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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, 2004

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)

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Yes No

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SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

1. Name of company

SPIRENT PLC

2. Name of shareholder having a major interest

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BARCLAYS PLC

3. Please state whether notification indicates that it is in 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

SHAREHOLDER NAMED 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	Holding
ABBeyUTTL-6010782807-VIDACOS N	ABBeyUTT	266,593
ABPEURUKQ-872482-MELLON NOMINE	ABPEURUK	810,646
ABUEURTTL-8003168-MORGAN NOMIN	ABUEURTT	18,757
ALEXITTTTL-28166-CHASE NOMINEES	ALEXITTT	2,971,464
ALMLUFTTL-18409-CHASE MANHATTA	ALMLUFTT	487,521
ASTEXMTTL-21359-CHASE NOMINEES	ASTEXMTT	1,220,660
ASUKEXTTL-20947-CHASE MANHATTA	ASUKEXTT	36,902,444
AXATRKTTL-845315-MIDLAND BANK	AXATRKTT	23,453
B2350FTTL-19499-CHASE MANHATTA	B2350FTT	106,298
BARCLAYS CAPITAL NOMINEES LIM		734,302
BARCLAYS NOMS MONUMENT R97		13,777
BARCLAYS TRUST CO AS EXEC/ADM		1,128
BARCLAYSHARE NOMINEES LIMITED		41,330
BDFORDTTL-BCP01-NORTHERN TRUST	BDFORDTT	47,353
BDUKEQTTL-N3YZ-STATE STREET	BDUKEQTT	10,446
BEUREQTTL-N3B2-STATE STREET	BEUREQTT	8,621
BLENTFUKQ-16344-CHASE MANHATTA	BLENTFUK	279,176
BLENTPUKQ-16345-CHASE MANHATTA	BLENTPUK	538,020
BLEQFDUKQ-16331-CHASE MANHATTA	BLEQFDUK	246,435
BLEQPTUEA-16341-CHASE MANHATTA	BLEQPTUE	1,610,786

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BLEQPTUKQ-16341-CHASE MANHATTA	BLEQPTUK	650,710
	BLFEDRTT	122,407
BLFEDRTTL-28269-CHASE NOMINEES		
BLFEPDCTL-28270-CHASE NOMINEES	BLFEPDCT	603,441
BLFEPDUKQ-28270-CHASE NOMINEES	BLFEPDUK	270,467
BLUKINTTL-16400-CHASE MANHATTA	BLUKINTT	8,433,668
BRKSPFTTL-813168-MIDLAND BANK	BRKSPFTT	810,991
BTPOOLEUR-16315-CHASE MANHATTA	BTPOOLEU	381,288
BUCAPTUEA-19503-CHASE MANHATTA	BUCAPTUE	219,950
BUCAPTUKQ-19503-CHASE MANHATTA	BUCAPTUK	124,989
BUDISTUKA-19514-CHASE MANHATTA	BUDISTUK	117,060
BUEXINTTL-19520-CHASE MANHATTA	BUEXINTT	189,433
BUFIVE350-19508-CHASE MANHATTA	BUFIVE35	1,116,144
BUGENRTTL-19507-CHASE MANHATTA	BUGENRTT	319,061
BUGENRUEA-19507-CHASE MANHATTA	BUGENRUE	564,304
BUINCM350-19505-CHASE MANHATTA	BUINCM35	209,020
BUINCMTTL-19505-CHASE MANHATTA	BUINCMTT	138,568
BUINVFTTL-19518-CHASE MANHATTA	BUINVFTT	493,199
BUKEQUTTL-N3B6-STATE STREET	BUKEQUTT	287,623
BUSPCSUKQ-19519-CHASE MANHATTA	BUSPCSUK	2,099,471
BUTRSFTTL-19512-CHASE MANHATTA	BUTRSFTT	40,008
CAAPENTTL-CVS21-NORTHERN TRUST	CAAPENTT	1,475,346
CEULIPTTL-367748-BANK OF NEW Y	CEULIPTT	3,257,871
CHATRKTTTL-16376-CHASE MANHATTA	CHATRKTT	475,611
CHRSTHUKX-16621-CHASE MANHATTA	CHRSTHUK	182,152
CHUCOMTTL-31961-CHASE NOMINEES	CHUCOMTT	764,562
CLTWORTTL-392177-BANK OF NEW Y	CLTWORTT	306,935
COUEUKTTL-392067-BANK OF NEW Y	COUEUKTT	4,070,892
DENTSTUKA-16644-CHASE MANHATTA	DENTSTUK	344,035
DUNSWRUKA-16612-CHASE MANHATTA	DUNSWRUK	132,715
DYFEDXUKA-772823-MIDLAND BANK	DYFEDXUK	1,412,840
ESBSUPTTL-218311-BANK OF NEW Y	ESBSUPTT	43,074

