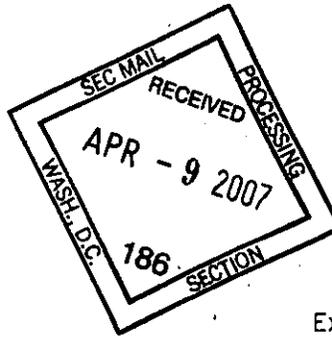


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J Sainsbury Announces: Notification relevant securities in issue.

Please find enclosed copies of the above announcements made to the London Stock Exchange on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2007.

Yours sincerely

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Deputy Secretary

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