

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

1. Name of listed company	2. Name of shareholder with a major interest
SECURITIES TRUST OF SCOTLAND PLC	ALLIANCE TRUST SAVINGS NOMINEES LTD

3. Please state whether notification indicates that it is regarding the holding of the shareholder named in 2 above; in respect of a non-beneficial interest; or in respect of An individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18.	4. Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them
AS IN 2.	AS IN 2.

5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired	6. Percentage of issued class (any treasury shares held by the listed company should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)	7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed	8. Percentage of issued class (any treasury shares held by the listed company should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)
NOT DISCLOSED	NOT DISCLOSED	58,613	0.00057%

9. Class of security	10. Date of transaction	11. Date listed company informed
ORDINARY SHARES 1p	25 APRIL 2006	26 APRIL 2006

12. Total holding following this notification	13. Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification (any treasury shares held by the listed company should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)
17,319,101	16.98%

14. Any additional information	15. Name of contact and telephone number for queries
All shares are held on behalf of investors in plans administered by Alliance Trust Savings Limited.	STEVEN McKEANE 0131 479 4886

16. Name and signature of duly authorised officer of the listed company responsible for making this notification
MARTIN CURRIE INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LIMITED
Date of notification 28 APRIL 2006