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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.10287 — Proximus/Besix/SL/i.Leco)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2021/C 332/05)

1. On 11 August 2021, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 and following a referral pursuant to Article 4(5) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ([1]).

This notification concerns the following undertakings:

— Proximus NV ('Proximus', Belgium),

— N.V. Besix S.A. ('Besix', Belgium), belonging to the Besix Group (Belgium),

— Stefan Lodeweyckx ('SL', Belgium),

— i.Leco NV ('JV' or 'i.Leco', Belgium).

Proximus, Besix and SL acquire within the meaning of Articles 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of i. Leco. The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares and a subsequent capital increase.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Proximus: fixed and mobile electronic communication services and networks for residential and business customers in Belgium,

— for Besix: construction services, including building works, marine works, infrastructure, environmental works, sports and leisure facilities as well as industrial building works,

— for SL: a private individual, current Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of i.LECO, and

— for i.Leco: development and provision of software and building energy management solutions for the smart building solutions industry.

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.

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

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. The following reference should always be specified:

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Observations can be sent to the Commission by email, by fax, or by post. Please use the contact details below:

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