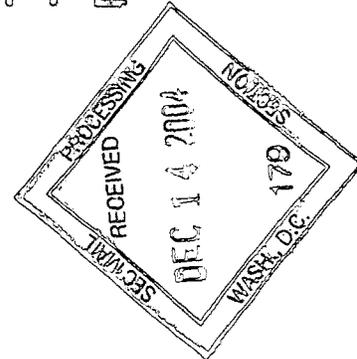




1 December 2004

The United States Securities and Exchange Commission
Exemption File 82-5204
Division of Corporate Finance
Room 3094 (3-6)
450 5th Street
Northwest
Washington DC 20549
USA

SUPPL



New GKN PLC

Dear Sirs,

GKN plc:-

Notification of Major Interests in Shares

For your information I enclose a copy of the above announcement.

Yours faithfully,

David Pavey

AP **David Pavey**
Assistant Company Secretary

Enc

PROCESSED

JAN 07 2005

3
THOMSON
FINANCIAL

llw 1/7

SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

1. Name of company GKN PLC	2. Name of shareholder having a major interest FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC
--	--

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 SHAREHOLDER NAMED IN 2	4. Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them Bank of New York - 268,585 JP Morgan/Chase - 67,293,716 Citibank - 458,383 Clydesdale Bank plc - 2,533,630 DTC - 2,700 Euroclear - 18,727 HSBC Bank plc - 37,710 Mellon Bank - 2,598,875 Merrill Lynch Intl Ltd - 2,026,262 Northern Trust Company - 1,210,001 Royal Trust Corp of Canada - 5,505,199 State Street Nominees Limited - 5,415,818
---	--

5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired NOT KNOWN	6. Percentage of issued class NOT KNOWN	7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed	8. Percentage of issued class
--	---	---	--------------------------------------

9. Class of security ORDINARY SHARES OF 50P EACH	10. Date of transaction NOT KNOWN	11. Date company informed 30 NOVEMBER 2004
--	---	--

12. Total holding following this notification 87,369,606	13. Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification 12.08%
--	---

14. Any additional information INCREASE IN NOTIFIABLE INTEREST PREVIOUSLY DISCLOSED AT 11% LEVEL	15. Name of contact and telephone number for queries DAVID PAVEY - 01527 533295
--	---

16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification DAVID PAVEY ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY

Date of notification 1 DECEMBER 2004
