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Prior notification of a concentration**(Case M.7390 — OFI InfraVia/GDF SUEZ/PensionDanmark/NGT)****Candidate case for simplified procedure****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2014/C 338/11)

1. On 18 September 2014, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004⁽¹⁾ by which GDF SUEZ S.A. ('GDF SUEZ', France), PensionDanmark Holding A/S. ('PensionDanmark', Denmark) and InfraVia European Fund II ('InfraVia', France), owned by OFI InfraVia S.A.S. ('OFI InfraVia', France) and ultimately controlled by the Macif Group ('Macif', France), acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Noordgastransport B.V. ('NGT', the Netherlands), by way of purchase of shares. NGT is currently jointly controlled by GDF SUEZ and PensionDanmark.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for OFI InfraVia: active in the infrastructure fund management across sectors including transportation, environment, energy and social infrastructure,
- for GDF SUEZ: energy group with global presence throughout the entire energy value chain in electricity and natural gas,
- for PensionDanmark: a Danish not-for-profit, labour-market-related, life-insurance limited company,
- for NGT: owner and operator of a subsea transportation system for natural gas in the Netherlands.

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the 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 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), by e-mail to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number M.7390 — OFI InfraVia/GDF SUEZ/PensionDanmark/NGT to the following address:

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

⁽²⁾ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.