

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case COMP/M.7139 — GDF SUEZ/Omnes Capital/Predica Prévoyance/FEIH)****Candidate case for simplified procedure****(Text with EEA relevance)**

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1. On 20 February 2014, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which the undertakings GDF SUEZ SA ('GDF SUEZ' of France), Predica Prévoyance Dialogue du Crédit Agricole ('Predica Prévoyance' of France) controlled by the Groupe Crédit Agricole and Omnes Capital (of France) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking Futures Energies Investissements Holdings ('FEIH' of France) by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for GDF SUEZ: active throughout the entire energy value chain in the fields of gas, electricity and energy services,
 - for Groupe Crédit Agricole: offers a range of banking and insurance services. It is also active in the real estate sector,
 - for Omnes Capital: it is a French asset management company active in several branches of private equity, amongst them in the renewable energy sector,
 - for FEIH: active in the generation of electricity by wind farms via its subsidiary Futures Energies Investissements SAS. FEIH is currently indirectly wholly-owned by GDF SUEZ.
3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the Merger Regulation. However, the final decision on this point is reserved. Pursuant to the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽²⁾, it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in the Notice.
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 email to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number COMP/M.7139 — GDF SUEZ/Omnes Capital/Predica Prévoyance/FEIH, to the following address:

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

⁽²⁾ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.