

FORM 8.3

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:	21 Aug 2024
(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

Interests and short positions in the relevant securities of the offeror or offeree

(a) 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:	4,321,466	2.12%	365,923	0.18%
(2) Cash-settled derivatives:	225,856	0.11%	3,918,787	1.92%
(3) Stock-settled derivatives (including options) and agreements to purchase/sell:	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
TOTAL:	4,547,322	2.23%	4,284,710	2.10%

Rights to subscribe for new securities (including directors and

(b) other executive 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 PERSON MAKING THE DISCLOSURE

(a) Purchase and sales

Class of relevant security	Purchase/sale	Number of securities	Price per unit
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	73,109	5.7248 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	55,376	5.7250 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	45,819	5.7326 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	28,337	5.7251 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	10,243	5.7232 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	6,824	5.7376 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	6,362	5.7424 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	4,660	5.7313 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	4,630	5.7264 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	3,147	5.7231 GBP

1.7p ordinary	Purchase	3,003	5.7194 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	2,088	5.7275 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	909	5.7309 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	905	5.7283 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	730	5.7400 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	596	5.7227 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	543	5.7225 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Purchase	185	5.7200 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	97,591	5.7249 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	45,608	5.7250 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	14,507	5.7243 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	14,183	5.7226 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	8,358	5.7268 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	6,829	5.7212 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	6,614	5.7238 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	5,169	5.7323 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	2,359	5.7129 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	1,601	5.7357 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	747	5.7202 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	730	5.7400 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	710	5.7150 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	655	5.7289 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	182	5.7200 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	182	5.7201 GBP
1.7p ordinary	Sale	138	5.7175 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	Decreasing Short	8,920	5.7311 GBP
1.7p ordinary	CFD	Decreasing Short	10,478	5.7250 GBP
1.7p ordinary	CFD	Decreasing Short	8,852	5.7252 GBP
1.7p ordinary	CFD	Increasing Short	17,236	5.7250 GBP
1.7p ordinary	CFD	Increasing Short	637	5.7453 GBP
1.7p ordinary	CFD	Increasing Short	82	5.7504 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	138	5.7175 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	160	5.7150 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	10,257	5.7206 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	15,522	5.7241 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	14,507	5.7243 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	30,197	5.7250 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	905	5.7283 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	6,362	5.7424 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	2,359	5.7129 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	6,824	5.7376 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Long	368	5.7309 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Opening Short	596	5.7227 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	6,984	5.7205 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	18,297	5.7249 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	8,358	5.7268 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	18,543	5.7250 GBP
1.7p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	61,001	5.7309 GBP

Stock-settled derivative transactions

(c)

(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 person making the disclosure and any party to the offer or any person acting in concert with a party to the offer:
NONE

Agreements, arrangements or understandings relating to options or

(b) 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:	22 Aug 2024
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