

Mr. James Ferguson

Via Email: announcements@ise.ie
Operations Manager
The Irish Stock Exchange
28 Anglesea Street
Dublin 2

15 August, 2012

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.

Effective Date	Notification Date	Shareholder	No. Shares	% of Issued Share Capital
14 August, 2012	15 August, 2012	Gallagher Holdings Limited	11,591,244	53.85

Yours sincerely

For and on behalf of
ABBHEY PLC

David J Dawson

Company Secretary