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Dear Mr Ferguson

We have received notification pursuant to section 67 of the Companies Act 1990 of the following interest in the issued share capital of Abbey plc.

<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Notification Date</b>	<b>Shareholder</b>	<b>No. Shares</b>	<b>% of Issued Share Capital</b>
30.01.2008	30.01.2008	Bank of Ireland Asset Management	1,370,460	5.13%

Of this holding 62,365 units are registered in the name of Mellon Nominees Limited, 19,854 units are registered in the name of BNY Custodial Nominees Limited and 1,288,241 are registered in the name of Bank of Ireland Nominees Limited, as registered owner only, on behalf of a range of clients who are each the beneficial owner of a portion of the shareholding.

Yours sincerely  
For and on behalf of  
ABBEY PLC

David J Dawson  
Company Secretary