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(Announcements)

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.10472 – Deutsche Post DHL Group/JF Hillebrand Group)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 22 December 2021, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ([1]).

This notification concerns the following undertakings:

— Deutsche Post AG, trading as Deutsche Post DHL Group ('DPDHL', Germany),

— JF Hillebrand Group AG and its direct and indirect subsidiaries ('Hillebrand', Germany).

Deutsche Post AG acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of Hillebrand.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Deutsche Post AG: Deutsche Post AG is the German parent entity of DPDHL. Deutsche Post AG is active in logistics, including national and international parcel delivery, international express, freight forwarding and transportation, e-commerce and supply chain management services. It is also active in postal service in Germany. Deutsche Post AG is listed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (Germany).

— for Hillebrand: Hillebrand is active in freight forwarding, including air, ocean and land freight forwarding services including ancillary services and contract logistics services for non-hazardous liquids. Hillebrand also produces flexitanks used for bulk liquids transportation in containers.

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.

([1]) OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').
([2]) OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.

Observations must reach the Commission not later than 10 days following the date of this publication. The following reference should always be specified:

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