

# Appendix 3X

## Initial Director's Interest Notice

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<b>Name of entity</b>	Coats Group Plc (formerly Guinness Peat Group Plc)
<b>ABN</b>	Incorporated and registered in England and Wales with registered number 103548

We (the entity) give ASX the following information under listing rule 3.19A.1 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Corporations Act.

<b>Name of Director</b>	Richard Howes
<b>Date of appointment</b>	2 March 2015

### Part 1 - Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is the registered holder

*In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust*

Note: In the case of a company, interests which come within paragraph (i) of the definition of "notifiable interest of a director" should be disclosed in this part.

<b>Number &amp; class of securities</b>
200,000 ordinary shares

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**Part 2 – Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is not the registered holder**

*In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust*

Name of holder & nature of interest <small>Note: Provide details of the circumstances giving rise to the relevant interest.</small>	Number & class of Securities
Richard Howes - 1,521,739 options over issued shares, which were granted under the Coats plc Long Term Incentive Plan on the terms announced on 26 February 2015	1,521,739 options over issued fully paid ordinary shares

**Part 3 – Director's interests in contracts**

Note: In the case of a company, interests which come within paragraph (ii) of the definition of "notifiable interest of a director" should be disclosed in this part.

Detail of contract	Not Applicable
Nature of interest	
Name of registered holder (if issued securities)	
No. and class of securities to which interest relates	