

**TR-1: Notifications of Major Interests in Shares**

<b>1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached:</b>	<b>Bank of Ireland</b>
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**2. Reason for notification (yes/no)**

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

**X**

Other (please specify):\_\_\_\_\_

<b>3. Full name of person(s) subject to notification obligation:</b>	<b>Capital Research and Management Company</b>
<b>4. Full name of shareholder(s)</b> (if different from 3):	<b>Same as 3</b>
<b>5. Date of transaction</b> (and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached if different):	<b>20 May 2010</b>
<b>6. Date on which issuer notified:</b>	<b>21 May 2010</b>
<b>7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached:</b>	<b>3%</b>

**8: Notified Details****A: Voting rights attached to shares**

<b>Class/type of shares</b> If possible use ISIN code	<b>Situation previous to the triggering transaction</b>		<b>Resulting situation after the triggering transaction</b>				
	<b>Number of shares</b>	<b>Number of voting rights</b>	<b>Number of shares</b>	<b>Number of voting rights</b>		<b>Percentage of voting rights</b>	
				<b>Direct</b>	<b>Indirect</b>	<b>Direct</b>	<b>Indirect</b>
<b>IE0030606259</b>	<b>47,994,690</b>	<b>47,994,690</b>			<b>65,994,690</b>		<b>3.1419%</b>

**B: Financial Instruments****Resulting situation after the triggering transaction**

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise/ conversion period/date	No. of voting rights that may be acquired (if the instrument exercised/converted)	Percentage of voting rights

**Total (A+B)**

Number of voting rights	Percentage of voting rights
65,994,690	3.1419%

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

10. Name of proxy holder:	N/A
11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease to hold:	N/A
12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold voting rights:	N/A

13. Additional information:	Bank of Ireland is making this notification on receipt of a notification from Capital Research and Management Company under the Transparency (Directive 2004/109/EC) Regulations 2007. The change in shareholding is due an increase in total voting rights.
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