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Holding(s) in Company

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Wolseley PLC

23 April 2010

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):

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	
An event changing the breakdown of voting rights	
Other (please specify):	

3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation:	AXA S.A., 25 Avenue Matignon, 75008 Paris and its group of companies
4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.):	
5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached:	22/04/2010
6. Date on which issuer notified:	23/04/2010
7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached:	5%

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	Number of shares	Number of voting rights		% of voting rights	
			Direct	Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect
B5ZN3P4	16,551,642	16,551,642	247,739	247,739	14,071,404	0.09	4.96

B: Qualifying Financial Instruments

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise/ Conversion Period	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

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial instrument	Exercise price	Expiration date	Exercise/ Conversion period	Number of voting rights instrument refers to	% of voting rights	
					Nominal	Delta

Total (A+B+C)

Number of voting rights	Percentage of voting rights
14,319,143	5.04%

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

Name of Company / Fund	Number of shares	% of issued share capital
Alliance Bernstein (Direct)	92,200	0.032481
Alliance Capital Management (Direct)	53,900	0.018988
AXA Financial, Inc (Indirect)	14,027,708.30	4.941753
AXA IM UK (Direct)	101,639	0.035806

AXA IM UK (Indirect)	43,696	0.015393
Total Direct	247,739	0.08727
Total Indirect	14,071,404	4.95715
Total	14,319,143	5.04442

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:

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

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