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Form 6-K
December 30, 2002

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 December, 2002

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)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F X Form 40-F.....

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No X

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82- _____

London Stock Exchange

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters

1 Name of company

SPIRENT plc

2 Name of shareholder having a major interest

FMR Corp. and Fidelity International Limited

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- 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

Companies named in box 2 above and their direct and indirect subsidiaries, being non-beneficial holders.

- 4 Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them

Chase Nominees Ltd (FMRCO) 7,011,700
State Street Nominees Ltd (FMRCO) 1,326,900
State Street Bank & Trust (FMTC) 2,184,900
Chase Manhattan Bank London (FISL) 12,462,979
HSBC (FPM) 619,700
Chase Nominees Ltd (FPM) 7,032,896
Northern Trust (FPM) 2,040,200
Chase Manhattan Bank London (FIL) 1,342,648
Bank of New York Brussels (FIL) 805,100
Northern Trust (FIL) 3,044,100
Chase Nominees Ltd (FIL) 9,979,540
Bank of New York London (FIL) 5,006,000
Nortrust Nominees Ltd (FIL) 3,107,200
State Street Bank & Trust (FIL) 296,400
TOTAL 56,260,263
FMRCO - Fidelity Management & Research Company
FMTC - Fidelity Management Trust Company
FISL - Fidelity Investment Services Ltd
FPM - Fidelity Pension Management
FIL - Fidelity International Ltd

- 5 Number of shares/amount of stock acquired

10,647,000

- 6 Percentage of Issued Class

1.13 %

- 7 Number of shares/amount of stock disposed

N/a

- 8 Percentage of Issued Class

N/a

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- 9 Class of security
ORDINARY SHARES OF 3 1/3p EACH
- 10 Date of transaction
Not notified
- 11 Date company informed
30 December 2002
- 12 Total holding following this notification
56,260,263
- 13 Total percentage holding of issued class following
this notification
5.99%
- 14 Any additional information
- 15 Name of contact and telephone number for queries
Michael Anscombe - 01293 767672
- 16 Name and signature of authorised company official
responsible for making this notification
Paul Eardley, Company Secretary, Spirent plc
- Date of notification 30 December 2002

London Stock Exchange, Company Announcements Office, Old Broad Street, London
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Enquiries: Continuing Obligations: Telephone: 0207 797 3850/1639/1972/3150

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_____

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(Registrant)

Date__30 December 2002__

By ____/s/ Luke Thomas__

(Signature)*