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:

Harris Associates L.P.

- 4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.):
- 5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached:

January 28, 2013

- 6. Date on which issuer notified: **January 29, 2013**
- 7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached: 4%
- 8. Notified details:

A) Voting rights attached to shares									
Class/type of	Situation previous to the		Resulting situation after the triggering transaction						
shares (if	Triggering trans								
possible using	Number of	Number of	Number	Number of voting		% of voting			
the ISIN	Shares	Voting rights	of	rights		rights			
CODE)			shares						
			Direct	Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect		
Ordinary –	1,469,974,991	1,469,974,991			1,195,893,491		3.97%		
ISIN									
IE0030606259									
SUBTOTAL	1,469,974,991	1,469,974,991		1,195,893,491		3.97%			
A (based on									
aggregate									
voting rights)									

/Conversion Number of voting % of rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted	of voting rights
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Total (A+B)	number of voting	% of voting rights	
	rights		
1,195,893,491	1,195,893,491	3.97%	

- 9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable:
- 10. In case of proxy voting: **N/A**
- 11. Additional information:

Done at Dublin on 29 January 2013

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