NEWS RELEASE

Holding(s) in Company

1/12/2011

RNS Number : 3696Z

Wolseley PLC

12 January 2011

TR-1: NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARESi

1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached: ii	Wolseley PLC

2 Reason for the notification (please tick the appropriate box or boxes):

An acquisition or disposal of voting rights	X
An acquisition or disposal of qualifying financial instruments which may result in the acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached	
An acquisition or disposal of instruments with similar economic effect to qualifying financial instruments	X

An event changing the breakdown of voting rights

Other (please specify):

3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation: iii	BlackRock, Inc.
4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.):iv	
5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached: v	11th January 2011
6. Date on which issuer notified:	12th January 2011
7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached: vi, vii	Holding has gone above 13%

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8. Notified details:

A: Voting rights attached to shares viii, ix

Class/type of shares	Situation previous to the triggering transaction		Resulting situation after the triggering transaction				
if possible using the ISIN CODE	Number of Shares	Number of Voting Rights	Number of shares	Number of voting rights		% of voting rights x	
			Direct	**Direct** xi	**Indirect** xii	Direct	Indirect
GB00B5ZN3P43	32,882,059	32,882,059	N/A	N/A	37,752,867	N/A	13.27%

B: Qualifying Financial Instruments

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial instrument	**Expiration date** xiii	**Exercise/ Conversion Period** xiv	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/ converted.	% of voting rights

C: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect to Qualifying Financial Instruments xv, xvi

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial instrument	Exercise price	**Expiration date** xvii	**Exercise/ Conversion period** xviii	Number of voting rights instrument refers to	**% of voting rights** xix, xx	
CFD				1,410,346	Nominal	Delta
					0.50%	0.50%

Total (A+B+C)

Number of voting rights	Percentage of voting rights
39,163,213	13.76%

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9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable: xxi

BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited - 39,163,213 (13.76%)

Proxy Voting:

10. Name of the proxy holder:

11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease to hold:

12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold voting rights:

13. Additional information:

	n/a
14. Contact name:	Alison Drew
15. Contact telephone number:	0118 929 8700

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