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## PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case COMP/M.6951 — Bain Capital/FTE)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)

(2013/C 166/04)

- 1. On 5 June 2013, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (¹) by which the Bain Capital Europe Fund III, L.P, part of Bain Capital Investors, LLC. ('Bain Capital', USA), acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control over FTE Verwaltungs GmbH ('FTE', Germany) by way of a purchase of shares
- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
- for Bain Capital: private equity investment firm, active worldwide across most industries, including information technology, healthcare, retail and consumer products, communications, chemicals, financial and industrial/manufacturing,
- for FTE: manufacturing company, active worldwide in particular in the development, production and sale of hydraulic clutch actuation and hydraulic brake systems and components.
- 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 (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), by email to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number COMP/M.6951 — Bain Capital/FTE, 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').