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Accsys Technologies PLC

("Accsys", the "Group" or the "Company")

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TR-1: Standard form for notification of major holdings

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR HOLDINGS (to be sent to the relevant issuer <u>and</u> to the FCA in Microsoft Word format if possible)ⁱ

| 1a. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached [®] : | ACCSYS TECHNOLOGIES PLC | | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| 1b. Please indicate if the issuer is a non-UK issuer (please mark with an "X" if appropriate) | | | | |
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| 2. Reason for the notification (please mark the appropria | te box or boxes with an "X") | | | |
| An acquisition or disposal of voting rights | | Х | | |
| An acquisition or disposal of financial instruments | | | | |
| An event changing the breakdown of voting rights | | | | |
| Other (please specify) ⁱⁱⁱ : | | | | |
| 3. Details of person subject to the notification obligation | n iv | | | |
| Name | B.V. Beleggingsfonds "Hoog Blarick" | | | |
| City and country of registered office (if applicable) Naarden, the Netherlands | | | | |
| 4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.) ^v | | | | |
| Name | De Engh B.V. | | | |
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| City and country of registered office (if applicable) | Naarden, the Netherlands |
|---|--------------------------|
| 5. Date on which the threshold was crossed or reached*: | March, 3rd 2020 |
| 6. Date on which issuer notified (DD/MM/YYYY): | March, 3rd 2020 |

7. Total positions of person(s) subject to the notification obligation

| | % of voting rights attached to shares (total of 8. A) | % of voting rights through financial instruments (total of 8.B 1 + 8.B 2) | Total of both in % (8.A + 8.B) | Total number of voting rights of issuer ^{⊮i} |
|--|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| Resulting situation on the date on which threshold was crossed or reached | 6.09% | 0.00% | 6.09% | 162,288,155 |
| Position of previous notification (if applicable) | 5.99% | 0.00% | 5.99% | |

8. Notified details of the resulting situation on the date on which the threshold was crossed or reached $^{\tiny{\mbox{\tiny{will}}}}$

A: Voting rights attached to shares

| Direct Art 9 of Directive 4/109/EC) (DTR5.1) | (Art 10 of Directive | Direct (Art 9 of Directive | Indirect |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Art 9 of Directive | (Art 10 of Directive | | |
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| | · | (Art 9 of Directive | (4) (6) (7) |
| | · | | (Art 10 of Directive |
| / / | 2004/109/EC) | 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.1) | 2004/109/EC) |
| | (DTR5.2.1) | | (DTR5.2.1) |
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| | 0.000.000 | | 6.09% |
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| 9.888.059 | | 6.09% | |
| 3 | 8.059 | 9.888.059 | |

| Type of financial instrument | Expiration date ^x | Exercise/ Conversion Period ^{xi} | Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted. | % of voting rights |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|--|--------------------|
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| | • | SUBTOTAL 8. B 1 | | |

| B 2: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect according to Art. 13(1)(b) of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.3.1.1 (b)) | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Type of financial instrument | Expiration date ^x | Exercise/ Conversion Period *i | Physical or cash | Number of voting rights | % of voting rights |
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| | 1 | , | SUBTOTAL 8.B.2 | | |

| 9. Information in relation to the person subject to the notification obligation (please mark the | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|-----|
| applicable box with an "X") | | | | |
| | cation obligation is not controlled | | | Х |
| | ertakings through which the voti fectively held starting with the u as necessary) | | on or legal entity ^{xiv} | |
| Name ^{xv} | % of voting rights if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold | % of voting rights through financial instruments if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold | Total of both if it ed or is higher than notifiable thresh | the |
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| 10. In case of proxy voting, p | please identify: | | | |
| Name of the proxy holder | | | | |
| The number and % of voting | g rights held | | | |
| The date until which the vol | ting rights will be held | | | |
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| 11. Additional information | xvi | | | |
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| Place of completion | Maarsbergen | | | |

| Date of completion | March, 3rd 2020 |
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Notes to editors:

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Tricoya® Consortium In March 2017, Accsys announced the formation of the Tricoya® Consortium to fund, build and operate the Tricoya® plant in Hull, UK. Members of the consortium include BP and the leading manufacturer of sustainable wood-based panels, MEDITE Europe DAC. Tricoya Ventures UK Ltd (TVUK), a subsidiary of Accsys, owns and will operate the Tricoya® plant. TTL exploits all Tricoya® related intellectual property and benefits from any Tricoya® related revenues other than those generated by the Tricoya® plant. The Tricoya® plant is expected to have an initial capacity of 30,000 metric tonnes of Tricoya® chips per annum, enough to produce approximately 40,000m³ of Tricoya® panel products per annum. The Tricoya® plant is expected to reach EBITDA breakeven at approximately 40% design capacity and to take approximately four years to reach full capacity following completion. The location of the Tricoya® plant at Saltend Chemicals Park in Hull allows for expansion when market conditions dictate.

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"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. Moreover, the Accoya® wood production process does not compromise the wood's strength or machinability. The combination of 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.

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