

**Company** [Alkane Energy PLC](#)

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**Headline** Holding in Company

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ALKANE ENERGY PLC (the "Company")  
 31 JULY 2006  
 NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARES

The Company has today received notification of the following major interest in shares.

1. Name of Company:  
 Alkane Energy plc

2. Name of shareholder having a major interest:  
 Gartmore Investment Limited and Gartmore Fund Managers Limited

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  
 Persons 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:

<b>Beneficial Owner</b>	<b>Registered Owner</b>	<b>Number of Shares</b>
Gartmore Fund Managers Ltd a/c Gartmore UK & Irish Smaller Companies	HSBC Global Custody Nominee UK Ltd	6,438,238
The Gartmore Limited Issue UK Small Cap Fund Ltd	Goldman Sachs Nominees Ltd	1,000,000
Strathclyde Pension Fund	Nortrust Nominees Limited	2,744,779
The Alphagen Volantis Fund Limited	Vidacos Nominees Ltd A/C 1945	2,000,000
Gartmore Smaller Companies Trust Plc	BNY GIL CLT A/C NOMS LTD A/C LST	2,332,102
Gartmore Growth Opportunities Plc	BNY GIL CLT A/C NOMS LTD A/C NWSC	569,878

5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired:  
 n/a

6. Percentage of issued class:  
 n/a

7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed:  
 1,966,822

8. Percentage of issued class:  
2.14%

9. Class of security:  
Ordinary shares of 0.5p each

10. Date of transaction:  
26 July 2006

11. Date company informed:  
31 July 2006

12. Total holding following this notification:  
15,084,997

13. Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification:  
16.45%

14. Any additional information:  
N/a

15. Name of contact and telephone number for queries:  
Steve Goalby, +44 (0) 1623 827922

16. Name of company official responsible for making this notification:  
Steve Goalby, Finance Director

Date of notification:  
31 July 2006

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