

# Participation notification by Blackrock Inc.

Brussels, December 1, 2020, 08:30 CET - 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 |  |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|-------|--|
| November 25, 2020                       | 2.61%                               | 0.39%  | 3.00% |  |

The latest notification, dated November 26, 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: November 25, 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                      | 161 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 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<br>Association | 400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA, 94105, U.S.A.                                  |  |  |  |
| BlackRock International Limited                                | Exchange Place One, 1 Semple Street, Edinburgh, EH3 8BL, U.K.                        |  |  |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management (Australia)<br>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                |  |  |  |

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# Notified details

| A) Voting rights   | Previous notification | After the transaction |                                 |                      |                              |  |  |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
|  | # of voting rights    | # of votin            | % of voting rights              |                      |                              |  |  |
| Holders of voting rights                                       |                       | Linked to securities  | Not linked to the<br>securities | Linked to securities | Not linked to the securities |  |  |
| BlackRock, Inc.  | 0                     | 0                     |                                 | 0.00%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.                                   | 9,381                 | 9,381                 |                                 | 0.01%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock (Singapore) Limited                                  | 144                   | 144                   |                                 | 0.00%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited                                | 525,767               | 212,355               |                                 | 0.20%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock Advisors, LLC  | 33,283                | 35,247                |                                 | 0.03%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock Asset Management Canada<br>Limited                   | 55,369                | 55,369                |                                 | 0.05%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock Asset Management<br>Deutschland AG                   | 122,560               | 121,540               |                                 | 0.11%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock Asset Management North<br>Asia Limited               | 2,554                 | 2,554                 |                                 | 0.00%                | -                            |  |  |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                           | 14,428                | 22,628                |                                 | 0.02%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock Fund Advisors  | 916,610               | 928,644               |                                 | 0.88%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock Institutional Trust Company,<br>National Association | 1,026,473             | 1,025,401             |                                 | 0.97%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock International Limited                                | 382                   | 378                   |                                 | 0.00%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management<br>(Australia) Limited         | 32,835                | 32,835                |                                 | 0.03%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management<br>(UK) Limited                | 149,315               | 155,793               |                                 | 0.15%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management,                               | 90,950                | 99,196                |                                 | 0.09%                |                              |  |  |
| BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.                                      | 60,347                | 64,029                |                                 | 0.06%                |                              |  |  |
| Subtotal   | 3,040,398             | 2,765,494             |                                 | 2.61%                |                              |  |  |
| TOTAL  |                       | 2,765,494             | 0                               | 2.61%                | 0.00%                        |  |  |

| B) Equivalent financial instruments                            | After the transaction        |                 |                         |  |                    |            |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--|--------------------|------------|
| Holders of equivalent financial instruments                    | Type of financial instrument | Expiration date | Exercise period or date | # of voting rights<br>that may be<br>acquired if the<br>instrument is<br>exercised | % of voting rights | Settlement |
| BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited                                | Securities Lent              |                 |                         | 309,343  | 0.29%              | physical   |
| BlackRock Institutional Trust Company,<br>National Association | Securities Lent              |                 |                         | 40,846   | 0.04%              | physical   |
| BlackRock Investment Management<br>(UK) Limited                | Securities Lent              |                 |                         | 33,691   | 0.03%              | physical   |
| BlackRock Investment Management,<br>LLC                        | Securities Lent              |                 |                         | 2,672  | 0.00%              | physical   |
| BlackRock Advisors, LLC  | Contract for Difference      |                 |                         | 838  | 0.00%              | cash       |
| BlackRock Institutional Trust Company,<br>National Association | Contract for Difference      |                 |                         | 23,493   | 0.02%              | cash       |
| BlackRock Investment Management,<br>LLC                        | Contract for Difference      |                 |                         | 268  | 0.00%              | cash       |
|  | TOTAL                        |                 |                         | 411,151  | 0.39%              | •          |

Transparency notifications and the full chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held is available on the <u>Investor Relations Section</u> of Solvay's website.

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