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**To:** Office of International Corporation Finance, SEC

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**Please find following a Stock Exchange Announcement recently released.**

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Regards

Eileen Baker

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19 September, 2002

Office of International Corporation Finance  
Division of Corporation Finance  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
40 Fifth Street, N.W.  
Washington D.C. 20549  
USA

Dear Sir / Madam

**Centrica plc – Section 198 Notice – Fidelity Investments**  
**Rule 12g 3-2 (b) File No 82-4518**

The enclosed document is to be furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on behalf of Centrica plc (the "Company") pursuant to the exemption from the Securities Exchange Act 1934 (the "Act") afforded by Rule 12g 3-2 (b) thereunder.

This information is being furnished under paragraph (1) of Rule 12g 3-2 (b) with the understanding that such information and documents will not be deemed to be "filed" with the SEC or otherwise subject to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Act and that neither this letter nor the furnishing of such information and documents shall constitute an admission for any purpose that the Company is subject to the Act.

Yours faithfully

For and on behalf of  
Centrica plc

19 September 2002

## **Centrica plc**

Centrica plc received on 19 September 2002 a notification dated 18 September 2002 stating that the holding of Fidelity Investments and its subsidiaries in Centrica plc constituted a notifiable interest for the purposes of Section 198 of the Companies Act 1985.

### **SCHEDULE 10**

#### **NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES**

1. Name of company

**Centrica plc**

2. Name of shareholder having a major interest

**Fidelity Investments**

3. Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18.

**See schedule in 4 below**

4. Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them

**N/A**

5. Number of shares / amount of stock acquired

**N/A**

6. Percentage of issued class

**N/A**

7. Number of shares / amount of stock disposed

**N/A**

8. Percentage of issued class

**N/A**

9. Class of security

**Ordinary 5 5/9 pence**

10. Date of transaction

**17 September 2002**

11. Date company informed

**19 September 2002**

12. Total holding following this notification

**133,621,461**

13. Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification  
**3.15%**

14. Any additional information  
**None**

15. Name of contact and telephone number for queries  
**Robin Healy 01753 494 017**

16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification  
**Steve Leven**

Date of notification  
**19 September 2002**