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# Participation notification by Blackrock Inc.

Brussels, October 7, 2020, 08:30 CEST - According to Belgian transparency legislation (Law of May 2, 2007), BlackRock Inc. (55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.) recently sent to Solvay the following transparency notification indicating that it crossed the threshold of 3%. Here is a summary of the move:

Date on which the threshold was crossed	Voting rights after the transaction	Equivalent financial instruments after the transaction	Total
October 1, 2020	3.00%	0.20%	3.20%

The notification, dated October 2, 2020, contains the following information:

- Reason for the notification: acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights
- Notified by: BlackRock Inc. (55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.)
- Date on which the threshold is crossed: October 1, 2020
- Threshold of direct voting rights crossed: 3% upwards
- Denominator: 105,876,416
- Additional information: The disclosure obligation arose due to voting rights attached to shares for BlackRock, Inc. going above 3%.
- Persons subject to the notification requirement:

Name	Address (for legal entities)
BlackRock, Inc.	55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	Rembrandt Tower, 17th floor, Amstelplein, Amsterdam, Netherlands
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	20 Anson Road #18-01, Singapore, 79912, Singapore
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	181 Bay Street, Suite 2500, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2S1, Canada
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	Lenbachplatz 1 1st Floor, Munich, 80333-MN3, Germany
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	15/F, 16/F, 17/F Citibank Tower & 17/F ICBC Tower, 3 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong
BlackRock Capital Management, Inc.	100 Bellevue Parkway, Wilmington, 19809, U.S.A.
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.
BlackRock Fund Advisors	400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA, 94105, U.S.A.
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA, 94105, U.S.A.
BlackRock International Limited	Exchange Place One, 1 Temple Street, Edinburgh, EH3 8BL, U.K.
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	Level 37 Chifley Tower, 2 Chifley Square, Sydney NSW 2000, Australia
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	1 University Square Drive, Princeton, NJ, 8540, U.S.A.
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	1-8-3 Marunouchi Chiyoda-ku, Trust Tower Main, Tokyo, 100-8217, Japan



## Notified details

A) Voting rights	Previous notification	After the transaction			
	# of voting rights	# of voting rights		% of voting rights	
	Holders of voting rights	Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities	Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities
BlackRock, Inc.	0	0		0.00%	
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	11,664	10,148		0.01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	144	144		0.00%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	587,801	542,151		0.51%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	35,133	35,133		0.03%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	52,265	55,369		0.05%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	125,863	125,330		0.12%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	2,554	2,593		0.00%	
BlackRock Capital Management, Inc.	0	6		0.00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	5,644	5,644		0.01%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	916,334	918,489		0.87%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	1,077,000	1,094,786		1.03%	
BlackRock International Limited	313	313		0.00%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	32,835	32,835		0.03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	177,212	207,912		0.20%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	94,185	94,227		0.09%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	51,706	51,706		0.05%	
Subtotal	3,170,653	3,176,786		3.00%	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3,176,786</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3.00%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

B) Equivalent financial instruments	After the transaction					
	Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise period or date	# of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised	% of voting rights	Settlement
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			128,313	0.12%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			2,452	0.00%	physical
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract for Difference			1,073	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference			75,744	0.07%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			70	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract for Difference			7,139	0.01%	cash
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>214,791</b>	<b>0.20%</b>	

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