



HPD Exploration PLC : Holding(s) in Company

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The Company was informed on 10 March 2003 that AMVESCAP PLC and its subsidiary companies (AMVESCAP) are interested, on behalf of discretionary clients, in 12,743,128 shares in HPD representing 9.47% of the Company's issued share capital. These shares are beneficially held and registered as follows:

Beneficial Owner %	Registered owner	No. of shares
INVESCO Perpetual UK Smaller Companies Growth Fund 4.22%	Vidacos Nominees Limited	5,682,009
INVESCO English & International Trust PLC 5.24%	Chase Nominees Limited	7,061,119

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