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22 January 2021

Dear Sirs,

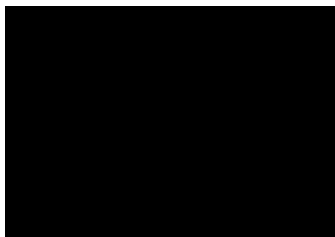
Recommended Cash Acquisition of Countrywide PLC (“Countrywide”) by Connells Limited (“Connells”)

We refer to the scheme document dated 22 January 2021 (the "**Scheme Document**") to be posted by Countrywide to Countrywide shareholders in connection with the recommended cash acquisition of Countrywide by Connells, a subsidiary of Skipton Building Society.

We hereby confirm that we have given and not withdrawn our consent to the publication of the Scheme Document with the inclusion therein of references to our name in the form and context in which they appear.

This letter is for your information only and should not be relied upon by any other person.

Yours faithfully,



For and on behalf of Evercore Partners International LLP