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October 09, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR October 9, 2003

ALLIED DOMEQC PLC

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

ALLIED DOMEQC PLC

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

The Pavilions  
Bridgwater Road  
Bedminster Down  
Bristol BS13 8AR  
England

(Address of Registrant's 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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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information 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.

Yes

No

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If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82- \_\_\_\_\_

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Exhibit No.

Description

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Peter Lehmann Unconditional

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Allied Domecq PLC Bid for Peter Lehmann Wines Limited Declared Unconditional

Allied Domecq PLC (Allied Domecq) today announces that it has declared its Offer for Peter Lehmann Wines Limited (PLW), through its wholly owned subsidiary Allied Domecq Wines Australia Pty Ltd, free of all remaining conditions. Allied Domecq will also accelerate dispatch of payment to shareholders to within five days after acceptance.

This decision has been made following completion of Allied Domecq's review of the PLW Target's Statement and final due diligence.

The Allied Domecq Offer of \$4.00 per PLW share represents a 15 cents per share (3.9%) premium to the \$3.85 per share offer by Hess Group Australia Pty Ltd.

Commenting on developments, Allied Domecq Chief Executive Philip Bowman said:

"PLW shareholders can now compare two unconditional offers, which both provide for payment within five days of acceptance. At \$4.00 per PLW share, the Allied Domecq offer is 3.9% higher than the Hess offer and guarantees shareholders an extra 15 cents per share.

"We look forward to receiving the endorsement of the PLW Independent Directors and encourage PLW shareholders to accept our Offer without delay."

Further information

Summary information on Allied Domecq can be obtained from its website, [www.allieddomecq.com](http://www.allieddomecq.com). Original high-resolution photographs are available to the media free of charge at [www.newscast.co.uk](http://www.newscast.co.uk) +44 207 608 1000.

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PLW Shareholder Inquiries

Inquiries from Peter Lehmann Wines Limited shareholders will not be taken on the above numbers. All such inquiries should be directed to the Peter Lehmann Wines Offer Information Line on (Australia) 1300 766 699 or (outside Australia) +61 2 9240 7458. For legal reasons calls to these numbers will be recorded.

SIGNATURE

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, thereto duly authorized.

9 October, 2003

ALLIED DOMEQC PLC

By: /s/ Charles Brown

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Name: Charles Brown  
Title: Director of Secretariat & Deputy  
Company Secretary