

CELLTECH GROUP PLC
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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

(Rule 14d-100)

TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(1) OR 13(e)(1) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

(Amendment No. 8)

Celltech Group plc

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

UCB S.A.

(Names of Filing Persons (Offeror))

Ordinary Shares
American Depositary Shares
(Title of Class of Securities)

Ordinary Shares (GB0001822765)
American Depositary Shares (US1511581027)
(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

Jettie Van Caenegem
UCB S.A.
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(Name, Address, and Telephone Number of Person
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications on Behalf of Filing Persons)

CALCULATION OF FILING FEE

Transaction Valuation(1)

Amount of Filing Fee(1)(2)

\$2,731,955,531

\$346,138

(1)

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For purposes of calculating the filing fee pursuant to Rule 0-11(d), the transaction value of the Celltech Shares and Celltech ADSs (each Celltech ADS represents two Celltech Shares) to be received by UCB, assuming acceptance of the Offer by holders in the United States, is calculated as follows: 278,128,673 Celltech Shares (including Celltech Shares represented by ADSs) multiplied by 550 pence per Celltech Share, the cash consideration being offered per Celltech Share which yields £1,543,913,835, converted to U.S. dollars at the noon buying rate on May 17, 2004, of £1=\$1.7695 which yields \$2,731,955,531, multiplied by 0.0001267, which yields \$346,138. Each of the capitalized terms used is defined in the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed May 19, 2004.

(2)

Sent via wire transfer to the SEC on May 18, 2004.

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third-party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.

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issue tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4.

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going-private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3.

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amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

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1. Names of Reporting Persons.

UCB S.A.

I.R.S. Identification Nos. of persons (entities only)

Not applicable.

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a) o

(b) o

3. SEC Use Only

4. Source of Funds (See Instructions)

WC, BK

5. Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)

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6. Citizenship or Place of Organization

Kingdom of Belgium

Number of
Shares
Beneficially

7. Sole Voting Power 89,493,000 ordinary shares, nominal value 50 pence per share

Owned by
Each
Reporting

8. Shared Voting Power

Person
With

9. Sole Dispositive Power 89,493,000 ordinary shares, nominal value 50 pence per share

10. Shared Dispositive Power

11. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

89,493,000 ordinary shares, nominal value 50 pence per share

12. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instruction)

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13. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)

29.99% of issued and outstanding ordinary shares, nominal value 50 pence per share

14. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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This Amendment No. 8 (the "**Amendment**") amends the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO (the "**Schedule TO**") initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**SEC**") on May 19, 2004 by UCB S.A., a société anonyme organized under the laws of the Kingdom of Belgium ("**UCB**"), relating to a third-party tender offer (the "**Offer**") by UCB to purchase all of the (i) ordinary shares, nominal value of 50 pence each (the "**Celltech Shares**"), and (ii) American Depositary Shares, each representing two Celltech Shares and evidenced by American Depositary Receipts, of Celltech Group plc, a public limited company organized under the laws of England and Wales ("**Celltech**").

This Amendment amends the disclosure in Item 8 of the Schedule TO to reflect UCB's ownership of 89,493,000 Celltech Shares, representing approximately 29.99% of the entire issued share capital of Celltech. This Amendment also amends the Schedule 13D filed with the SEC on June 14, 2004 to reflect the information set out in Item 8 below.

On June 18, 2004, UCB issued a press release related to the Offer announcing, *inter alia*, an extension of the initial offer period and the level of acceptances as of the first closing date. The announcement has been included as exhibit 99.(a)(22) hereto.

On June 18, 2004, public disclosure pursuant to Rule 8 of the U.K. City Code on Takeovers and Mergers (the "**City Code**") was made in the United Kingdom in connection with the purchase of 34,308,106 Celltech Shares at 548 pence per share by or on behalf of UCB, outside the United States, otherwise than pursuant to the Offer. The public disclosure has been included as exhibit 99.(a)(23) hereto.

ITEM 8. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE SUBJECT COMPANY.

Item 8(a) has been amended and restated as follows:

- (a) As of June 17, 2004, UCB beneficially owned an aggregate of 89,493,000 Celltech Shares, representing approximately 29.99% of the entire issued share capital of Celltech.

Item 8(b) has been amended to include the following:

- (b) (8) On June 17, 2004, 34,308,106 Celltech Shares (the "**Purchase Shares**") were purchased by or on behalf of UCB at a price of 548 pence per share in market purchases on the London Stock Exchange. The purchase of the Purchase Shares was funded using monies obtained pursuant to loans under the Fortis Acquisition Facility and the KBC Acquisition Facility (each as defined in the offer document dated May 19, 2004), which are attached hereto as exhibits 99.(b)(1) and 99.(b)(2), respectively.
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ITEM 12. EXHIBITS.

- 99.(a)(1) Offer Document dated May 19, 2004.
- 99.(a)(2) Letter of Transmittal.
- 99.(a)(3) Notice of Guaranteed Delivery.
- 99.(a)(4) Letter to Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees.
- 99.(a)(5) Letter to Clients for use by Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees.
- 99.(a)(6) Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9.
- 99.(a)(7) Summary Advertisement in the *Wall Street Journal*.
- 99.(a)(8) Form of Acceptance, Authority and Election.
- 99.(a)(9) Instructions on "How to accept the Offer for your Celltech Shares".
- 99.(a)(10)* Agreement for the Collaboration Between Celltech R & D LTD and UCB Farchim S.A.
- 99.(a)(11) Confidentiality Agreement dated April 19, 2004 between UCB and Celltech.
- 99.(a)(12) Memorandum of Understanding dated May 13, 2004 between UCB and Celltech.
- 99.(a)(13) Side Letter from UCB to Celltech dated May 17, 2004.
- 99.(a)(14) Summary advertisement in the *Financial Times*.
- 99.(a)(15) Announcement pursuant to Rule 8 of the City Code in connection with an acquisition of Celltech Shares by or for the benefit of UCB.
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- 99.(a)(21) Announcement pursuant to Rule 8 of the City Code in connection with an acquisition of Celltech Shares by or for the benefit of UCB.
- 99.(a)(22)^o Press release by UCB announcing the level of acceptances pursuant to the Offer as at June 17, 2004 and an extension of the initial offer period.
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- 99.(b)(1) Umbrella Agreement attaching a Credit Facility Letter, Credit Agreement, General Lending Conditions and General Terms and Conditions, dated as of May 17, 2004, between Fortis Bank S.A./N.V. and UCB S.A.
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2004, between KBC Bank N.V. and UCB S.A.

- 99.(d)(1) Inducement Agreement dated May 17, 2004 between UCB and Celltech.
 - 99.(d)(2) Irrevocable undertaking by Mr. Goran Ando.
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Filed herewith.

SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

By: /s/ GEORGES JACOBS

Name: Baron Georges Jacobs

Title: Executive Director

Date: June 18, 2004

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