

Press release

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Transparency notification by Norges Bank: Disposal of voting securities

In accordance with article 14, § 1 of the law of 2 May 2007 on disclosure of major holdings Norges Bank has notified the FSMA and Umicore on 12 December 2016 that on 8 December 2016 it has crossed the statutory threshold of 3%, holding 2.88% of Umicore's shares and voting rights.

name	date	threshold	# voting rights	denominator	% voting rights
Norges Bank	08/12/2016		6,451,832	224,000,000	2.88%
TOTAL	08/12/2016	< 3.00%	6,451,832	224,000,000	2.88%

This press release is available on <u>Umicore's website</u>. The notification can be found <u>here</u>.

The chain of control has been described as follow:

Norges Bank is the central bank of Norway. As part of its central bank activities, Norges Bank manages Norway's foreign exchange reserves and is responsible for management of the Norwegian Government Pension Fund Global (GPFG). The formal responsibility for management of the GPFG is placed with the Ministry of Finance, but is delegated to Norges Bank. All investments are executed by Norges Bank acting as principal and all holdings are registered in the name of Norges Bank.

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