



To: Stock Exchange

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23 December 2009

**Martin Currie Portfolio Investment Trust plc
Transaction in own shares - 23 December 2009**

Martin Currie Portfolio Investment Trust plc, on 23 December 2009, bought back 20,000 ordinary shares at a price of 114.75p per share for immediate cancellation.

Following this purchase 117,192,502 ordinary shares remain in issue.