SKILLSOFT PUBLIC LIMITED CO

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MORAN CHARLES E | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SKILLSOFT PUBLIC LIMITED CO | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|---|---------|----------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | | [SKIL] | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | _X_ Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (spec | | | |
| SKILLSOFT, 107 NORTHEASTERN BLVD | |) | 09/29/2008 | below) below) Chairman of the Board and CEO | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| NASHUA, NH 03062 | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

| (City) | (State) (Z | Table | I - Non-De | erivative S | Securi | ties Acqu | ired, Disposed of | , or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Secur or (A) or D (Instr. 3. | oispose , 4 and (A) or | ed of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| American Depositary Shares (1) | 09/29/2008 | | S | | ` ′ | \$ 10.35 | 4,366 | I | See Footnote (2) |
| American Depositary Shares (1) | 09/29/2008 | | S | 1,326 | D | \$ 10.35 | 4,366 | I | See Footnote (3) |
| American Depositary Shares (1) | 09/29/2008 | | S | 1,326 | D | \$ 10.35 | 4,366 | I | See Footnote |
| American | 09/29/2008 | | S | 1,327 | D | \$ | 4,366 | I | See |

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| Depositary Shares (1) | | | | | 10.35 | | | Footnote (5) |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---|-------|---|-------------|-------|---|------------------|
| American Depositary Shares (1) | 10/01/2008 | S | 4,366 | D | \$ 10.46 | 0 | I | See Footnote |
| American Depositary Shares (1) | 10/01/2008 | S | 4,366 | D | \$ 10.46 | 0 | I | See Footnote |
| American Depositary Shares (1) | 10/01/2008 | S | 4,366 | D | \$ 10.46 | 0 | I | See Footnote |
| American Depositary Shares (1) | 10/01/2008 | S | 4,366 | D | \$ 10.46 | 0 | I | See Footnote |
| American Depositary Shares (1) | | | | | | 6,353 | I | See Footnote |
| American Depositary Shares (1) | | | | | | 11 | I | See Footnote (7) |
| American Depositary Shares (1) | | | | | | 2,367 | I | See Footnote |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transact Code (Instr. 8) | 5. ionNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | ate | 7. Tit Amou Under Secur (Instr | ınt of rlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | | | | Code V | 7 (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Tripo and Triance, Transcop | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| MORAN CHARLES E SKILLSOFT 107 NORTHEASTERN BLVD NASHUA, NH 03062 | X | | Chairman of the Board and CEO | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/Greg Porto (for Charles Moran)

10/01/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts, each of which represents one Ordinary Share of SkillSoft Public Limited Company, nominal value 0.11 (Euro) per Ordinary Share.
- Held by the Moran Children's Trust DTD 3-4-98 FBO Katie Moran, of which the Reporting Person's spouse is trustee. The Reporting (2) Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities to the extent to which such person does not have an actual pecuniary interest in these securities.
- Held by the Moran Children's Trust DTD 3-4-98 FBO Kelly Moran, of which the Reporting Person's spouse is trustee. The Reporting (3) Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities to the extent to which such person does not have an actual pecuniary interest in these securities.
- Held by the Moran Children's Trust DTD 3-4-98 FBO Kristin Moran, of which the Reporting Person's spouse is trustee. The Reporting (4) Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities to the extent to which such person does not have an actual pecuniary interest in these securities.
- Held by the Moran Children's Trust DTD 3-4-98 FBO Michael Moran, of which the Reporting Person's spouse is trustee. The Reporting (5) Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities to the extent to which such person does not have an actual pecuniary interest in these securities.
- (6) Held by the Susan M. Moran Revocable Trust, of which the Reporting Person's spouse is trustee. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities to the extent to which such person does not have an actual pecuniary interest in these securities.
- (7) Held by Susan M. Moran, the Reporting Person's spouse. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities to the extent to which such person does not have an actual pecuniary interest in these securities.
- (8) Held by the family trust, of which the Reporting Person is trustee. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities to the extent to which such person does not have an actual pecuniary interest in these securities.

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