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JJB Sports plc appoints John Clare as Senior Independent Non-Executive Director

Following its announcement on 24 July 2009, JJB Sports plc ("JJB" or the "Company") is pleased to confirm the appointment of John Clare CBE as Senior Independent Non-Executive Director with effect from 27 July 2009.

John Clare CBE served as the Chief Executive Officer of DSG International Ltd. from 1994 to September 2007, having joined DSG as Marketing Director in 1986 and serving as Managing Director of Dixons Stores Group from 1988 to 1992 and Group Managing Director of DSG International plc from 1992 to 1994.

Mr Clare has served as the Senior Independent Director of Hammerson plc since 3 May 2007 and as a Non-Executive Director since 1999. Mr Clare has also served as Non-Executive Chairman of Dreams plc since 2008 and as a director of Dyson James Limited since 2007. He also serves as Chairman of Jobcentre Plus (part of the Department of Work and Pensions). In 2005, he was awarded a CBE for services to the National Employment Panel.

Mr Clare has joined the JJB Board and has advised that there are no other details to be disclosed in accordance with Listing Rule 9.6.13.

Commenting on the appointment, Sir David Jones CBE, Executive Chairman said:

"It is with great pleasure that we announced John's appointment to the Board. To appoint a Senior Independent Non-Executive Director with John's wealth of experience in 'UK PLC' and UK retailing is a very positive move for JJB and its shareholders. To attract someone of John's calibre to this position is also testament to his and our belief in JJB Sports' successful future."

John Clare CBE, Senior Independent Non-Executive Director, said:

"I am delighted to have joined the Board of JJB Sports plc, and I look forward to working with Sir David and his management team. This is a company with a successful past, but even more successful times ahead of it. I am excited by the opportunity of being able to make a contribution to that future."

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About John Clare

Current directorships

Hammerson plc	1999 - present
Dyson James Limited	2007 - present
Itsmyfavouriteshop.com Limited	2008 - present
Dreams plc	2008 - present

About JJB Sports

JJB Sports plc (JJB: LSE) is one of the UK's leading sports retailers. The group, headquartered in Wigan and listed on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange, trades from over 250 JJB branded retail stores in the UK and Ireland and employs approximately 6,750 people. Further information about the group can be found on the group's corporate website, www.jjbcorporate.co.uk.

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