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POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case COMP/M.6801 — Rosneft/TNK-BP)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2013/C 37/10)

1. On 1 February 2013, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which OJSC Oil Company Rosneft ('Rosneft', Russian Federation) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of TNK-BP Limited ('TNK-BP', British Virgin Islands) by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for Rosneft: exploration and production of crude oil and natural gas as well as the production and sale of refined products,
- for TNK-BP: exploration and production of crude oil and natural gas as well as the production and sale of refined products.

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.6801 — Rosneft/TNK-BP, to the following address:

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