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## Nyrstar: Shareholder Notification

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Nyrstar announced today that it made notification of a significant shareholding in accordance with Belgian Act of 2 May 2007 on the disclosure of significant shareholdings in issuers whose securities are admitted to trading on a regulated market and containing various provisions.

As a result of the acquisition of own shares, Nyrstar's ownership of own shares crossed the threshold of 3% of the outstanding shares on 19 May 2011. As at that day, Nyrstar held in the aggregate 5,179,086 shares, representing 3.05% of the total number of outstanding shares. Pursuant to Belgian law, the voting rights attached to own shares held by Nyrstar are suspended.

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### About Nyrstar

The partner of choice in essential resources for the development of a changing world. Nyrstar is a leading global multi-metals' business, producing significant quantities of essential resources - zinc and lead as well as other metals such as silver, gold and copper. Nyrstar is listed on NYSE Euronext Brussels under the symbol NYR. For further information visit the Nyrstar website, [www.nyrstar.com](http://www.nyrstar.com).

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