

7 September 2005

Pursuant to Sections 324 and 328 of the Companies Act 1985, we write to advise you of the following purchase of Ordinary 5p Shares in the Company in respect of Mr H D Hill, Managing Director of the Company.

| <u>Date of Transaction</u> | <u>Date of Notification</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>No. of Shares Purchased</u> | <u>Price Per Share</u> |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 07/09/05 | 07/09/05 | H D Hill | 30,000 | 344p |

Following the above transaction, Mr Hill's shareholding in the Company has increased from 435,000 to 465,000 shares, representing 0.26% of the issued share capital of the Company.

Director/Company Secretary
Countrywide Assured Group plc