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Form 6-K  
February 06, 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

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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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

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(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- \_\_\_\_\_

London Stock Exchange

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

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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

- 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)                     | 9,114,900  |
| State Street Nominees Ltd (FMRCO)              | 1,461,000  |
| State Street Bank & Trust Company (FMRCO)      | 7,097,832  |
| State Street Bank & Trust (FMTC)               | 3,137,900  |
| Chase Manhattan Bank London (FISL)             | 12,563,179 |
| HSEC (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    |
| 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    6 Percentage of    7 Number of shares

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|    | / amount of<br>stock acquired   | Issued<br>Class | /amount of stock<br>disposed                           |
|----|---|-----------------|--|
|    | 9,357,409   | 0.99%           | N/a  |
| 8  | Percentage of Issued<br>Class   |                 |  |
|    | N/a   |                 |  |
| 9  | Class of security   |                 | 10 Date of transaction                                 |
|    | ORDINARY SHARES OF 3 1/3p EACH  |                 | Not notified   |
| 11 | Date company informed   |                 |  |
|    | 6 February 2003   |                 |  |
| 12 | Total holding following this notification   |                 |  |
|    | 66,417,672  |                 |  |
| 13 | Total percentage holding of issued class following<br>this notification                       |                 |  |
|    | 7.05%   |                 |  |
| 14 | Any additional information  |                 | 15 Name of contact and telephone number<br>for queries |
|    |   |                 | Luke Thomas - 01293 767658                             |
| 16 | Name and signature of authorised company official<br>responsible for making this notification |                 |  |
|    | Luke Thomas, Deputy Company Secretary, Spirent plc  |                 |  |

Date of notification 6 February 2003

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)

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Date 6 February 2003

By \_\_\_\_/s/ Luke Thomas\_\_\_\_

(Signature)\*