Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.11145 – SCANIA/SENNDER/JV)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 26 July 2023, 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:

— Scania CV AB ('Scania', Sweden), belonging to the Volkswagen group ('Volkswagen', Germany),

— sennder Technologies GmbH ('sennder', Germany),

— A newly created company ('Target JV', Germany).

Scania and sennder will acquire within the meaning of Articles 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of the whole of Target JV.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are the following:

— Scania is active worldwide as a developer and manufacturer of trucks and buses for transport applications, including battery electric commercial vehicles, vehicle financing, insurance, and rental services. Volkswagen is an automotive manufacturer, active worldwide in the manufacturing and distribution of passenger and commercial vehicles, motorcycles, engines, and turbomachinery, as well as in the provision of related services, including financing, leasing, and fleet management,

— sennder is a digital road freight forwarder providing a wide range of state-of-the art full truck load services to shippers across Europe,

3. Target JV will create an 'electric-Vehicle-as-a-Service' offer including the provision of heavy-duty BEVs based on a pay-per-use-model along with associated digital, physical, and commercial services allowing small-and medium-sized carriers to electrify their fleet and deploy BEVs in their businesses. Its offering will geographically be focussed on Germany within the initial starting phase but may also be rolled out in other neighbouring European countries in the mid-term.

4. 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 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.

5. 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. The following reference should always be specified:

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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.

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