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Via Email: announcements@ise.ie

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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
07.01.2008	09.01.2008	Bank of Ireland Asset Management	1,668,491	6.08%

Of this holding 62,365 units are registered in the name of Mellon Nominees Limited, 19,854 units are registered in the name of BNY Custodial Nominees Limited and 1,586,272 are registered in the name of Bank of Ireland Nominees Limited, as registered owner only, on behalf of a range of clients who are each the beneficial owner of a portion of the shareholding.

Yours sincerely
For and on behalf of
ABBEY PLC

David J Dawson
Company Secretary