Prior notification of a concentration (Case COMP/M.6361 — ZF/Hansen)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2011/C 265/03)

- 1. On 26 August 2011, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (¹) by which the undertaking ZF Friedrichshafen AG ('ZF, Germany) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of Hansen Transmissions International NV ('Hansen', Belgium) by way of purchase of shares resulting from a cash offer announced on 25 July 2011 and posted to Hansen Shareholders and Warrant holders on 18 August 2011.
- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
- for undertaking ZF: worldwide automotive supplier for driveline and chassis technology, active also in supply for aviation and marine industry components,
- for undertaking Hansen: global wind turbine gearbox designer, manufacturer and supplier, active in particular in gear-driven multi-megawatt wind turbines.
- 3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope the EC Merger Regulation. However, the final decision on this point is reserved.
- 4. The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their possible observations on the proposed operation to the Commission.

Observations must reach the Commission not later than 10 days following the date of this publication. Observations can be sent to the Commission by fax (+32 22964301), by e-mail to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number COMP/M.6361 — ZF/Hansen, to the following address:

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'EC Merger Regulation').