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Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.12285 – SKION / BMZ)
Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 2 February 2026, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 and following a referral pursuant to Article 4(5) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾.

This notification concerns the following undertakings:

- SKion GmbH ('SKion', Germany),
- substantial part of the existing business of BMZ Holding GmbH and its affiliates ('BMZ Target Business'), ultimately controlled by BMZ Group (both of Germany).

SKion will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the BMZ Target Business.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares and assets.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are the following:

- SKion is a holding company, not controlled by any of its shareholders, and currently holds controlling shareholdings in German companies that are active in the specialty chemicals, water technology and oil and lubricant recycling sectors globally. SKion also holds non-controlling minority stakes in companies operating in various other industrial sectors, such as electrical engineering, optics, renewable energy, closed-looped material cycles, IT / digitization and medical technology,
- the BMZ Target Business is active in the manufacture and distribution of battery modules and systems for a wide range of applications, mainly in Europe.

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 treatment for certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 on the control of concentrations between undertakings ⁽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 concentration to the Commission.

Observations must reach the Commission not later than 10 days following the date of this publication. The following reference should always be specified:

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

⁽²⁾ OJ C 160, 5.5.2023, p. 1.

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