken at the EGM, a Shareholder, present in person or proxy, holding more than one share is not required to cast all their votes in the same way.
2. To appoint more than one proxy, an additional proxy form(s) may be obtained by contacting the Registrar's helpline on +353 1 447 5101 or you may photocopy this form. Please indicate in the box next to the proxy holder's name (see reverse) the number of shares in relation to which they are authorised to act as your proxy. Please also indicate by ticking the box provided if the proxy instruction is one of multiple instructions being given. All forms must be signed and should be returned together in the same envelope.
3. To be effective, the completed Form of Proxy together with any power of attorney or other authority under which it is executed, or a notarially certified copy thereof, must be deposited with the Registrar of the Company before the deadline set out below. A Shareholder wishing to appoint a proxy by electronic means may do so on the Registrar's website [www.computershare.com/ie/voting/fbd](http://www.computershare.com/ie/voting/fbd). Details of the requirements are set out in the box below. A Shareholder who wishes to appoint more than one proxy by electronic means must contact the Registrars by sending an email to [clientservices@computershare.ie](mailto:clientservices@computershare.ie)
4. The 'Vote Withheld' option overleaf is provided to enable you to abstain on any particular resolution. However, it should be noted that a 'Vote Withheld' is not a vote in law and will not be counted in the calculation of the proportion of the votes 'For' and 'Against' a resolution.
5. Pursuant to Section 134A of the Companies Act 1963 and regulation 14 of the Companies Act, 1990 (Uncertificated Securities) Regulations 1996, entitlement to attend and vote at the meeting and the number of votes which may be cast thereat will be determined by reference to the Register of Members of the Company at close of business on the day which is two days before the date of the meeting. Changes to entries on the Register of Members after that time shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend and vote at the meeting.
6. To appoint one or more proxies or to give an instruction to a proxy (whether previously appointed or otherwise) via the CREST system, CREST messages must be received by the issuer's agent (ID number 3RA50) not later than 1.00 p.m on Wednesday 28 April 2010. For this purpose, the time of receipt will be taken to be the time (as determined by the timestamp generated by the CREST system) from which the issuer's agent is able to retrieve the message. The Company may treat as invalid a proxy appointment sent by CREST in the circumstances set out in Regulation 35(5)(a) of the Companies Act, 1990 (Uncertificated Securities) Regulations 1996.
7. The above is how your address appears on the Register of Members. If this information is incorrect please ring the registrar's helpline on +353 1 447 5101 to request a change of address form or go to [www.investorcentre.com/ie](http://www.investorcentre.com/ie) to use the online Investor Centre service.
8. Any alterations made to this form should be initialled.
9. The appointment of a proxy will not preclude a member from attending the meeting and voting in person.

To be effective, all votes must be lodged at the office of the Company's registrars at:  
Computershare Investor Services (Ireland) Limited, P.O. Box 954, Heron House, Corrig Road, Sandyford Industrial Estate, Dublin 18 by 28 April 2010 at 1 p.m.  
or through the internet, see below:

### LODGE YOUR PROXY VOTE USING THE INTERNET 24 HOURS A DAY 7 DAYS A WEEK

All Named Holders:

SRN.

PIN.



### To Vote Using the Internet

Go to the following website:

[www.computershare.com/ie/voting/fbd](http://www.computershare.com/ie/voting/fbd)

You will be asked to enter the Shareholder Reference Number (SRN) and PIN Number as printed opposite and agree to certain terms and conditions.

### To View the Circular and Notice of Meeting Online

Go to the following website:

[www.fbdgroup.com](http://www.fbdgroup.com)

# Poll Card

To be completed **only** at the EGM when the Poll is taken.

## Ordinary Resolution 1

Vote  
For Against Withheld

That having regard to the provisions of the Irish Takeover Panel Act, 1997, Takeover Rules, 2007, as amended ('Takeover Rules') and to the conditions attached by the Irish Takeover Panel to the grant of a waiver under Rule 37 of the Takeover Rules as described on page 7 of the Company's circular ('Circular') to shareholders dated 30 March 2010, the increase in the percentage of the Voting Shares of the Company held by Farmer Business Developments plc and persons presumed under the Takeover Rules to be acting in concert with it, of up to **33.63%** in the circumstances described in the Circular without Farmer Business Developments plc and/or any person acting or deemed to be acting in concert with it being obliged to make an offer to the Company's shareholders pursuant to Rule 37, be and is hereby approved.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Form of Proxy

Please use a **black** pen. Mark with an **X** inside the box as shown in this example.



I/We hereby appoint the Chairman of the Meeting OR the following person

Please leave this box blank if you have selected the Chairman. Do not insert your own name(s).

as my/our proxy to attend, speak and vote in respect of my/our full voting entitlement\* on my/our behalf on any matter at the Extraordinary General Meeting of FBD Holdings plc to be held at **FBD House, Bluebell, Dublin 12**, on Friday 30 April 2010 at 1 p.m., and at any adjournment thereof.

I/We direct that my/our vote(s) be cast on the specified resolution as indicated by an X in the appropriate box.

\* For the appointment of more than one proxy, please refer to Explanatory Note 2 (see front).

Please tick here to indicate that this proxy appointment is one of multiple appointments being made.

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I/We direct my/our proxy to vote on the resolution proposed at the Meeting as indicated on this form. Where no instruction appears above as to how the proxy should vote the proxy may vote as he or she sees fit or abstain in relation to any business of the meeting.

Signature

Date

DD / MM / YY

In the case of a corporation, this proxy must be given under its common seal or be signed on its behalf by an attorney or officer duly authorised, stating their capacity (e.g. director, secretary).