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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.8946 — Lindsay Goldberg/Coveris Rigid)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2018/C 234/06)

1. On 25 June 2018, 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:

— Goldberg, Lindsay & Co., LLC ('Lindsay Goldberg', USA), and

— the rigid plastic packaging business of Coveris Group ('Coveris Rigid', Germany/Luxembourg), consisting of Coveris International Holdings SARL, Coveris Rigid Deutschland GmbH and Coveris Rigid (Ravensburg) Deutschland GmbH (and their respective subsidiaries).

Lindsay Goldberg acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of Coveris Rigid.

The concentration is accomplished by way of a purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Lindsay Goldberg: private equity investment firm with 16 portfolio companies, none of which is active in the production and supply of rigid plastic packaging products in the EEA,

— for Coveris Rigid: production and sale of rigid plastic packaging solutions such as pots and containers, trays, closures, lids, and sheets, based on different materials for use in various downstream industry sectors.

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.

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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