Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.9092 — EQT Fund Management/Saur)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2018/C 347/09)

1. On 21 September 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:

— EQT Fund Management S.a.r.l. ('EQT', Luxembourg),

— Saur S.A.S. ('Saur', France), indirectly owned by Holding d'Infrastructures des Metiers de l'Environnement S.A.S. ('HIME', France).

EQT acquires, within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation, indirect sole control over the whole of Saur via the acquisition of HIME.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— EQT is a financial investor and it invests in a variety of industries;

— Saur is active in the water and wastewater management in France. Saur also designs and constructs water infrastructure, including drinking water production and wastewater treatment plants for municipalities as well as water and wastewater treatment systems for industries.

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:

M.9092 — EQT Fund Management/Saur

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

Email: COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu

Fax +32 22964301

Postal address:

European Commission
Directorate-General for Competition
Merger Registry
1049 Bruxelles/Brussel
BELGIQUE/BELGIË

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