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COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

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COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT INFORMATION TO THE MARKET

Interest Payment under 5.7% Merkanti Holding Plc Secured Bond 2033 ISIN MT0002291202

This company announcement is issued by Merkanti Holding p.l.c. (C 70823) (the "MH") pursuant to the Capital Markets Rules issued by the Malta Financial Services Authority.

Further to the company announcements of 13th and 18th August 2026, MH announces that the payment of the interest due on August 12th will take place on or before 31st August 2026.

MH wishes to apologise for the delay in settling the annual interest due on 12th August 2026. MH has carried out administrative and managerial changes as announced to the market and has put in place new internal procedures and controls. Unfortunately, these corporate actions coincided with the bond interest payment period and impacted MH's ability to access and transfer its own funds.

MH expects final registration of the corporate changes and the revised instructions for its bankers to be in place early this week at which point the new management will be in a position to fund the required amount to meet the full interest payment.

MH's audited 31st December 2025 financial statements are available on its website.

The board of directors of MH is currently composed of the following five directors: Mr. Smith, Mr. Ware, Ms. Stenger, Mr. Kumar and Ms. Moravcevic.

Finally, MH informs the market that there were 18 mailings to bondholders for a total value of EUR8,374, which included bank cheques in settlement of the annual interest due to these bond holders. These bondholders do not receive electronic bank settlement as they have not provided direct settlement instruction to the Malta Stock Exchange. The mailing of the cheques was an administrative error.

For the purpose of article 2(1)(b)(i) of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1055, the Company hereby announces that this company announcement includes 'inside information' in terms of Regulation (EU) 596/2014 (the Market abuse Regulation).

Martin Ware
Director
24 August 2026