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(Announcements)

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.9528 — Macquarie Infrastructure and Real Assets/Currenta)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2019/C 308/04)

1. On 4 September 2019, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (1).

This notification concerns the following undertakings:

- InfraChem Holdings S.a r.l. ('InfraChem', Luxembourg), controlled by Macquarie Infrastructure and Real Assets (Europe) Limited ('MIRA') belonging to Macquarie Group Limited ('Macquarie Group', Australia),
- Currenta GmbH & Co OHG ('Currenta', Germany), owned by Currenta Geschäftsführung-GmbH ('Currenta GF', Germany).

MIRA, through InfraChem, acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of Currenta and Currenta GF.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
- MIRA focuses on the management of infrastructure and other real assets, including real estate, energy and agriculture,
- Macquarie Group is a global provider of banking, financial, advisory, investment and fund management services listed on the Australian stock exchange,
- Currenta and Currenta GF manage and operate integrated chemical parks with sites in Germany.
- 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 the 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. The following reference should always be specified:

M.9528 — Macquarie Infrastructure and Real Assets/Currenta

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

⁽²⁾ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.

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