

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.8550 — USSL/Goldman Sachs/Redexis Gas)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)
(2017/C 205/11)

1. On 20 June 2017, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004⁽¹⁾ by which Universities Superannuation Scheme Limited ('USSL', UK) and GS Global Infrastructure Partners II, LP and GS International Infrastructure Partners II, LP ('Goldman Sachs', USA) acquire, within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation, joint control of Redexis Gas S.A. and Redexis Gas Finance B.V. ('Redexis Gas', Spain) by way of a purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- USSL is the corporate trustee responsible for managing a UK private sector pension scheme for academic and comparable staff in UK universities and other higher education and research institutions;
- Goldman Sachs is a global investment banking, securities and investment management firm that provides a range of banking, securities and investment services worldwide;
- Redexis Gas is a regulated natural gas and LPG transmission and distribution company operating in Spain.

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 the 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 this 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 M.8550 — USSL/Goldman Sachs/Redexis Gas, 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.