

**RWE Aktiengesellschaft  
Essen**

**Release according to Sec. 26, Para. 1 WpHG [German Securities Trading Act] with the aim  
of a Europe-wide distribution**

On September 3, 2008, Barclays Global Investors UK Holdings Limited, London, England, has informed us according to §§ 21, 22 WpHG (German Securities Trading Act), that they fell below the 3 % threshold of § 21 para. 1 WpHG on March 14, 2008 and at that time held 0.574 % of the voting rights (i.e. 3,003,640 shares with voting rights) in RWE Aktiengesellschaft, Essen, Deutschland.

These 0,574 % of the voting rights in RWE Aktiengesellschaft were attributed to Barclays Global Investors UK Holdings Limited pursuant to § 22 para. 1 sent. 1 no. 6 WpHG in connection with § 22 para. 1 sent. 2 WpHG.

This notification is based on the fact that Barclays Global Investors UK Holdings Limited, London, England, fulfilled the requirements of § 32 para. 2 through 4 InvG, § 22 para. 3a WpHG, § 29a para. 3 WpHG.

Essen, 3 September 2008

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The Executive Board