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Prior notification of a concentration**(Case COMP/M.7165 — GVI/LBEIP/OHL/Phunciona)****Candidate case for simplified procedure****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2014/C 60/06)

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 LBEIP (Holdco) BV ('LBEIP' of The Netherlands), belonging to the Lloyds Banking Group, Obrascón Huarte Lain, SA ('OHL' of Spain), belonging to Villar Mir Group, and Global Vía Infraestructuras, SA ('GVI' of Spain), ultimately controlled by FCC Construcción, SA and Corporación Financiera Caja de Madrid, SA (presently Bankia), acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Phunciona Gestión Hospitalaria, SA ('Phunciona' of Spain), previously controlled by GVI and OHL, by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- LBEIP manages a pension fund which invests in infrastructure projects,
- GVI develops and manages infrastructure projects in the OECD countries with a focus in Spain, the European Union and North America,
- OHL is the division of Villar Mir Group dealing with government concessions, infrastructure projects and services,
- Phunciona manages and operates the public concession for the provision of non-health services to 'Hospital del Sureste', a public hospital in Arganda, Madrid.

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.

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

⁽²⁾ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.

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.7165 — GVI/LBEIP/OHL/Phunciona, to the following address:

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