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

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Dear Sir / Madam

**Centrica plc**  
**Barclays holding in Centrica plc**

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

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**Centrica plc**

Centrica plc received on 21 July 2003 a notification dated 17 July 2003 stating that the holding of Barclays plc 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

**Barclays plc**

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

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| <b>Barclays Private Bank and Trust Ltd</b>     | <b>520,707</b>    |
| <b>Barclays Global Fund Advisors</b>           | <b>1,151,231</b>  |
| <b>Barclays Global Investors Australia Ltd</b> | <b>1,189,017</b>  |
| <b>Barclays Global Investors, N.A.</b>         | <b>48,058,721</b> |
| <b>Barclays Global Investors Ltd</b>           | <b>59,669,897</b> |
| <b>Barclays Global Investors Japan Trust</b>   | <b>5,033,524</b>  |
| <b>Barclays Capital Securities Ltd</b>         | <b>1,342,946</b>  |
| <b>Barclays Private Bank Ltd</b>               | <b>1,916,458</b>  |
| <b>Barclays Global Investors Japan</b>         | <b>155,371</b>    |
| <b>Woolwich Life Ltd</b>                       | <b>959,000</b>    |
| <b>Barclays Bank Trust Company Ltd</b>         | <b>58,063</b>     |
| <b>Barclays Nikko Global Investors Ltd</b>     | <b>1,483,965</b>  |
| <b>Barclays Life Assurance Co Ltd</b>          | <b>8,070,285</b>  |

5. Number of shares / amount of stock acquired

**Not known**

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

**16 July 2003**

11. Date company informed

**21 July 2003**

12. Total holding following this notification

**129,609,185**

13. Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

**3.039%**

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

**Robin Healy**

Date of notification

**21 July 2003**