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**First Derivatives plc
("FD" or the "Company")**

Issue of Equity

FD (AIM: FDP.L, ESM: FDP.I) announces the issue and allotment of 90,000 new ordinary shares of 0.5p each in the Company (the "Ordinary Shares") pursuant to the exercise of share options by certain employees.

Application has been made for the new Ordinary Shares to be admitted to trading on AIM and ESM and it is expected that admission will take place on 7 September 2018. The new Ordinary Shares will rank pari passu with the existing shares of the Company. Following these allotments, the total issued share capital of the Company will increase to 25,981,858 ordinary shares.

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