



NZX Release

Notification of Transfer of Treasury Stock

1 December 2017

For the purposes of Listing Rules 7.12.1 of the NZX Main Board Listing Rules, Heartland Bank Limited (**Heartland**) (NZX: HBL) advises the transfer of treasury stock from its wholly-owned subsidiary, Heartland NZ Trustee Limited (**HNZ Trustee**), to Heartland.

HNZ Trustee previously acted as the trustee for an employee share scheme called the "Heartland New Zealand Limited Share Plan Trust" (**Scheme**). As trustee, HNZ Trustee held legal title to shares in Heartland on behalf of the participants in the Scheme. Upon satisfaction of the Scheme's grant criteria, HNZ Trustee transferred shares to the participants.

As the grant criteria for some grants were never satisfied, HNZ Trustee continued to hold legal title to 440,677 shares in Heartland (**Shares**). As there were no longer any participants in the Scheme, the Shares were treated as treasury stock from an accounting perspective.

HNZ Trustee subsequently transferred the legal title to the Shares to Heartland, which will continue to hold the Shares as treasury stock.

Class of Security	Fully paid ordinary shares
ISIN	NZBSHE0001S0
Number acquired	440,677
Acquisition price	Nil
Payment	Nil
Amount paid up	Fully paid
Percentage of total class acquired	0.0854% of the total number of fully paid ordinary shares
Reason for acquisition	As set out above
Authority for acquisition	HNZ Trustee Directors' resolution dated 28 April 2017 and Heartland Directors' resolution dated 27 September 2016.
Terms or details of acquisition	As set out above
Total number of securities of the class after acquisition	522,670,335 (as at 30 November 2017 and including the 440,677 shares held as treasury stock)
Treasury Stock	Yes

Date of acquisition

28 April 2017

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