### 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:

### BlackRock, Inc.

- 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:

# 15<sup>th</sup> May 2015

6. Date on which issuer notified:

# 18<sup>th</sup> May 2015

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

### Holding has gone above 7%

8. Notified details:

A) Voting rights attached to shares									
Class/type of	Situation pr	evious to the	Resulting situation after the triggering transaction						
shares (if	Triggering tr	ansaction							
possible using	Number of	Number of	Number of	Number	of voting	% of voting	g rights		
the ISIN CODE)	Shares	Voting	shares	rights					
		rights	Direct	Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect		
IE0030606259	2,248,059,114	2,248,059,114	N/A	N/A	2,269,574,205	N/A	7.01%		
SUBTOTAL A									
(based on				2,269,574,205 7.01%					
aggregate voting				2,209,374,203 7.01%					
rights)									

B) Financial Instruments									
Resulting situation after the triggering transaction									
Type of financial Expiration Date instrument		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	
2,269,574,205	2,269,574,205	7.01%

- 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: [name of the proxy holder] will cease to hold [number] voting rights as of [date].
- 11. Additional information:

Done at Dublin on 19 May 2015

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