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18 May 2021

Alphawave IP Group plc

Admission to Trading on the London Stock Exchange

Further to the announcement on 13 May 2021 in connection with its initial public offering, the Group announces that its entire issued ordinary share capital, consisting of 664,965,934 Shares, has today been admitted to the standard listing segment of the Official List of the Financial Conduct Authority and to trading on the London Stock Exchange’s Main Market for listed securities under the ticker “AWE”.

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In connection with the Global Offer, the Stabilisation Manager may, for stabilisation purposes, over-allot Shares up to a maximum of 15% of the total number of Shares comprised in the Global Offer. For the purposes of allowing it to cover short positions resulting from any such over-allotments and/or from sales of Shares effected by it during the stabilisation period, the Stabilisation Manager will enter into over-allotment arrangements with certain existing shareholders pursuant to which the Stabilisation Manager may purchase or procure purchasers for additional Shares up to a maximum of 15% of the total number of Shares comprised in the Global Offer (the “Over-Allotment Shares”) at the offer price. The over-allotment arrangements will be exercisable in whole or in part, upon notice by the Stabilisation Manager, at any time on or before the 30th calendar day after the commencement of conditional trading of the Shares on the LSE. Any Over-Allotment Shares made available pursuant to the over-allotment arrangements, including for all dividends and other distributions declared, made or paid on the Shares, will be purchased on the same terms and conditions as the Shares being issued or sold in the Global Offer and will form a single class for all purposes with the other Shares.

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