

**Form 8.1/8.3**

**Lodge with a RIS or Newstrack, if appropriate, and the Takeover Panel.** Use separate form for each class of securities in which dealings have been made.

Date of Disclosure 7 March 2003

**DISCLOSURE UNDER RULES 8.1(a), 8.1(b)(i) and 8.3 OF THE CITY CODE ON TAKEOVERS AND MERGER**

Date of Dealing 6 March 2003

Dealing in SAFEWAY

(1) Class of security (eg ordinary shares) ORD GBP0.25

| (2) Amount bought | Amount sold | Price per unit |
|-------------------|-------------|----------------|
|-------------------|-------------|----------------|

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| 9,560 0 2.8300 |  |  |
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| 0 661 2.9240 |  |  |
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| 0 814 2.8305 |  |  |
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| 0 1,432 2.8680 |  |  |
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| (3) Resultant total of the same class owned or controlled (and percentage of class) |          |
| 40,645,657                                                                          | (3.85 %) |

(4) Party making disclosure Barclays PLC

(5) **EITHER**

(a) Name of purchaser/vendor (Note 1)

(b) If dealing for discretionary client(s), name of fund management organisation

Barclays PLC

(6) Reason for disclosure (Note 2)

|                         |                      |    |
|-------------------------|----------------------|----|
| (a) <b>associate of</b> | (i) offeror (Note 3) | NO |
|                         | (ii) offeree         | NO |

Specify which category or categories of associate (1-8 overleaf)

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| (b) <b>Rule 8.3</b> (i.e disclosure because of ownership or control of 1% or more of the class of relevant securities dealt in) | YES |
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Signed, for and on behalf of the party named in (4) above

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(Also print name of signatory)

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