NEWS RELEASE

Holding(s) in Company

4/8/2009

RNS Number : 3922Q

Wolseley PLC

08 April 2009

TR-1: notification of major interests in shares

1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached:	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 financial instruments which may result in the acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached	
An event changing the breakdown of voting rights	

Other (please specify): Exemption DTR 5.1.5 (1)	X
3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation:	The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.
4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.):	Goldman Sachs International Goldman, Sachs & Co.
5. Date of the transaction (and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached if different):	06 APRIL 2009
6. Date on which issuer notified:	08 APRIL 2009
7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached:	3%
8. Notified details:	

A: Voting rights attached to shares

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 viii	Number of shares	Number of voting rights ix		% of voting rights	
				Direct x	Indirect xi	Direct	Indirect
GB00B5ZN3P43		Below 3%		2,890,454.00		3.26%	
US97786P1003		Below 3%		9.20		0.00%	

B: Financial Instruments

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction xii

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

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Total (A+B)

Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
2,890,463.20	3.26%

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

The interest in 2,890,454 shares arose from a beneficial interest held by Goldman Sachs International, a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of GS Inc. These shares are, or will be, registered at CREST in account CREPTEMP.

The interest in 9.2 shares arose from a beneficial interest held by Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("GS&Co."), a direct subsidiary of GS Inc. of 92 American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs"). These ADRs are, or will be, held at the Depositary Trust Company of New York ("DTC").

Proxy Voting:

10. Name of the proxy holder:	N/A
11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease to hold:	N/A
12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold voting rights:	N/A

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13. Additional information:

14. Contact name:	Alison Drew
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