

**FORM TR-1 BE  
PART I**

1) Status of the notification

Draft

2) Issuer

Name **KBC GROUP**  
Identification number **0403-227-515**

3) Reason for the notification

Acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights

4) Notification by

A parent undertaking or a controlling person

5) Persons subject to the notification requirement

Name (& legal form for legal persons)	Address (for legal persons)
BlackRock, Inc.	40 East 52nd Street, New York, 10022 USA
BlackRock (Luxembourg) S.A.	6D, Route de Trèves, Senningerberg, L-2633, Luxembourg
BlackRock (Netherlands) B V	Rembrandt Tower, 17th floor, Amstelplein, Amsterdam, Netherlands
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	100 Bellevue Parkway, Wilmington, DE 19808, U.S.A.
BlackRock Asset Management Australia Limited	Level 43, 225 George Street, Sydney, Australia
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	161 Bay Street, Suite 2500, Toronto, Ontario M5J 2S1, Canada
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	Max-Joseph-Straße 6, 80333 Munich, Germany
BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Limited	International Financial Services Centre, Dublin 1, Ireland
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	40 East 52nd Street, New York, NY 10055, U.S.A.
BlackRock Fund Advisors	400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA 94105, U.S.A.
BlackRock Fund Managers Limited	12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Assoc	400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA 94105, U.S.A.
BlackRock International Limited	12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	Level 18, 120 Collins Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000, Australia
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	1 University Square Drive, Princeton, NJ 08540, U.S.A.
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	24F, Sapia Tower, 1-7-12, Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-0005, Japan
BlackRock Life Limited	12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.
iShares (DE) I Investmentaktiengesellschaft mit Teilverr	Max-Joseph-Straße 6, 80333 Munich, Germany

6) Persons that dispose of, ... voting rights (Only to be filled in if art. 7 of the Law applies)

Name (& legal form for legal persons)	Address (for legal persons)

Please continue entering the information in part II concerning the persons referred to in points 5 and 6

7) Date on which the threshold is crossed

08/12/2012 (DD/MM/YYYY)

8) Threshold that is crossed (in %)

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If the holding has fallen below the lowest threshold, you have the option of not filling in point 10

9) Denominator

357,980,313

Please enter the denominator before filling in the data

10) Notified details

A) Voting rights	Previous notification	After the transaction				
		# of voting rights	# of voting rights		% of voting rights	
			Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities	Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities
BlackRock, Inc.	0	0		0.00%		
BlackRock (Luxembourg) S.A.	2,119,159	3,112,639		0.87%		
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	178,263	73,848		0.02%		
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1,539,341	448,470		0.13%		
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	27,759	91,669		0.03%		
BlackRock Asset Management Australia	46,786	16,765		0.00%		
BlackRock Asset Management Canada L	42,495	55,362		0.02%		
BlackRock Asset Management Deutsche	211,532	276,490		0.08%		
BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Lin	277,868	317,145		0.09%		
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	417,326	0		0.00%		
BlackRock Fund Advisors	40,769	885,000		0.25%		
BlackRock Fund Managers Limited	805,949	1,395,369		0.39%		
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, N	249,289	2,715,457		0.76%		
BlackRock International Limited	3,695,622	83,972		0.02%		
BlackRock Investment Management (Aus	6,875	11,521		0.00%		
BlackRock Investment Management (UK)	11,960	594,870		0.17%		
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	498,099	139,416		0.04%		
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	347,342	227,915		0.06%		
BlackRock Life Limited	101,688	510,687		0.14%		
iShares (DE) I Investmentaktiengesellsch	0	69,970		0.02%		
subtotal	10,518,102	11,026,587		3.08%		
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>11,026,587</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3.08%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	

Start with "groups" of holders. Calculate subtotals and then finish with the persons who are "alone".  
The totals, subtotals and % will be updated once you have clicked on <CALCULATE>

B) Equivalent financial Instruments	After the transaction					
	Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise period or date	# of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised	% of voting rights	
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

The totals will be updated once you have clicked on <CALCULATE>

TOTAL (Voting rights & Equivalent financial instruments)	# of voting rights	% of voting rights
	11,026,587	3.08%

11) Chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held, if applicable

Please describe, or join a diagram in attachment

BlackRock, Inc. is the ultimate controller but the legal entities detailed in section 10 above are the discretionary Investment Managers who holds the shares and exercise the voting rights.

12) In case of proxy voting for only one GM

Holder  will cease to hold / will hold again  0 voting rights as of

13) Additional information

A) Convertible bonds and rights to subscribe to voting securities not yet issued					
Holder	Type of financial instrument	Expiration date (DDMM/YYYY)	Exercise/Conversion period or date	Number	# of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted

B) Shares without voting rights	
Holder	Number

C) Remarks

Done at 12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, UK. EC2N 2DL

On 19/12/2012 (DDMM/YYYY)

Name & capacity Andrew Manchester, Associate

Signature 