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# REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of June, 2005		
SPIRENT plc		
(Translation of registrant's name into English)		
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(Address of principal executive office)		
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#### **SPIRENT PLC**

#### **Restructuring of Service Assurance division**

**London, UK - 29 June 2005:** Spirent plc (LSE: SPT; NYSE: SPM), a leading communications technology company, today announces a further restructuring within the Service Assurance division. The restructuring will realign resources and further reduce operating costs while the business continues to be transitioned towards IP service assurance. It will also allow support for existing leased line monitoring customers to be provided on a more efficient basis. The strategy for this division is to deliver service assurance solutions for IP business services and residential triple play offerings, including voice, video and data, as well as DSL and field test solutions.

As part of the restructuring, headcount in the division is being reduced by 180, representing 30 per cent of the workforce. The restructuring is expected to result in annualised cost savings of approximately £8 million, of which £3 million will benefit the second half of this financial year. The restructuring will give rise to a one time charge of approximately £2 million, of which an estimated £1.3 million will be in cash, in the first half of 2005. This is in addition to the approximately £3 million charge announced in our trading update of 21 April 2005. As previously announced, the Service Assurance division is expected to report an operating loss, before the one time charges, in the region of £10 million in the first half of 2005 under International Financial Reporting Standards.

The costs associated with the initiative to rationalise the supply chain activities across Spirent Communications have now been quantified. It is expected that the actions will result in a one time charge in the second half of the year of approximately £3 million, of which £1 million will be in cash.

Anders Gustafsson, Chief Executive, said:

"We have taken further actions in the Service Assurance division to realign the cost base while we continue to transition the business towards IP service assurance. We believe that the advanced voice, video and data services that are being rolled out by service providers worldwide will require sophisticated monitoring to ensure the high quality, reliable services their customers have come to expect. Our solutions address the challenges of delivering these advanced services."

#### Note

The above disclosures are unaudited and are reported on the basis of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

Business segments reported under IFRS are the same as those reported under UK GAAP however the operating profit or loss is affected by the stricter definitions under IFRS regarding allocation of central costs. Those shared costs, which cannot be directly attributed to individual segments, will now be reported separately as corporate and other costs. Where appropriate comparative numbers have been restated to reflect this change.

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#### **About Spirent**

Spirent is a leading communications technology company focused on delivering innovative systems and services to meet the needs of customers worldwide. We are a global provider of performance analysis and service assurance solutions that enable the development and deployment of next-generation networking technologies such as broadband services, Internet telephony, 3G wireless and web applications and security testing. Our Network Products business is a developer and manufacturer of innovative solutions for fastening, identification, protection and connectivity in electrical and communications networks marketed under the global brand HellermannTyton. The Systems group comprises PG Drives Technology which develops power control systems for specialist electrical vehicles in the mobility and industrial markets. Further information about Spirent plc can be found at www.spirent.com

Spirent Ordinary shares are traded on the London Stock Exchange (ticker: SPT) and on the New York Stock Exchange (ticker: SPM; CUSIP number: 84856M209) in the form of American Depositary Shares (ADS), represented by American Depositary Receipts, with one ADS representing four Ordinary shares.

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undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements contained in this press release, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1 signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorize	
THOMAS	LUKE
(Registrant)	
Date: 29 June, 2005 Thomas	By/S/_Luke

(Signature)