

FORM 8.3 - Amendment to section 2a

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PUBLIC OPENING POSITION DISCLOSURE/DEALING DISCLOSURE BY
 A PERSON WITH INTERESTS IN RELEVANT SECURITIES REPRESENTING 1% OR
 MORE

Rule 8.3 of the Takeover Code (the "Code")

1 KEY INFORMATION

(a)	Full name of discloser:	Barclays PLC.
(b)	Owner or controller of interest and short positions disclosed, if different from 1(a):	
(c)	Name of offeror/offeree in relation to whose relevant securities this form relates:	ASCENTIAL PLC
(d)	If an exempt fund manager connected with an offeror/offeree, state this and specify identity of offeror/offeree:	
(e)	Date position held/dealing undertaken:	25-Jul-24
(f)	In addition to the company in 1(c) above, is the discloser making disclosures in respect of any other party to the offer?	NO

2 POSITIONS OF THE PERSON MAKING THE DISCLOSURE

(a) Interests and short positions in the relevant securities of the offeror or offeree to which the disclosure relates following the dealing(if any)

Class of relevant security:	1.7p ordinary			
	Interests		Short Positions	
	Number	(%)	Number	(%)
-1 Relevant securities owned and/or controlled:	1,733,948	0.84%	2,308,647	1.13%
-2 Cash-settled derivatives: and/or controlled:	2,198,752	1.07%	1,478,516	0.72%
-3 Stock-settled derivatives (including options) and agreements to purchase/sell:	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
TOTAL:	3,932,700	1.91%	3,787,163	1.86%

(b) Rights to subscribe for new securities (including directors and other executive options)

options)

Class of relevant security in relation to which subscription right exists	
Details, including nature of the rights concerned and relevant percentages:	

3 DEALINGS (IF ANY) BY THE EXEMPT PRINCIPAL TRADER

(a) Purchases and sales

Class of relevant security	Purchase/sale	Number of securities	Price per unit
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	337,500	5.6253 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	321,038	5.6425 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	150,255	5.6410 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	114,916	5.6324 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	86,107	5.6554 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	43,209	5.6439 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	42,501	5.6406 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	39,108	5.6426 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	34,674	5.6600 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	30,772	5.6470 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	26,103	5.6601 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	24,643	5.6465 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	21,092	5.6381 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	17,136	5.6367 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	14,447	5.6420 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	12,952	5.6378 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	12,944	5.6380 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	10,778	5.6432 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	8,998	5.6411 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	5,861	5.6333 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	3,335	5.6500 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	2,157	5.6325 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	1,909	5.6250 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	1,609	5.6150 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	1,553	5.6502 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	1,304	5.6475 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	1,267	5.6402 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	983	5.6450 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	977	5.6375 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	965	5.6247 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	828	5.6564 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	734	5.6400 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	142	5.6597 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	279,281	5.6400 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	180,110	5.6317 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	94,898	5.6296 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	78,525	5.6600 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	31,042	5.6463 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	28,445	5.6453 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	17,453	5.6325 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	14,487	5.6602 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	10,696	5.6588 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	9,300	5.6377 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	2,022	5.6351 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	1,712	5.6413 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	1,609	5.6150 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	1,377	5.6300 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	1,179	5.6200 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	1,045	5.6599 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	977	5.6375 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	968	5.6340 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	965	5.6250 GBP

1.7p ordinary	Sale	633	5.6500 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	529	5.6485 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	82	5.6507 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	21	5.6455 GBP

(b) Cash-settled derivative transactions

Class of relevant security	Product description	Nature of dealing	Number of reference securities	Price per unit
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Opening Long	500	5.6480 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	3,429	5.6341 GBP
1.7p ordinary	CFD	Increasing Long	1,609	5.6150 GBP
1.7p ordinary	CFD	Increasing Long	2,398	5.6291 GBP
1.7p ordinary	CFD	Increasing Long	3,558	5.6440 GBP
1.7p ordinary	CFD	Increasing Long	21,865	5.6600 GBP
1.7p ordinary	CFD	Decreasing Long	23,474	5.6600 GBP
1.7p ordinary	CFD	Decreasing Long	16,000	5.6605 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	300	5.6466 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	2,453	5.6223 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	5,300	5.6446 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Opening Long	1,200	5.6246 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Opening Long	28,445	5.6453 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	10,696	5.6588 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	1,867	5.6316 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Opening Short	337,500	5.6253 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	2,800	5.6302 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	234	5.6150 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	1,179	5.6200 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	180,110	5.6317 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	17,167	5.6600 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	944	5.6250 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	114,916	5.6324 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	94,507	5.6430 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	5,950	5.6600 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	968	5.6340 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	24,643	5.6465 GBP

1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	17,136	5.6367 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	12,952	5.6378 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	42,501	5.6406 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	18,347	5.6416 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	43,209	5.6439 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	10,968	5.6476 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	1,553	5.6502 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	10,000	5.6405 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	1,368	5.6223 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	4,190	5.6321 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	26,103	5.6601 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	1,377	5.6300 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Long	94,898	5.6296 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	2,157	5.6325 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	174,928	5.6415 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	8,214	5.6600 GBP

(c) Stock-settled derivative transactions (including options)

(i) Writing, selling, purchasing or varying

Class of relevant security	Product description	Writing, purchasing, selling, varying etc	Number of securities to which option relates	Exercise price per unit	Type	Expiry date	Option money paid/received per unit

(ii) Exercising

Class of relevant security	Product description	Exercising/ exercised against	Number of securities	Exercise price per unit

(d) Other dealings (including subscribing for new securities)

Class of relevant security	Nature of Dealings	Details	Price per unit (if applicable)

4 OTHER INFORMATION

(a) Indemnity and other dealings arrangements

Details of any indemnity or option arrangement, or any agreement or understanding, formal or informal, relating to relevant securities which may be an inducement to deal

or refrain from dealing entered into by the exempt principal trader making the disclosure and any party to the offer or any person acting in concert with a party to the offer:

NONE

(b) Agreements, arrangements or understandings relating to options or derivatives

Details of any agreement, arrangement or understanding, formal or informal, between

the person making the disclosure and any other person relating to:

(i) the voting rights of any relevant securities under any option; or
(ii) the voting rights of future acquisition or disposal of any relevant securities to which any derivative is referenced:

NONE

(c) Attachments

Is a Supplemental Form 8 (Open Positions) attached?	NO
Date of disclosure:	21-Aug-24
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