

RNS Number : 8131L
 Gabelli Merger Plus+ Trust PLC
 21 July 2017

TR-1: Standard form for notification of major holdings

1a. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attachedⁱⁱ:	Gabelli Merger Plus ⁺ Trust Plc
1b. Please indicate if the issuer is a non-UK issuer (please mark with an "X" if appropriate)	
Non-UK issuer	
2. Reason for the notification (please mark the appropriate box or boxes with an "X")	
An acquisition or disposal of voting rights	X
An acquisition or disposal of financial instruments	
An event changing the breakdown of voting rights	
Other (please specify) ⁱⁱⁱ :	
3. Details of person subject to the notification obligation^{iv}	
Name	Associated Capital Group, Inc.
City and country of registered office (if applicable)	Delaware, USA
4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.) ^v	
Name	GAMA Select Plus Master Fund, Ltd.
City and country of registered office (if applicable)	Cayman Islands
5. Date on which the threshold was crossed or reached^{vi}:	19 July 2017

6. Date on which issuer notified (DD/MM/YYYY):		21 July 2017		
7. Total positions of person(s) subject to the notification obligation				
	% of voting rights attached to shares (total of 8. A)	% of voting rights through financial instruments (total of 8.B 1 + 8.B 2)	Total of both in % (8.A + 8.B)	Total number of voting rights of issuer ^{vii}
Resulting situation on the date on which threshold was crossed or reached	61.77%			61,840,990
Position of previous notification (if applicable)				

8. Notified details of the resulting situation on the date on which the threshold was crossed or reached^{viii}				
A: Voting rights attached to shares				
Class/type of shares ISIN code (if possible)	Number of voting rights ^{ix}		% of voting rights	
	Direct (Art 9 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.1)	Indirect (Art 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.2.1)	Direct (Art 9 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.1)	Indirect (Art 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.2.1)
Ordinary Shares GB00BD8P0741	5,255,734	928,365	52.50%	9.27%

SUBTOTAL 8. A	6,184,099		61.77%	

B 1: Financial Instruments according to Art. 13(1)(a) of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.3.1.1 (a))

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date ^x	Exercise/ Conversion Period ^{xi}	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted.	% of voting rights
		SUBTOTAL 8. B 1		

B 2: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect according to Art. 13(1)(b) of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.3.1.1 (b))

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date ^x	Exercise/ Conversion Period ^{xi}	Physical or cash settlement ^{xii}	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
			SUBTOTAL 8.B.2		

9. Information in relation to the person subject to the notification obligation (please mark the applicable box with an "X")			
Person subject to the notification obligation is not controlled by any natural person or legal entity and does not control any other undertaking(s) holding directly or indirectly an interest in the (underlying) issuer ^{xiii}			
Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entity ^{xiv} (please add additional rows as necessary)			X
Name ^{xv}	% of voting rights if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	% of voting rights through financial instruments if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	Total of both if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold
Mario J. Gabelli	61.77		61.77
GGCP, Inc.	61.77		61.77
Associated Capital Group, Inc.	61.77		61.77
GAMA Select Plus Master Fund, Ltd.	9.27		9.27

10. Additional information^{xvi}
The controlling stockholder of GAMA Select Plus Master Fund, Ltd. ("GAMA") is Associated Capital Group, Inc. ("AC") AC controls 52.50% of the issuer directly and 9.27% through its control of GAMA. AC is controlled by GGCP, Inc. which in turn is controlled by Mr. Mario J. Gabelli

Place of completion	Rye, NY
Date of completion	21 July 2017

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