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

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1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuerBank of Irelandof existing shares to which voting rights are<br/>attached:Bank of Ireland

| 2. Reason for notification (yes/no)  |   |
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| An acquisition or disposal of voting rights  | X |
| 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   |   |
| Other (please specify):  |   |

| 3. Full name of person(s) subject to notification obligation:                                       | UBS Global Asset Management – IFS |
|---|-----------------------------------|
|   | Same as 3                         |
| 4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3):   |                                   |
|   | 22 July 2008                      |
| <b>5. Date of transaction</b> (and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached if different): |                                   |
|   | 24 July 2008                      |
| 6. Date on which issuer notified:   |                                   |
|   | 3%                                |
| <ol><li>Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or<br/>reached:</li></ol>                                  |                                   |

| 8: Notified Details                        |   |                     |                  |                         |                |                                |          |
|--|---|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|----------|
| A: Voting rights attached to shares        |   |                     |                  |                         |                |                                |          |
| Class/type<br>of shares<br>If possible use | Situation p<br>the trigger<br>transactior | ing                 | Resulting s      | ituation aft            | er the trigger | ing transac                    | tion     |
| of shares                                  |   | Number<br>of voting | Number of shares | Number of voting rights |                | Percentage of<br>voting rights |          |
|  |   | rights              |                  | Direct                  | Indirect       | Direct                         | Indirect |
| IE<br>0030606259                           | Non -<br>Notifiable                       | Non -<br>Notifiable | 30,181,099       | -                       | 30,181,099     | -                              | 3%       |

| Resulting situation                | on after the trigger | ing transaction                        |  |                                |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|--|--|--------------------------------|
| Type of<br>financial<br>instrument | Expiration date      | Exercise/<br>conversion<br>period/date | No. of voting rights<br>that may be acquired<br>(if the instrument<br>exercised/converted) | Percentage of<br>voting rights |
|                                    |                      |  |  |                                |

| Total (A+B)             |                             |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Number of voting rights | Percentage of voting rights |
| 30,181,099              | 3%                          |

9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and /or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable: UBS Fund Management (Switzerland) AG 3,505,632 : 0.34%

## UBS Fund Services (Luxembourg) SA 26,675,467 : 2.66%

| Proxy Voting:  |   |
|--|---|
| 10. Name of proxy holder:  | UBS GAM on behalf of a number of asset management clients |
| 11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease to hold:     | -   |
| 12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold voting rights: | -   |

| 13. Additional information: | Bank of Ireland is making this<br>notification on receipt of a notification<br>from UBS Global Asset Management.<br>under the Transparency (Directive<br>2004/109/EC) Regulations 2007. |
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