

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case No IV/M.1433 — Carrier Corporation/Toshiba)

(1999/C 62/05)

(Text with EEA relevance)

1. On 25 February 1999, 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 Carrier Corporation, controlled by United Technologies Corporation, and Toshiba Corporation acquire, within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Regulation, joint control, by way of transfer of assets, of a 'global JV' including, *inter alia*, Toshiba Carrier Corporation (TCC) and Toshiba Carrier United Kingdom Limited (TCUK).

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- Carrier Corporation: mainly provision of heat, ventilation and air-conditioning equipment,
- Toshiba: mainly provision of high technology products,
- TCC and TCUK: mainly active in the production and distribution of heat, ventilating and air-conditioning systems.

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 IV/M.1433 — Carrier Corporation/Toshiba, to:

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Directorate-General for Competition (DG IV),
Directorate B — Merger Task Force,
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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 395, 30.12.1989, p. 1; corrigendum: OJ L 257, 21.9.1990, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 180, 9.7.1997, p. 1; corrigendum: OJ L 40, 13.2.1998, p. 17.