

**Prior notification of a concentration****(Case COMP/M.6519 — Cremer/L Possehl/Possehl Erzkontor JV)****Candidate case for simplified procedure****(Text with EEA relevance)**

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1. On 17 February 2012, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> by which the undertakings Peter Cremer Holding GmbH & Co. KG ('Cremer', Germany) and L. Possehl & Co. mbH ('L. Possehl', Germany) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Possehl Erzkontor GmbH ('Possehl Erzkontor', Germany), currently solely controlled by L. Possehl, by way of sale and purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for Cremer: trade in agricultural products, basic commodities, steel and other raw materials; production and sale of agricultural products; production, trade and sale of oleochemical products and shipping of bulk and container cargo,
- for L. Possehl: special purpose construction; precious metals processing; elastomer processing; electronics; mailroom services; cleaning systems; textile finishing systems and SME investments,
- for Possehl Erzkontor: international trade in minerals, ores, metals, plastic raw materials and chemicals.

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the EC 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 EC Merger Regulation <sup>(2)</sup> 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), by email to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number COMP/M.6519 — Cremer/L Possehl/Possehl Erzkontor JV, to the following address:

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'EC Merger Regulation').

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ C 56, 5.3.2005, p. 32 ('Notice on a simplified procedure').