Prior notification of a concentration
(Case COMP/M.2745 — Shell/Enterprise Oil)
(2002/C 89/04)
(Text with EEA relevance)

1. On 4 April 2002 the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89 (1), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1310/97 (2), by which the undertaking Shell Resources plc, belonging to the Royal Dutch/Shell group (Shell, UK/NL), acquires, within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Regulation, control of the whole of the undertaking Enterprise Oil plc (UK) by way of public bid announced on 2 April 2002.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— Shell: Worldwide exploration, production and sale of oil and natural gas, production and sale of chemicals, power generation and production of energy from renewable resources,

— Enterprise Oil: Crude oil and natural gas exploration and production, mainly in the North Sea, Italy, the US Gulf of Mexico, Mexico and Russia.

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified concentration could fall within the scope of Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89. 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.

Observations must reach the Commission not later than 10 days following the date of this publication. Observations can be sent by fax (No (32-2) 296 43 01 or 296 72 44) or by post, under reference COMP/M.2745 — Shell/Enterprise Oil, to:


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