

PARTICIPATION NOTIFICATION BY BLACKROCK INC.

Brussels, Friday November 24, 2017, 8h00 CET --- According to the Belgian transparency legislation in force (Law of May 2, 2007), BlackRock Inc. (55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.) has notified Solvay SA that on November 8, 2017, the number of direct voting rights held by BlackRock Inc. crossed the 3% statutory threshold upward, totalling 3.35%. Together with the voting rights held through equivalent financial instruments, it detains 3.95% of the existing voting rights emitted by Solvay S.A.

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

Notification on November 23, 2017:

- Reason for the notification: Acquisition of voting securities or 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	Max-Joseph-Straße 6, Munich, 80333, 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 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

- Date on which the threshold is crossed: November 8, 2017
- Threshold crossed: 3% upward (lowest declaration threshold)
- Denominator: 105,876,416

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→ Notification details: The voting rights and equivalent financial instruments total 4,178,547 voting rights or 3.95%.

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.	10,456	10,456		0.01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	4,409	3,689		0.00%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	436,407	226,935		0.21%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	40,812	77,380		0.07%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	33,841	38,234		0.04%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	116,939	123,350		0.12%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	855	37,200		0.04%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	3,553	3,958		0.00%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	930,783	1,002,807		0.95%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	1,055,379	1,079,008		1.02%	
BlackRock International Limited	2,506	2,392		0.00%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	31,694	25,903		0.02%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	139,021	812,014		0.77%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	79,039	79,607		0.08%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	102,928	22,870		0.02%	
Subtotal		3,545,803	0	3.35%	0.00%

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			387,479	0.37%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			85,498	0.08%	physical
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	Securities Lent			76,722	0.07%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			1,621	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract For Difference			216	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract For Difference			62,060	0.06%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract For Difference			19,148	0.02%	cash
Subtotal				632,744	0.60%	

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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.	
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.	BlackRock, Inc.
BlackRock Group Limited	BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.
	BlackRock Holdco 4, LLC
BlackRock, Inc.	BlackRock Holdco 6, LLC
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.	BlackRock Delaware Holdings Inc.
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	BlackRock Fund Advisors
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.	
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.	BlackRock, Inc.
BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.	BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.
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BlackRock Capital Holdings, Inc.	BlackRock International Limited
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	
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BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.	BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.	BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.
BlackRock Holdco 3, LLC	BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.
BlackRock Canada Holdings LP	BlackRock Australia Holdco Pty. Ltd.
BlackRock Canada Holdings ULC	BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	
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BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	BlackRock, Inc.
	Trident Merger, LLC
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BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.	BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.	BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.
BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.	BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.
BlackRock Asia-Pac Holdco, LLC	BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.
BlackRock HK Holdco Limited	BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	BlackRock Asia-Pac Holdco, LLC
	BlackRock HK Holdco Limited
	BlackRock Cayco Limited
	BlackRock Trident Holding Company Limited
	BlackRock Japan Holdings GK
	BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.

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