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Form 6-K
January 22, 2003

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 January, 2003

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

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Prudential 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 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

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|--------------------------------|------------|
| M&G (LOMBARD ST) NOMS FPE | 85,656 |
| MAGIM HSBC GIS NOM(UK) SALI | 240,957 |
| PRUCLT HSBC GIS NOM(UK) PAC AC | 42,469,044 |
| PRUCLT HSBC GIS NOM(UK) PHL AC | 1,265,804 |
| PRUCLT HSBC GIS NOM(UK) PPL AC | 1,858,111 |
| PRUCLT HSBC GIS NOM(UK) SAL AC | 25,333 |
| ROY NOMINEES 578079 | 261,602 |
| ROY NOMS LTD 578052 | 148,721 |
| ROY NOMS LTD 578060 | 802,671 |
| ROY NOMS LTD 578141 | 292,994 |
| ROY NOMS LTD 578192 | 642,708 |

- 5 Number of shares / amount of stock acquired

2,066,429

- 6 Percentage of Issued Class

0.22%

- 7 Number of shares / amount of stock disposed

- 8 Percentage of Issued Class

- 9 Class of security

ORDINARY SHARES OF 3 1/3p EACH

- 10 Date of transaction

NOT KNOWN

- 11 Date company informed

22 JANUARY 2003

- 12 Total holding following this notification

48,093,601

- 13 Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

5.10%

- 14 Any additional information

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NOTIFICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH S.198 COMPANIES ACT 1985 (AS AMENDED)

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 22 JANUARY 2003

London Stock Exchange, Company Announcements Office, Old Broad Street, London EC2N 1HP

Facsimile: 0207 588 6057, 0207 334 8964/8965/8966 (PLEASE DO NOT POST)

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____

(Registrant)

Date__22 January 2003__

By ____/s/ Luke Thomas____

(Signature)*