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Form 6-K
February 21, 2006

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, 2006

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.

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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 listed company

SPIRENT PLC

2. Name of shareholder with a major interest

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BARCLAYS PLC

3. Please state whether notification indicates that regarding the holding of the shareholder named in 2 above; 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

SHAREHOLDER IN 2 ABOVE

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

Registered Holder	Account Designation	Holdin
BANK OF IRELAND	258227	943,38
BANK OF IRELAND	4239749	1,483,29
Bank of Ireland Nominees Limited	CREST ID. 11X13	1,299,00
BANK OF NEW YORK	210405	1,009,02
BANK OF NEW YORK	214075	5,492,76
BANK OF NEW YORK	221428	832,83
BANK OF NEW YORK	367748	2,907,09
BANK OF NEW YORK	392067	3,326,32
BANK OF NEW YORK	768198	257,32
BARCLAYS CAPITAL NOMINEES LIMITED		-355,65
BARCLAYS CAPITAL NOMINEES LIMITED		450,46
BARCLAYS CAPITAL NOMINEES LIMITED		1,842,86
BARCLAYS CAPITAL NOMINEES LIMITED		-116,03
Barclays Noms Monument R97	C 000000000000000000	1,05
Barclays Trust Co & Others		8,07
BNP PARIBAS		166,33
BNY (OCS) NOMINEES LTD	221476	325,60
BOISS NOMINEES LTD	4224361	567,08
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	16376	527,63
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	16530	187,79
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	16669	134,72
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	18243	123,82
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	19518	350,11
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	19519	2,722,20
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	20947	36,805,11
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	21359	1,483,19
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	25772	849,76
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	27793	56,30
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	27797	138,56
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	27800	1,037,80
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	28270	955,62
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	28270	307,67
CHASE NOMINEES LTD	31961	2,240,62
CIBC MELLON GLOBAL SECURITIES		107,80
CITIBANK	6010640794	241,02
CITIBANK	6010782807	462,28
DEUTSCHE BANK LONDON	8003168	30,33
Gerrard Nominees Limited	603856	1,20
Gerrard Nominees Limited	642367	13,00

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Gerrard Nominees Limited	647291	8,50
Gerrard Nominees Limited	650668	13,00
Gerrard Nominees Limited	653035	13,00
Gerrard Nominees Limited	660632	6,00
Gerrard Nominees Limited	660758	35,00
Gerrard Nominees Limited	660851	30,00
Greig Middleton Nominees Limited (GM1)		11,75
Greig Middleton Nominees Limited (GM1)		220,78
HSBC	813168	869,38
HSBC	845315	27,19
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.		2,082,28
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.		944,62
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.		5,535,12
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.		610,70
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.		221,43
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.		54,68
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.		154,75
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.		22,46
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	16331	268,77
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	16341	2,160,55
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	16341	560,58
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	16344	687,72
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	16345	1,158,60
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	16400	9,953,38
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	16612	342,14
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	16621	277,63
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	16644	559,64
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	16901	167,86
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	18409	791,82
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	19514	141,75
JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)	28166	2,892,18
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK		346,76
JPMorgan Chase Bank		399,33
JPMorgan Chase Bank		555,31
MELLON BANK	ABGFZ872482	640,79
MELLON BANK	TGGF0003002	295,96
Mellon Trust - US CUSTODIAN /		264,05
MELLON TRUST OF NEW ENGLAND		283,69
MIDLAND BANK (HSBC BANK PLC)	772823	2,901,92
NON-IMA	DUMMY	708,21
NON-IMA	DUMMY	1,095,43
NON-IMA	DUMMY	6,980,81
NON-IMA	DUMMY	550,28
NON-IMA	DUMMY	116,79
NON-IMA	DUMMY	586,64
NON-IMA	DUMMY	2,358,36
NORTHERN TRUST	CVS21	1,242,43
NORTHERN TRUST	SCO06	303,97
NORTHERN TRUST	TNF01	532,06
NORTHERN TRUST	UKE01	1,049,77
NORTHERN TRUST	USF12	1,681,15
NORTHERN TRUST BANK - BGI SEPA		409,68
NORTHERN TRUST BANK - BGI SEPA		357,21
NORTHERN TRUST BANK - BGI SEPA		92,78
R C Greig Nominees Limited		961,23
R C Greig Nominees Limited		377,51
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c AK1		742,19
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c AK1		100,79
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c BL1		88,88
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c BL1		32,93
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c CM1		6,65
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c CM1		24,64

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R C Greig Nominees Limited GP1		64,58
R C Greig Nominees Limited GP1		51,48
R C Greig Nominees Limited SA1		31,23
R C Greig Nominees Limited SA1		65,68
R C Greig Nominees Limited SA1	WIVE002	1,03
STATE STREET	2RJ2	103,73
STATE STREET	JD12	482,91
STATE STREET	JFBL	301,09
STATE STREET	N3B6	41,15
STATE STREET	N3YZ	10,87
STATE STREET TRUST OF CANADA -		126,40
The Northern Trust Company - U		177,13
ZEBAN NOMINEES LIMITED		1,00
ZEBAN NOMINEES LIMITED		1,70
	TOTAL	127,589,18

5. Number of shares / amount of stock acquired

NOT KNOWN

6. Percentage of issued class (any treasury shares held by the listed company should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)

NOT KNOWN

7. Number of shares / amount of stock disposed

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8. Percentage of issued class (any treasury shares held by the listed company should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)

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9. Class of security

ORDINARY SHARES OF 3.3333 PENCE EACH

10. Date of transaction

HOLDING AS AT 14 FEBRUARY 2006

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11. Date company informed

17 FEBRUARY 2006

12. Total holding following this notification

127,589,189

13. Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification (any treasury shares held by the listed company should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)

13.21%

14. Any additional information

SHAREHOLDER PREVIOUSLY REPORTED A SHAREHOLDING OF 115,783,982 (12.07%) ON 21 FEBRUARY 2005 AND 122,266,395 (12.67%) ON 10 NOVEMBER 2005.

15. Name of contact and telephone number for queries

LUKE THOMAS - 01293 767658

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

LUKE THOMAS - DEPUTY COMPANY SECRETARY

Date of notification

20 FEBRUARY 2006

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

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undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

____LUKE THOMAS____

(Registrant)

Date 20 February 2006

By ____/s/ Luke Thomas____

(Signature)*