

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION
POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case COMP/M.6557 — AGC Glass Europe/Interpane International Glas)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2012/C 121/11)

1. On 17 April 2012, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which the undertaking AGC Glass Europe SA, ('AGC', Belgium), controlled by Asahi Glass Co., Ltd ('Asahi', Japan), acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation joint control of the whole of the undertakings Interpane International Glas GmbH (Germany) and Interpane Glass Holding AG (Switzerland) (together, 'Interpane') by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for AGC: production and processing of flat glass for the building, automotive, solar and specialist industries,
- for Asahi: glass, electronics, display, chemical, ceramic and other operations,
- for Interpane: manufacture and processing of architectural glass.

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope the EC Merger Regulation. 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 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 e-mail to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number COMP/M.6557 — AGC Glass Europe/Interpane International Glas, to the following address:

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