



## Transparency notification BlackRock, Inc.

- Notification referring to situation on 13 March 2019
- Threshold crossed: 5%
- Latest holding: 5.40 %

#### Brussels (Belgium), 19 March 2019 – 20:00 (CET) – regulated information

1. Summary of the notification

Pursuant to Article 14 of the law of 2 May 2007 on the disclosure of large shareholdings, UCB SA/NV announces that it has received a transparency notification from BlackRock, Inc. (having its registered office at 55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.), dated 14 March 2019.

BlackRock, Inc., has notified that, following an acquisition of UCB shares with voting rights by its affiliates, its holding in UCB shares has increased and has crossed the 5% threshold on 13 March 2019.

On 13 March 2019, BlackRock, Inc. (taking into account the holding of its affiliates) owned 9 855 716 UCB shares with voting rights (versus 8 917 622 shares in its previous notification), representing 5.07% of the total number of shares issued by the company (194 505 658) (versus 4.58% in its previous notification), as well as 651 731 equivalent financial instruments (versus 823 002 in its previous notification) representing 0.34% of the total number of shares issued by the company (versus 0.42% in its previous notification).

### 2. Content of the notification

- Reason for the notification: Acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights.
- Notification by: A parent undertaking or a controlling person.
- Persons subject to the notification requirement:



| Name  | Address (for legal entities)  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| BlackRock, Inc.   | 55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.  |  |  |
| BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.                                | Rembrandt Tower, 17th floor, Amstelplein, Amsterdam, Netherlands                        |  |  |
| BlackRock (Singapore) Limited                               | 20 Anson Road #18-01, Singapore, 79912, Singapore                                       |  |  |
| BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited                             | 12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.   |  |  |
| BlackRock Advisors, LLC                                     | 100 Bellevue Parkway, Wilmington, DE, 19809, U.S.A.                                     |  |  |
| BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited                   | 161 Bay Street, Suite 2500, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2S1, Canada                           |  |  |
| BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG                   | Lenbachplatz 1 1st Floor, Munich, 80333-MN3, Germany                                    |  |  |
| BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited               | 15/F, 16/F, 17/F Citibank Tower & 17/F ICBC Tower, 3 Garden Road, Central,<br>Hong Kong |  |  |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                        | 55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.  |  |  |
| BlackRock Fund Advisors                                     | 400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA, 94105, U.S.A.                                     |  |  |
| BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association | 400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA, 94105, U.S.A.                                     |  |  |
| BlackRock International Limited                             | Exchange Place One, 1 Semple Street, Edinburgh, EH3 8BL, U.K.                           |  |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management (Australia)<br>Limited      | Level 26, 101 Collins Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000, Australia                            |  |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited                | 12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.   |  |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management, LLC                        | 1 University Square Drive, Princeton, NJ, 8540, U.S.A.                                  |  |  |
| BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.                                   | 1-8-3 Marunouchi Chiyoda-ku, Trust Tower Main, Tokyo, 100-8217, Japan                   |  |  |

- Date on which the threshold is crossed: 13 March 2019.
- Threshold crossed (in %): 5%
- **Denominator**: 194 505 658.
- Notified details:

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| A) Voting rights   | Previous notification | After the transaction |                              |                      |                              |  |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|--|
|  | # of voting rights    | # of voti             | ng rights                    | % of voting rights   |                              |  |
| Holders of voting rights                                       |                       | Linked to securities  | Not linked to the securities | Linked to securities | Not linked to the securities |  |
| BlackRock, Inc.  | 0                     | 0                     | 0                            | 0.00%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.                                   | 20,742                | 20,742                | 0                            | 0.01%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock (Singapore) Limited                                  | 8,856                 | 8,856                 | 0                            | 0.00%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited                                | 1,313,266             | 1,472,822             | 0                            | 0.76%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock Advisors, LLC  | 184,931               | 222,420               | 0                            | 0.11%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock Asset Management Canada<br>Limited                   | 149,537               | 169,414               | 0                            | 0.09%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock Asset Management<br>Deutschland AG                   | 249,733               | 186,312               | 0                            | 0.10%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock Asset Management North<br>Asia Limited               | 997                   | 1,005                 | 0                            | 0.00%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                           | 177,729               | 244,915               | 0                            | 0.13%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock Fund Advisors  | 2,533,972             | 2,569,495             | 0                            | 1.32%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock Institutional Trust Company,<br>National Association | 3,157,979             | 3,319,892             | 0                            | 1.71%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock International Limited                                | 48,879                | 82,677                | 0                            | 0.04%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management<br>(Australia) Limited         | 99,012                | 123,015               | 0                            | 0.06%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management<br>(UK) Limited                | 402,886               | 460,732               | 0                            | 0.24%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management,<br>LLC                        | 378,092               | 441,306               | 0                            | 0.23%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.                                      | 191,011               | 532,113               | 0                            | 0.27%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| Subtotal   | 8,917,622             | 9,855,716             | 0                            | 5.07%                | 0.00%                        |  |
| TOTAL  |                       | 9,855,716             | 0                            | 5.07%                | 0.00%                        |  |

| B) Equivalent financial instruments                            | After the transaction        |                 |                         |  |                    |            |  |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--|--------------------|------------|--|
| Holders of equivalent financial instruments                    | Type of financial instrument | Expiration date | Exercise period or date | # of voting rights<br>that may be<br>acquired if the<br>instrument is<br>exercised | % of voting rights | Settlement |  |
| BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited                                | Securities Lent              |                 |                         | 41,964   | 0.02%              | physical   |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management<br>(UK) Limited                | Securities Lent              |                 |                         | 10,023   | 0.01%              | physical   |  |
| BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited                                | Contract for Difference      |                 |                         | 4,939  | 0.00%              | cash       |  |
| BlackRock Advisors, LLC  | Contract for Difference      |                 |                         | 88,094   | 0.05%              | cash       |  |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.                           | Contract for Difference      |                 |                         | 5,581  | 0.00%              | cash       |  |
| BlackRock Institutional Trust Company,<br>National Association | Contract for Difference      |                 |                         | 284,637  | 0.15%              | cash       |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management<br>(UK) Limited                | Contract for Difference      |                 |                         | 38,011   | 0.02%              | cash       |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management,<br>LLC                        | Contract for Difference      |                 |                         | 178,456  | 0.09%              | cash       |  |
| BlackRock Investment Management,<br>LLC                        | Depositary Receipt           |                 |                         | 26   | 0.00%              |            |  |
| TOTAL  |                              |                 | 651,731                 | 0.34%  |                    |            |  |



Chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held:

Please see the full chain of control in the 'Chain of Control' tab.

### • Additional information:

The disclosure obligation arose due to voting rights attached to shares for BlackRock, Inc. going above 5%.

#### 3. Further information

This press release and the detailed transparency notification are available on UCB SA/NV's website via the following <u>link</u>.

An updated overview of the UCB SA/NV large shareholdings will be available on UCB SA/NV's website via the following <u>link</u>.

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#### About UCB

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