

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case COMP/M.5630 — MD Investors/Metaldyne)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)
(2009/C 208/11)

1. On 27 August 2009, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which MD Investors Corporation (USA), indirectly solely controlled by The Carlyle Group (USA), acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of part(s) of Metaldyne Corporation (USA) by way of purchase of assets.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for The Carlyle Group: private equity investment,
- for MD Investors Corporation: private equity investment,
- for Metaldyne Corporation: manufacture and sale of metal components for light-duty motor vehicles to automotive OEM and Tier 1 automotive suppliers.

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. However, the final decision on this point is reserved. Pursuant to the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under 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. Observations can be sent to the Commission by fax (+32 22964301 or 22967244) or by post, under reference number COMP/M.5630 — MD Investors/Metaldyne, to the following address:

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 56, 5.3.2005, p. 32.