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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.10034 — Pizarreño/Maderas Arauco/E2E JV)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2020/C 447/07)

1. On 15 December 2020, 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:

— Empresas Pizarreño S.A. ('Pizarreño', Chile), controlled by Etex N.V. (Belgium),

— Maderas Arauco S.A. ('Maderas Arauco', Chile), controlled by Inversiones Angelini y Compañia Limitada (Chile),

— E2E S.A. ('E2E', Chile), jointly controlled by Empresas Pizarreño and Maderas Arauco.

Pizarreño and Maderas Arauco extend the product and geographic scope of their pilot joint venture, E2E, by means of a transfer of rights. As a result, E2E becomes an autonomous economic entity within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Pizarreño: manufacture, distribution and marketing of finished construction products, using cement and plaster or colpa,

— for Maderas Arauco: manufacture and sale of wood and forest products, namely fiberboard panels, plywood and sawn timber, as well as operation of sawmills in Chile, Argentina, Brazil, the United States, Canada and Mexico,

— for E2E: development, manufacture, assembly, installation of 2D panelized or 3D modular units.

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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