

## PARTICIPATION NOTIFICATION BY BLACKROCK, INC

**Brussels, Tuesday November 23, 2016, 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 S.A. that:

- On November 11, 2016 BlackRock Inc. crossed the statutory declaration threshold of 3% upward, detaining 3.01% of the existing voting rights emitted by Solvay S.A.;
- On November 17, 2016 BlackRock Inc. crossed the statutory declaration threshold of 3% downward (% of the existing voting rights emitted by Solvay S.A.);
- On November 18, 2016 BlackRock Inc. crossed the statutory declaration threshold of 3% upward, detaining 3.04% 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 15, 2016:

- 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 Semple 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 11, 2016
- 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 3,191,725 voting rights or 3.01%.

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 securities	Linked to securities	Not linked to securities
BlackRock, Inc		0		0.00%	
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.		11,454		0.01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited		5,389		0.01%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited		301,857		0.29%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC		29,043		0.03%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited		7,620		0.01%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG		108,488		0.10%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited		375		0.00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.		31,295		0.03%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors		721,154		0.68%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association		1,085,011		1.02%	
BlackRock International Limited		6,612		0.01%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited		30,679		0.03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited		52,011		0.05%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC		82,517		0.08%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.		92,640		0.09%	
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>2,566,145</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2.42%</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			436,351	0.41%	physical
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	Securities Lent			27,434	0.03%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			53,126	0.05%	physical
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	Securities Lent			975	0.00%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			43	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference			22,375	0.02%	cash
BlackRock International Limited	Contract for Difference			6,385	0.01%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference			78,292	0.07%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract for Difference			599	0.00%	cash
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>625,580</b>	<b>0.59%</b>	

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**Notification on November 21, 2016:**

- Reason for the notification: Disposal 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 Semple 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 was crossed: November 17, 2016
- Threshold crossed: 3% downward (lowest declaration threshold)
- Denominator: 105,876,416

**Notification on November 22, 2016:**

- 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 Semple 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 was crossed: November 18, 2016
- 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 3,219,775 voting rights or 3.04%.

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		0.00%	
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.		11,454		0.01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited		5,389		0.01%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited		214,859		0.20%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC		29,043		0.03%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited		7,582		0.01%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG		108,488		0.10%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited		375		0.00%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.		35,556		0.03%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors		728,882		0.69%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association		1,090,506		1.03%	
BlackRock International Limited		6,612		0.01%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited		30,679		0.03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited		135,944		0.13%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC		81,612		0.08%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.		92,323		0.09%	
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>2,579,304</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2.44%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

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 that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised	% of voting rights	Settlement
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			441,644	0.42%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			43	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	Securities Lent			27,434	0.03%	physical
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract For Difference			23,470	0.02%	cash
BlackRock International Limited	Contract For Difference			7,136	0.01%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			50,791	0.05%	physical
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			89,354	0.08%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract For Difference			599	0.00%	cash
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>640,471</b>	<b>0.60%</b>	

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→ Chain of control:

11) Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held, if applicable

BlackRock, Inc.  
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock Holdco 4, LLC  
BlackRock Holdco 6, LLC  
BlackRock Delaware Holdings Inc.  
BlackRock Fund Advisors  
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association

BlackRock, Inc.  
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.  
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.  
BlackRock Group Limited  
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited

BlackRock, Inc.  
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.  
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.  
BlackRock Group Limited  
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

BlackRock, Inc.  
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock Holdco 4, LLC  
BlackRock Holdco 6, LLC  
BlackRock Delaware Holdings Inc.  
BlackRock Fund Advisors

BlackRock, Inc.  
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.  
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.  
BlackRock Australia Holdco Pty. Ltd.  
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited

BlackRock, Inc.  
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock Capital Holdings, Inc.  
BlackRock Advisors, LLC

BlackRock, Inc.  
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.  
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.  
BlackRock Group Limited  
BlackRock International Limited

BlackRock, Inc.  
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.

BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.  
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.  
BlackRock Holdco 3, LLC  
BlackRock Canada Holdings LP  
BlackRock Canada Holdings ULC  
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited

BlackRock, Inc.  
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.  
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.  
BlackRock Group Limited  
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.

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BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.  
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.  
BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.  
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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BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.  
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.  
BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.  
BlackRock Asia-Pac Holdco, LLC  
BlackRock HK Holdco Limited  
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited

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BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.

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BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.  
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.  
BlackRock Group Limited  
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited  
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG

BlackRock, Inc.  
BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.  
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.  
BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.  
BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.  
BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.  
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited

BlackRock, Inc.  
Trident Merger, LLC  
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC

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