

Edgar Filing: SPIRENT PLC - Form 6-K

SPIRENT PLC
Form 6-K
February 27, 2003

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of February, 2003

SPIRENT plc

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Spirent House, Crawley Business Quarter, Fleming Way, Crawley,
West Sussex RH10 9QL, UK.

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F X Form 40-F.....

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No X

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82- _____

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

1 Name of company

SPIRENT plc

2 Name of shareholder having a major interest

FMR Corp. and Fidelity International Limited

3 Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18

Companies named in box 2 above and their direct and indirect subsidiaries, being non-beneficial holders

Edgar Filing: SPIRENT PLC - Form 6-K

4 Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them

| | |
|--|------------|
| Chase Nominees Ltd (FMRCO) | 8,717,800 |
| State Street Nominees Ltd (FMRCO) | 428,300 |
| State Street Bank & Trust Company (FMRCO) | 16,310,700 |
| State Street Bank & Trust (FMTC) | 3,137,900 |
| Chase Manhattan Bank London (FISL) | 12,563,179 |
| HSBC (FPM) | 619,700 |
| Chase Nominees Ltd (FPM) | 7,032,896 |
| Northern Trust (FPM) | 2,040,200 |
| Chase Manhattan Bank London (FIL) | 1,111,725 |
| Bank of New York Brussels (FIL) | 805,100 |
| Northern Trust (FIL) | 3,044,100 |
| Chase Nominees Ltd (FIL) | 9,979,540 |
| Bank of New York London (FIL) | 5,006,000 |
| Nortrust Nominees Ltd (FIL) | 3,107,200 |
| State Street Bank & Trust (FIL) | 296,400 |
| HSBC Client Holdings Nominee (UK) Ltd (FIL) | 10,914,400 |
| FMRCO - Fidelity Management & Research Company | |
| FMTC - Fidelity Management Trust Company | |
| FISL - Fidelity Investment Services Ltd | |
| FPM - Fidelity Pension Management | |
| FIL - Fidelity International Ltd | |

5 Number of shares/ amount of stock acquired

900,000

6 Percentage of Issued Class

0.1 %

7 Number of shares/amount of stock disposed

N/a

8 Percentage of Issued Class

N/a

9 Class of security

ORDINARY SHARES OF 3 1/3p EACH

10 Date of transaction

Not notified

11 Date company informed

26 February 2003

Edgar Filing: SPIRENT PLC - Form 6-K

12 Total holding following this notification

85,115,140

13 Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

9.03%

14 Any additional information

15 Name of contact and telephone number for queries

Michael Anscombe - 01293 767672

16 Name and signature of authorised company official
responsible for making this notification

Date of notification 26 February 2003

Michael Anscombe -
Assistant Company Secretary

London Stock Exchange, Company Announcements Office, Old Broad Street, London
EC2N 1HP

Facsimile: 0207 588 6057, 0207 334 8964/8965/8966 (PLEASE DO NOT POST)

Enquiries: Continuing Obligations: Telephone: 0207 797 3850/1639/1972/3150

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

____LUKE THOMAS____

(Registrant)

Date__26 February 2003__

By ____/s/ Luke Thomas____

(Signature)*