## **Regulatory Announcement**

Company Accsys Technologies PLC

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World leaders in wood technology

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## **ACCSYS TECHNOLOGIES PLC**

("Accsys" or "the Company")

## **Notifiable Interest**

# TR-1: NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARES

1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer		g issuer		
of existing shares to which voting rights are			ACCSYS TECH	NOLOGIES PLC
attached: "				
2 Reason for th	ne notification (please tick	the appropriate box or box	es):	_
An acquisition o	r disposal of voting rights			
		ancial instruments which ma ich voting rights are attache		
An acquisition o financial instrum		vith similar economic effect	to qualifying	
An event chang	ing the breakdown of votin	g rights		
Other (please specify):	The shareholding has been diluted since we crossed the 5% threshold in February 2011. The total voting rights of Accsys Technologies Plc has increased since the filing in February 2011 and we are now making this filing as our shareholding decreased below the 5% threshold due to the increase in the total voting rights.		X	
3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation:		The London & Amsterdam Trust Company Limited		
4. Full name of shareholder(s)		Rovida Holdings Limited		
(if different from 3.):iv		RR Investment Company Ltd.		
5. Date of the transaction and date on		27 July 2012 (refer to comments above)		
which the threshold is crossed or reached: $^{\vee}$				
6. Date on which issuer notified:		26 October 2015		
7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached: vi, vii				Below 5%

8. Notified details:							
A: Voting rights a	A: Voting rights attached to shares viii, ix						
Class/type of	Situation previous		Resulting situation after the triggering transaction				
shares	to the triggering transaction						
if possible using	Number	Number	Number	Number of	voting		
the ISIN CODE	of	of	of shares	rights % of voting rights		rights <sup>x</sup>	
	Shares	Voting					
		Rights	Direct	Direct xi	Indirect xii	Direct	Indirect
ORD EUR0.05 GB00BQQFX454	4,047,191	4,047,191	4,047,191	4,047,191		4.51%	

B: Qualifying Financial Instruments				
Resulting situation af	ter the triggering t	ransaction		
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 with similar economic effect to Qualifying Financial Instruments xv, xvi							
Resulting situation a	fter the trigge	ering transac	tion				
Type of financial instrument	Exercise price	Expiration date xvii	Exercise/ Conversion period xviii	Number of voting rights instrument refers to	% of votil	% of voting rights	
					Nominal	Delta	

Total (A+B+C)	
Number of voting rights	Percentage of voting rights
4,047,191	4.51%

9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable: xxi	

Proxy Voting:	
10. Name of the proxy holder:	N/A
11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease	
to hold:	N/A
12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold	
voting right	N/A

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### **Notes to editors:**

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**Accoya® wood** (<u>www.accoya.com</u>) is produced using Accsys' proprietary patented acetylation technology, that effectively converts sustainably grown softwoods and non-durable hardwoods into what is best described as a "high technology wood". Distinguished by its durability, dimensional stability and, perhaps most importantly of all, its reliability (in terms of consistency of both supply and quality), Accoya® wood is particularly suited to

exterior applications where performance and appearance are valued. Unlike most tropical and European hardwoods, its colour does not degrade when exposed to ultraviolet light. Moreover, the Accoya® wood production process does not compromise the wood's strength or machinability. The combination of UV resistance, dimensional stability, durability and retained strength means that Accoya® wood offers a wealth of new opportunities to architects, designers and specifiers. These benefits result in lower maintenance and total cost of ownership while using a higher sustainable and environmental responsible building material. For a full archive of Accoya® news, visit www.accoya.com/news.asp.

**Tricoya® Wood Elements** (www.tricoya.com) are produced using Accsys' proprietary technology for the acetylation of wood chips, and particles for use in the fabrication of panel products such as medium density fibreboard and particle-board. These products demonstrate enhanced durability and dimensional stability which allow them to be used in a variety of applications that were once limited to solid wood or man-made products. Exploitation of Accsys' proprietary technology relating to Tricoya® Wood Elements is carried out through Tricoya Technologies Limited. Tricoya® Wood Elements are lauded as the first major innovation in the wood composites industry in more than 30 years.

**Wood Acetylation** is a process which increases the amount of 'acetyl' molecules in wood, thereby changing its physical properties. When carried out to a sufficient level throughout the wood, this process protects wood from rot by making it "inedible" to most micro-organisms and fungi, without - unlike conventional treatments - making it toxic. It also greatly reduces the wood's tendency to swell and shrink, making it less prone to cracking and ensuring that, when painted, it requires dramatically reduced maintenance.

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