



# **Transparency notification**

Brussels (Belgium), 16 January 2017 – 20:00 (CET) – regulated information

## 1. Summary of the notification

Pursuant to Article 14 of the law of 2 May 2007 on the disclosure of large shareholdings, UCB SA/NV announces that it has received a transparency notification dated 12 January 2017, from BlackRock, Inc. (having its registered offices at 55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.).

BlackRock, Inc. has notified that, following a disposal of UCB shares with voting rights by its affiliates, its shareholding in UCB SA/NV has decreased and has crossed downward the 3% threshold.

On 11 January 2017, BlackRock, Inc. (taking into account the holding of its affiliates) owned 5 802 062 UCB shares with voting rights (versus 5 923 369 UCB shares in its previous notification dated 30 December 2016), representing 2.98% of the total number of shares issued by the company (194 505 658) (versus 3.05% in the notification dated 30 December 2016).

### 2. Content of the notification

The transparency notification dated 12 January 2017 includes the following information:

- Reason for the notification: Acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights
- **Notification by**: A parent undertaking or a controlling person.
- 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: 11 January 2017.

• Threshold crossed (in %): 3%.

• **Denominator**: 194 505 658.

Notified details:



# of voting rights % of voting rights

3,11%

6.054.027

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A) Voting rights		Previous notification			After the transaction					
		# of voting rights		# of voting right				% of vot		
Holders of voting rights				Linked to securities		Not linked to the securities		Linked to N securities		ot linked to the securities
BlackRock, Inc.		0			0			0,00%		
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.		19.816		19	19.816			0,01%		
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited		7.217		6.	6.386			0,00%		
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited		1.001.729		89	890.924			0,46%		
BlackRock Advisors, LLC		50.973		59	9.174			0,03%		
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited		61.391		61	61.391			0,03%		
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG		225.537		23	0.706	.706		0,12%		
BlackRock Asset Management Nor Asia Limited	rth	644		6	644			0,00%		
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.		79.725		79	).725			0,04%		
BlackRock Fund Advisors		1.767.774		1.77	79.299			0,91%		
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association		2.024.454		2.03	2.038.642			1,05%		
BlackRock International Limited		12.615		11	11.927			0,01%		
BlackRock Investment Managemen (Australia) Limited	nt	41.852		41.852				0,02%		
BlackRock Investment Managemen (UK) Limited	nt	161.576		15	59.092			0,08%		
BlackRock Investment Managemen	nt,	237.680		235.990				0,12%		
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.		230.386		186.494				0,10%		
Subtotal		5.923.369		5.802.062				2,98%		
	TOTAL			5.802.062		0		2,98%		0,00%
B) Equivalent financial instruments		After the transaction								
Holders of equivalent financial instruments		Type of financial instrument	Expira	ition date	Exercise po		# of voting rig that may be acquired if t instrument exercised	% of voting right	nts	Settlement
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Seci	Securities Lent				162.356		0,08%		physical
BlackRock Fund Advisors	Seci	Securities Lent					1.118	0,00%		physical
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Securities Lent						9.606	0,00%		physical
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	Seci	Securities Lent					7.625	0,00%		physical
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Cont	Contract for Difference					27.605	0,01%		cash
BlackRock International Limited	Cont	Contract for Difference					2.638	0,00%		cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Cont	Contract for Difference					41.017	0,02%		cash
TOTAL						251.965	0,13%			

TOTAL (A & B)



# • Chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held:

Please see the full chain of control in the PDF which is attached to the notification.

#### Additional information:

The disclosure obligation arose due to voting rights for BlackRock, Inc. going below 3%.

# 3. Further information

This press release and the detailed transparency notification is available on UCB SA/NV's website via the following <u>link</u>.

An updated overview of the UCB SA/NV large shareholdings will be included in the corporate governance charter of UCB SA/NV, which is available on its website via the following <u>link</u>.

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