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Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.12379 – Bain Capital / Tingstad Group)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 24 March 2026, 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:

— Bain Capital Investors, LLC ('Bain Capital' United States),

— Aktiebolaget Tingstad Papper ('Tingstad Group' Sweden).

Bain Capital will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of Tingstad Group.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

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

— Bain Capital is a private equity investment firm that invests in companies across various industries, including information technology, healthcare, retail and consumer products, communications, financial services and industrial/manufacturing,

— Tingstad Group is a Swedish family-owned distributor of non-food consumables, focused on the distribution of hygiene and cleaning products, foodservice disposables and bags and packaging. Tingstad Group also has a production arm focused on the manufacturing of paper carrier bags and e-commerce paper sacks, mainly in Sweden.

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.

4. Pursuant to the Commission Notice on a simplified treatment for certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 on the control of concentrations between undertakings ([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 concentration 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 or by post. Please use the contact details below:

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([1]) OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').
([2]) OJ C 160, 5.5.2023, p. 1.