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# Holding(s) in Company

4/8/2009

RNS Number : 3929Q

Wolseley PLC

08 April 2009

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TR-1: NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARES

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| 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):

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| An acquisition or disposal of voting rights | |
| An acquisition or disposal of financial instruments which may result in the acquisition of shares already issues to which voting rights are attached | |
| An event changing the breakdown of voting rights | |
| Other (please specify): Change to the number of Voting Rights in issue following the recent placing and capital reorgansiation. | X |

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| 3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation: | Lloyds Banking Group plc |
| 4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.): | See Section 9 |
| 5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached: | 2 April 2009 |
| 6. Date on which issuer notified: | 8 April 2009 |
| 7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached: | Interests above 5% Direct/Indirect |

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 | | | | |
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| if possible using the ISIN CODE | Number of Shares | Number of Voting Rights | Number of shares | Number of voting rights | | % of voting rights | |
| | | | Direct | Direct | Indirect | Direct | Indirect |
| Ord 10p | 51,693,463 | 51,693,463 | 437,867 | 437,867 | 4,717,386 | 0.49% | 5.32% |
| GB00B5ZN3P43 | Pre Consolidation | | | | | | |

B: Financial Instruments

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

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

Total (A+B)

| Number of voting rights | % of voting rights |
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| 5,155,253 | 5.81% |

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

2,700,782 Shares (3.04%) are held by State Street Nominees Ltd. Shares are under the control of Scottish Widows Investment Partnership Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Scottish Widows Group Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Lloyds TSB Bank plc, a wholly owned subsidiary of Lloyds Banking Group plc (Indirect Interests).

1,607,323 shares (1.81%) are under the control of Insight Investment Management (Global) Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Insight Investment Management Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of HBOS Insurance & Investment Group Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of HBOS plc, a wholly owned subsidiary of Lloyds Banking Group plc (Indirect Interests).

Proxy Voting:

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| 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: | Notification using the revised total voting rights figure of 88,698,854 |
| 14. Contact name: | Alison Drew |
| 15. Contact telephone number: | 0118 929 8700 |

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