

Lloyds Banking Group plc  
Form 6-K  
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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C.20549**

**FORM 6-K**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer  
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

26 October 2009

**LLOYDS BANKING GROUP plc**  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**5th Floor  
25 Gresham Street  
London  
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United Kingdom**

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports  
under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the  
Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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No. 1 Regulatory News Service Announcement, dated 26 October 2009

re: Sale of Employee Equity Solutions

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## **LLOYDS BANKING GROUP ANNOUNCES SALE OF EMPLOYEE EQUITY SOLUTIONS BUSINESS**

Lloyds Banking Group plc today announces that it has concluded a strategic review of its Employee Equity Solutions (EES) business. This review has resulted in an agreement to sell EES to Computershare for a cash consideration of up to £40 million, subject to regulatory approval. The effect on the Lloyds Banking Group accounts is not expected to be material.

EES offers a complete share plan service to over 400 companies in 100 different countries. This includes a full range of share plans; such as all-employee, international sharesave plans, performance-based executive plans, UK tax approved plans and structured offshore trust and administration services. Computershare will continue to service all existing clients.

EES employs approximately 420 people across three main locations: Halifax, Jersey and Purley and it is expected that they will transfer, on completion of the sale, to Computershare. Lloyds Banking Group has consulted with the unions (Accord, LTU and Unite) and they will continue to be consulted throughout the transfer process.

The transfer is expected to complete by the end of the year, subject to regulatory approval.

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### **FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This announcement contains forward looking statements with respect to the business, strategy and plans of the Lloyds Banking Group, its current goals and expectations relating to its future financial condition and performance. By their nature, forward looking statements involve risk and uncertainty because they relate to events and depend on circumstances that will occur in the future. The Group's actual future results may differ materially from the results expressed or implied in these forward looking statements as a result of a variety of factors, including UK domestic and global economic and business conditions, the ability to derive cost savings and other benefits as well as to mitigate exposures from the acquisition and integration of HBOS, risks concerning borrower quality, market related trends and developments, changing demographic trends, changes in customer preferences, changes to regulation, the policies and actions of governmental and regulatory authorities in the UK or jurisdictions outside the UK, including other European countries and the US, exposure to regulatory scrutiny, legal proceedings or complaints, competition and other

factors. Please refer to the latest Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the US Securities and Exchange Commission for a discussion of such factors. The forward looking statements contained in this announcement are made as at the date of this announcement, and the Group undertakes no obligation to update any of its forward looking statements.

### **Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

LLOYDS BANKING GROUP plc  
(Registrant)

By: M D Oliver

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Title: Director of Investor

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Date: 26 October 2009