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## TR-1: NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARES

1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights attached:	FAIRPOINT GROUP PLC			
2 Reason for the notification (please tick	the ap	opropriate box or boxes):		
An acquisition or disposal of voting rights			✓	
An acquisition or disposal of qualifying financial instruments which may result in the acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached				
An acquisition or disposal of instruments w financial instruments	ith sim	ilar economic effect to qualifying		
An event changing the breakdown of voting rights				
Other (please specify):	_			
3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation: "		HARGREAVE HALE LIMITED		
4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.):		DISCRETIONARY CLIENTS		
5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached: <sup>v</sup>		20 JANUARY 2017		
6. Date on which issuer notified:		23 JANUARY 2017		
7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached: vi, vii		10%		

8. Notified details:								
A: Voting rights attached to shares viii, ix								
Class/type of shares	Situation p to the trigg transactio	gering	Resulting sit	tuation afte	er the trigg	ering trans	action	
if possible	Number Number of of	_	Number of shares		Number of voting rights		% of voting rights *	
using the ISIN CODE	Shares	Voting Rights	Direct	Indirect	Direct <sup>x</sup>	Indirect xi	Direc t	Indirec t
GB003236028 0	4,791,175	4,791,175		4,541,17 5		4,541,175		9.7222 %

B: Qualifying Financial Instruments					
Resulting situation after the triggering transaction					
Type of financial instrument	Expiration date xiii	Exercise/ Conversion Period xiv	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/ converted.	% of voting rights	

C: Financial Instruments		ts with sim	nilar econom	nic effect to Qualifying	Financial	
Resulting situation after the triggering transaction						
Type of financial instrument	Exercise price	Expiratio n date <sup>xvii</sup>	Exercise/ Conversio n period xviii	Number of voting rights instrument refers to	% of voting rights xix, xx	ı
					Nominal	Delta

Total (A+B+C)		
Number of voting rights	Percentage of voting rights	
4,541,175	9.7222%	

financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable: xxi
4,475,000 of these shares are held for unit trusts operated by Marlborough Fund Managers Ltd, for whom Hargreave Hale Ltd manages the investments on a discretionary basis. The remaining balance is held on behalf of other discretionary clients.

Proxy Voting:	
10. Name of the proxy holder:	
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:	
14. Contact name:	David Clueit, Hargreave Hale Ltd
15. Contact telephone number:	01253 754739

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