STANDARD FORM TR-1

VOTING RIGHTS ATTACHED TO SHARES– ARTICLE 12(1) OF DIRECTIVE 2004/109/EC FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS – ARTICLE 11(3) OF THE COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 2007/14/EC

1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached: **Bank of Ireland**

2. Reason for the notification (please tick the appropriate box or boxes):

[x] an acquisition or disposal of voting rights

[] an acquisition or disposal of financial instruments which may result in the acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached

- [] an event changing the breakdown of voting rights
- 3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation:

Ameriprise Financial Inc

4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.):

Threadneedle Asset Management Holdings Ltd

Columbia Management Investment Advisers LLC

5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached:

21/03/2014

6. Date on which issuer notified;

21/05/2014

7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached: Above 3%

8. Notified details:

A) Voting rights attached to shares								
Class/type of	Situation p	previous to the	Resulting situation after the triggering transaction					
shares (if	Triggering	transaction						
possible using	Number	Number of	Number of	Number	of voting	% of vot	ing rights	
the ISIN CODE)	of Shares	Voting rights	shares	rights				
			Direct	Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect	
IE0030606259	Below 3%	Below 3%	4,069,176	4,069,176	973,785,379	0.013%	3.008%	
US46267Q2021	Below 3%	Below 3%	0	0	1,221,400	0	0.004%	
SUBTOTAL A	Below 3%	Below 3%	4,069,176	979,075,955		3.025%		
(based on								
aggregate voting								
rights)								

B) Financial Instruments									
Resulting situation at	fter the triggering tra	nsaction							
Type of financial instrument	Expiration Date	Exercise/Conversion Period/ Date	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted	% of voting rights					
		SUBTOTAL B (in relation to all expiration dates)							

Total (A+B)	number	of	voting	% of voting rights
	rights			
	979,075,955		55	3.025%

9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable:

Ameriprise Financial, Inc., which through intermediate holding companies controls the voting rights of Columbia Management Investment Advisers LLC, Columbia Wanger Asset Management LLC, Threadneedle Management Luxembourg S.A. and Threadneedle Asset Management Holdings Ltd, which itself controls the voting rights of Threadneedle Asset Management Ltd, Threadneedle International Ltd and Threadneedle Pensions Ltd.

Threadneedle Asset Management Holdings Ltd – 938,471,599 Shares

Columbia Management Investment Advisers LLC - 36,535,180 Shares

10. In case of proxy voting: [*name of the proxy holder*] will cease to hold [*number*] voting rights as of [*date*].

11. Additional information:

Done at Dublin on 22nd May 2014 Contact: Helen Nolan, Group Secretary Telephone: +353 (0)76 623 4710