ALSTOM Ltd Group Personal Pension Plan AT A GLANCE



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INTRODUCTION

Alstom offers you the chance to join the Alstom GPP, a defined contribution pension plan that provides flexibility, value for money and a comprehensive range of benefits. This document summarises the key features of membership.

A range of options at retirement

At retirement, the individual account you build up in the Alstom GPP is used to provide you with an income in retirement in a form that suits your needs. There is also the option to take up to 25% of your individual account as a tax-free cash sum.

Choose what contributions you pay

You can choose how much you pay, subject to a minimum of 3% of your Pensionable Earnings. (This is your basic pay plus any fixed allowances that the Company confirms are pensionable.)

The Company will match your ordinary contribution, up to a maximum of 10%, as set out in the table below.

The rate of ordinary contributions you choose will apply until the next annual renewal (in April).

You also have the option to pay Additional Voluntary Contributions (AVCs). Unlike your ordinary contributions, the Company does not match any AVCs you choose to pay. This means that if you are considering AVCs but have selected an ordinary contribution rate of less than 8%, you should first consider increasing the level of these contributions. In this way you will be able to maximise the contributions that the Company will make towards your retirement savings in the Alstom GPP

They will also be arranged through the Company's Salary Sacrifice for pension contributions scheme unless you have the opportunity to confirm otherwise. (For details, please see the covering letter from the UK Benefits Director, Bryan Radford, dated 14 May 2012.) This means you will receive tax and National Insurance relief on your contributions, which reduces the real cost to you.

Your ordinary contribution	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%
Company contribution	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	10%

Choose how your contributions are invested

You can choose from a selection of over 200 investment funds or the default option, the Alstom Mixed Investment Lifestage Approach (designed for members who do not wish to manage their own investments).

Keep track of the retirement savings you are building up

You will have access to a range of resources designed to help you manage your retirement savings quickly, easily and at your own convenience.

Aviva will send you a personalised statement once a year. This will show the value of your individual account in the Alstom GPP at the date the statement was prepared and the pension that this might provide you with.

You can see up-to-date information about your individual account and the benefits it could provide at retirement at any time by logging onto Aviva's Pension Tracker. (Aviva will provide you with a password when you join the Alstom GPP.)

You can also use this resource to manage your investments online.

You can find more information about the Alstom GPP in the pack that Aviva have sent you or on the Alstom Pensions website at www.pensions.uk.alstom.com.

Membership of the Alstom GPP is a 'once only opportunity'. You will not, ordinarily, be able to join the Alstom GPP at a later date.

Please consider carefully the benefits you will be giving up (for you and your dependants) if you are thinking of opting-out.

SICKNESS AND DEATH BENEFITS

As a member of the Alstom GPP you will also be enrolled as a member of the ALSTOM Ltd Group Life Assurance Scheme (the Alstom GLAS) and the ALSTOM Ltd Income Replacement Scheme (the Alstom IRS). These schemes, which are not part of the Alstom GPP, provide valuable death in service and sickness benefits respectively.

Provision for your dependants if you die in service

The Alstom GLAS provides lump sum cover equal to:

 four times your Pensionable Earnings in the last complete Plan year (which runs from 6 April to 5 April)

plus

 member contributions and employer contributions your individual account in the Alstom GPP would have received until your 65th birthday or, if later, your State Pension Date (calculated using the rate of contributions that you and the Company paid in the last complete Plan year)

The value of your individual account in the Alstom GPP would also be payable.

Sickness cover

The Alstom IRS provides cover for you if you cannot work due to illness or injury.

This cover provides a benefit equal to 50% of your Pensionable Earnings payable for up to two years. A lump sum payment will be paid into your individual account in the Alstom GPP if you are still unable to return to work after two years.

You can find more information about the Alstom GLAS and the Alstom IR Scheme on the Alstom Pensions website at **www.pensions.uk.alstom.com**.

We will send you further details, and an Expression of Wish Form that you will need to fill in and return, during the summer.

