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MATRIX GROUP'S STEVEN FAWKES, PARTNER IN CORPORATE FINANCE, APPOINTED AS ADVISER TO THE UK DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Matrix Group's independent corporate finance and advisory business, is delighted to announce today that Steven Fawkes, partner in corporate finance, has been appointed as an adviser to the Energy Efficiency Deployment Office within the Department of Energy and Climate Change.

Matrix Corporate Capital's Energy, Renewables & Clean Tech specialist team provides advice and services to companies and management teams in relation to:

- Deal structuring, diligence and execution
- Mergers, acquisitions and disposals
- Strategic reviews and restructuring
- Partnerships, joint ventures and other alliances
- Public offers, including takeovers, public to private transactions and bid defence
- Equity capital raisings
- IPOs and flotations

The team's extensive experience in corporate finance and the energy industry gives the team access to a broad range of investors.

Energy, Renewables & Clean Tech is fully integrated within Matrix Group, which provides a strong platform for delivery. The team's services are complemented by access to the expertise and services of Matrix's Property and Asset Management divisions.

David Royds, Chairman of Matrix Group, commented:

"Matrix congratulates Steve on his appointment as an adviser to the Department of Energy and Climate Change. Steve continues to contribute significantly to the top level strategic advice we provide for our clients specifically in energy, renewables, clean technology and infrastructure."

Biography

Steven Fawkes joined Matrix Group in March 2007. A Chartered Engineer and PhD with over 20 years experience in energy management and renewable energy, Steven has developed energy management programmes for blue chip organisations and advised the UK and Romanian governments on energy efficiency policy. He also co-founded two energy services companies, one of which is now part of the RWE npower group and has published extensively on energy matters including a book "Outsourcing Energy Management". Having previously headed up research in New Energy and Clean Tech, Steven moved into Corporate Finance in January 2011.

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Matrix Group is an established, privately owned and independent financial services business founded in 1987. Matrix is focused on advising clients, raising funds and management of assets. Matrix's range of activities encompasses hedge funds, UCITS, private equity and property. In addition, Matrix provides specialist corporate finance and fund raising advice primarily concentrating

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on energy, clean tech, renewables and real estate clients, as well as a fully integrated service to investment funds clients (market making, sales, research, corporate broking and corporate finance).

Matrix Corporate Capital is the independent boutique corporate finance and advisory business of Matrix Group with three distinct specialist teams:

- **Energy, Renewables & Clean Tech**, principally focused on energy, renewables, clean technology and infrastructure, providing advice and services to companies and management teams. The team's extensive experience in corporate finance and industry gives them access to a broad range of investors. In addition, they have strong links with Government and regulatory bodies.
- **Investment Funds**: this specialist 14 strong closed ended funds team comprises sales, research, market making and corporate finance. They are broker to more than 50 investment funds, a number of which were successfully launched by the team. Clients include investment trusts, venture capital trusts and closed ended funds incorporated off-shore, typically in the Channel Islands.

Matrix Investment Funds Team has UKLA Sponsor status with respect to providing sponsor services for investment funds on the London Stock Exchange, in addition to our Nomad and Broker status on the Alternative Investment Market.

- **Real Estate Finance**: this specialist team is focused on real estate finance, providing comprehensive advice and services to companies and management teams on all aspects of real estate transactions and private equity fund products.

These specialist teams are fully integrated within Matrix Group, which provides a strong platform for delivery. These corporate finance and advisory services are complemented by access to the expertise and services of the Property and Asset Management divisions.