NEWS RELEASE

Holding(s) in Company

7/24/2009

RNS Number : 2738W

Wolseley PLC

24 July 2009

TR-1: NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST 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 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:

20/07/2009

6. Date on which issuer notified:

24/07/2009

7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached:

10%

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
	25,077,670	25,077,670	1,157,083	1,157,083	27,840,136	0.41	9.81
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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
28,997,219	10.22%

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 Capital Management Direct	251,700	0.08868
AXA Direct	541,217	0.19068
AXA Australia Indirect	71,125	0.02506
AXA Financial, Inc	27,466,752	9.67686

Direct		
AXA France	258,467	0.09106
Indirect		
AXA IM UK	364,166	0.13
Direct		
AXA IM UK	43,792	0.0152
Indirect		
Total Direct	1,157,083	0.40765
Total Indirect	27,840,136	9.80841
Total	28,997,219	10.21607

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:

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13. Additional information:

14. Contact name:	Kyere Tabiri
15. Contact telephone number:	020 7003 1510

Annex to Notification of Major Interests in Shares

Identification of legal entity subject to the notification obligation

Full name	AXA S.A and its group of companies
Contact Address	25 Avenue Matignon, 75008 Paris
Phone Number	
Other useful information	

Identity of the notifier, if applicable

Full name	Kyere Tabiri
Contact Address	7 Newgate Street, London, EC1A 7NX, UK
Phone Number	020 7003 1510
Other useful information	AXA IM UK is a 100% direct subsidiary of AXA IM S.A, which is in turn indirectly wholly owned by AXA S.A

Additional Information

The company news service from the London Stock Exchange

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