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FFP350TTL-221476-BNY (OCS) NOM	FFP350TT	218,995
FFPONGTTL-221428-BANK OF NEW Y	FFPONGTT	358,521
FKRUSSTTL-501562755-BANKERS TR	FKRUSSTT	2,136,320
FRNUKQTTL-501575013-BANKERS TR	FRNUKQTT	333,024
GMITRNTTL-25772-CHASE MANHATTA	GMITRNTT	439,014
GODUNYEUR-16281-CHASE MANHATTA	GODUNYEU	341,021
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.	527191	3,056,084
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.	536747	756,438
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.	552942	402,745
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.	573039	92,016
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.	585934	9,820
INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.	595966	230,692
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK	540186	181,647
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK	BTGF01IE	341,021
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK	BTGF05IE	381,288
KIOGEQUKA-387173-BNY (OCS) NOM	KIOGEOUK	178,749
MARKIPTTL-814537-MIDLAND BANK	MARKIPTT	80,198
MARKUKTTL-814574-MIDLAND BANK	MARKUKTT	75,842
NORTHERN TRUST BANK - BGI SEPA	581610	274,022
NORTHERN TRUST BANK - BGI SEPA	584069	116,930
NORTHERN TRUST BANK - BGI SEPA	604162	41,732
NUFFOUTTL-TNF01-NORTRUST NOMIN	NUFFOUTT	319,919
NUFGENUKA-16901-CHASE MANHATTA	NUFGENUK	123,521
PGUKALTTL-613363-CITIBANK NA	PGUKALTT	518,295
POWYSFTTL-16649-CHASE MANHATTA	POWYSFTT	41,844
PPPMEDUKQ-8002238-DEUTSCHE BAN	PPPMEDUK	127,458
PTMA11TTL-27717-CHASE NOMINEES	PTMA11TT	12,195
R C GREIG NOMINEES LIMITED A/C	BL1	161,919
R C GREIG NOMINEES LIMITED A/C	CM1	40,458
R C GREIG NOMINEES LIMITED GP1	GP1	15,218
R C GREIG NOMINEES LIMITED SA1	SA1	18,461

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ROYLIVTTL-LIV02-NORTRUST NOMIN	ROYLIVTT	743,448
SCTPEQTLC-SCO06-NORTRUST NOMIN	SCTPEOTL	314,532
STHWRKUKQ-16669-CHASE MANHATTA	STHWRKUK	79,390
TORFAEUKQ-003002-MELLON NOMINE	TORFAEUK	84,024
TPGEQUTTL-6948890986-CITIBANK	TPGEOUTT	175,531
TRIBUNTTL-18243-CHASE MANHATTA	TRIBUNTT	127,489
UBS LIMITED	583996	446,293
UNIAEQTTL-USF12-NORTHERN TRUST	UNIAEOTT	1,837,560
UNLVERUKQ-USF06-NORTHERN TRUST	UNLVERUK	207,560
WELLCOTTL-JD12-STATE STREET	WELLCOTT	447,165
WINUKPTTL-6010640794-VIDACOS N	WINUKPTT	252,237
WOOUSFTTL-214075-BANK OF NEW Y	WOOUSFTT	3,356,057
ZEBAN NOMINEES LIMITED		1,700
ZEBAN NOMINEES LIMITED		4,780
	TOTAL	95,500,218

5. Number of shares / amount of stock acquired

NOT NOTIFIED

6. Percentage of issued class

NOT NOTIFIED

7. Number of shares / amount of stock disposed

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8. Percentage of issued class

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9. Class of security

ORDINARY SHARES OF 3.3333 PENCE EACH

10. Date of transaction

NOT NOTIFIED

11. Date company informed

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12. Total holding following this notification

95,500,218

13. Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

10.07%

14. Any additional information

NOTIFICATION RECEIVED PURSUANT TO S198-202 COMPANIES ACT 1985 THAT THE SHAREHOLDER NAMED IN 2 ABOVE HAS INCREASED THEIR SHAREHOLDING IN SPIRENT PLC TO 10.07%. SHAREHOLDER PREVIOUSLY REPORTED A SHAREHOLDING OF 57,366,187 SHARES (6.05%) ON 13 FEBRUARY 2004.

15. Name of contact and telephone number for queries

LUKE THOMAS - 01293 767658

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

LUKE THOMAS - DEPUTY COMPANY SECRETARY

Date of notification

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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)

Date 16 February, 2004

By ____/s/ Luke Thomas____

(Signature)*