

## PARTICIPATION NOTIFICATION BY BLACKROCK INC.

**Brussels, Tuesday July 30, 2019, 08h30 CEST** --- According to Belgian transparency legislation (Law of May 2, 2007), BlackRock Inc. (55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.) has notified Solvay S.A. that:

- On July 25, 2019 BlackRock Inc. crossed downwards the 3% statutory threshold for direct voting rights, holding 2.98%. Including equivalent financial instruments, the total voting rights stood at 3.31%.

Declarations by BlackRock Inc. are published in the Investor Relations Section of Solvay's website.

### Notification on July 29, 2019:

- Reason for the notification: Disposal of direct voting rights
- Notified by: BlackRock Inc. (55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.)
- 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	100 Bellevue Parkway, Wilmington, DE, 19809, 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 Association	400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA, 94105, U.S.A.
BlackRock International Limited	Exchange Place One, 1 Sempole Street, Edinburgh, EH3 8BL, U.K.
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	Level 26, 101 Collins Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000, 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

- Date on which the threshold is crossed: July 25, 2019
- Threshold of direct voting rights crossed: 3% downwards
- Denominator: 105,876,416

→ Notification details: The voting rights and equivalent financial instruments total 3,503,871 voting rights or 3.31%.

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.	11,582	11,150		0.01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	5,619	6,179		0.01%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	652,686	373,197		0.35%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	55,537	44,107		0.04%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	42,041	50,922		0.05%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	128,646	114,794		0.11%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	3,703	1,156		0.00%	
BlackRock Capital Management, Inc.	428	0		0.00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	21,115	67,267		0.06%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	923,555	934,280		0.88%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	1,046,350	1,164,191		1.10%	
BlackRock International Limited	2,392	1,573		0.00%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	26,039	32,383		0.03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	204,898	207,961		0.20%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	103,997	107,806		0.10%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	203,417	34,114		0.03%	
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>3,432,005</b>	<b>3,151,080</b>		<b>2.98%</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	Contract for Difference			411	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract for Difference			2,433	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference			4,729	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			107	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract for Difference			18,903	0.02%	cash
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			244,240	0.23%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			47,550	0.04%	physical
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	Securities Lent			34,418	0.03%	physical
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>352,791</b>	<b>0.33%</b>	

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→ Chain of control:

BlackRock, Inc.	BlackRock, Inc.
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.	BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.	BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.	BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.
BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.	BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.
BlackRock HK Holdco Limited	BlackRock HK Holdco Limited
BlackRock Lux Finco S.a.r.l.	BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited
BlackRock Japan Holdings GK	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	BlackRock, Inc.
	BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.
BlackRock, Inc.	BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.
Trident Merger, LLC	BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.
	BlackRock Holdco 3, LLC
BlackRock, Inc.	BlackRock Cayman 1 LP
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.	BlackRock Cayman West Bay Finco Limited
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	BlackRock Cayman West Bay IV Limited
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.	BlackRock Group Limited
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.	BlackRock Finance Europe Limited
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BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	BlackRock Canada Holdings ULC
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.	BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.	
BlackRock Australia Holdco Pty. Ltd.	BlackRock, Inc.
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Solvay is headquartered in Brussels with around 24,500 employees in 62 countries. Net sales were €10.3 billion in 2018, with 90% from activities where Solvay ranks among the world's top 3 leaders, resulting in an EBITDA margin of 22%. Solvay SA (SOLB.BE) is listed on Euronext Brussels and Paris Bloomberg: SOLB.BB - Reuters: SOLB.BR), and in the United States its shares (SOLVY) are traded through a level-1 ADR program.

(Figures take into account the planned divestment of Polyamides.)

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