J&E Davy Statement following settlement agreement with the Central Bank

Davy deeply regrets the shortcomings that emerged from the Central Bank of Ireland's investigation and apologises unreservedly and unequivocally that these failures occurred, and that Davy failed to adhere to the high standards expected of the firm both internally and externally.

Under the supervision of the Board, the relevant aspects of compliance and governance at Davy have been subject to internal and external review. A process of Board, management and staff renewal over recent years, has seen significant investment in processes, structures, people development and culture across the firm, most notably in areas such as compliance, risk, governance, people management and stakeholder communication.

Based on these actions and on third party professional assessment of same, the Board is satisfied that the issues that occurred in 2014 could not recur. Davy and its Board has commenced a detailed review of the findings so as to ensure that lessons are learnt and appropriate actions are taken for the benefit of all stakeholders.

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