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## news release

For immediate release: 30 January 2006

### Antofagasta plc

#### SCHEDULE 10

#### NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

1. Name of company

Antofagasta plc

2. Name of shareholder having a major interest

Barclays PLC

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

Non-beneficial interest

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

See attached schedule

5. Number of shares / amount of stock acquired

Nil

6. Percentage of issued class

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N/A

7. Number of shares / amount of stock disposed

N/A

8. Percentage of issued class

N/A

9. Class of security

GBP0.05 Ordinary Shares

10. Date of transaction

Not known

11. Date company informed

27 January 2006

12. Total holding following this notification

7,936,212

13. Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

4.03%

14. Any additional information

N/A

15. Name of contact and telephone number for queries

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

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Schedule to Schedule 10

Date of notification: 27 January 2006

**Antofagasta plc**

Registered Holder	Holding	
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited	315,949	
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited	-94,822	
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited	-25,906	
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited	117,351	
Barclays Trust Co DMC69	6,750	
BNP Paribas	23,550	
Chase Nominees Ltd	41,902	
Chase Nominees Ltd	4,295,738	
Chase Nominees Ltd	24,489	
Chase Nominees Ltd	72,497	
CIBC Mellon Global Securities	15,599	
Investors Bank and Trust Co	319,379	
Investors Bank and Trust Co	4,102	
Investors Bank and Trust Co	36,892	
Investors Bank and Trust Co	25,721	

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Investors Bank and Trust Co	785,131	
Investors Bank and Trust Co	6,671	
Investors Bank and Trust Co	1,999	
Investors Bank and Trust Co	32,376	
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	20,318	
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	4,608	
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	174,357	
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	44,572	
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	10,061	
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	54,648	
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	91,477	
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	821,285	
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	3,381	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	809	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	6,054	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	6,090	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	211,576	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	15,445	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	3,656	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	33,771	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	18,797	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	56,972	
Master Trust Bank	5,655	
Mellon Trust – US Custodian	37,872	
Mellon Trust of New England	44,974	

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Mitsubishi Trust International	3,495	
Northern Trust Bank – BGI Sepa	50,356	
Northern Trust Bank – BGI Sepa	13,205	
Northern Trust Bank – BGI Sepa	58,838	
RC Greig Nominees Limited	19,779	
RC Greig Nominees Limited a/c AK1	1,511	
RC Greig Nominees Limited a/c BL1	400	
RC Greig Nominees Limited a/c CM1	305	
State Street Bank & Trust	52,302	
State Street Trust of Canada	17,661	
Sumitomo	1,963	
The Northern Trust Co	19,105	
The Northern Trust Company - u	25,546	
<b>Total</b>		<b>7,936,212</b>