NEWS RELEASE

Holding(s) in Company

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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:

22/06/2009

6. Date on which issuer notified:

24/07/2009

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
	10,024,833	10,024,833	1,299,950	1,299,950	14,739,114	0.45	5.19
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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
16,039,064	5.65%

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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	73,407	0.13156
Direct		
AXA	545,917	0.19233
Direct		
AXA Financial, Inc	14,145,627	4.98367
Direct		
AXA France	550,335	0.19389
Indirect		
AXA IM UK	380,626	0.13410
Direct		
AXA IM UK	43,152	0.02
Indirect		
Total Direct	1,299,950	0.45799
Total Indirect	14,739,114	5.19277
Total	16,039,064	5.65075

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:	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

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