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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case M.7932 — Dow/DuPont)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2016/C 239/04)

1. On 22 June 2016, 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 The Dow Chemical Company ('Dow', United States) ultimate parent company of the Dow group and E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company ('DuPont', United States) ultimate parent company of the DuPont group enter into a full merger within the meaning of Article 3(1)(a) of the Merger Regulation by way of an Agreement and Plan of Merger.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- Dow: diversified chemicals company active in plastics and chemicals, agricultural sciences and crop protection, as well as hydrocarbon and energy products and services,
- DuPont: manufacturer of a variety of chemical products, polymers, also active in agricultural sciences and crop protection, seeds, food ingredients, and other materials.

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.

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 M.7932 — Dow/DuPont, to the following address:

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