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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.11036 – EP POWER EUROPE / CAMDEN)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2023/C 82/03)

1. On 23 February 2023, 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:

— EP Power Europe, a.s. ('EPPE', Czechia), belonging to the EPH Group (Czechia), controlled by Mr. Daniel Křetínský,

— Camden B.V. ('Camden', the Netherlands).

EPPE will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of Camden.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

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

— EPPE belongs to the EPH Group, which is a vertically integrated energy utility with several activities including lignite mining, electricity and heat production, distribution and supply as well as gas transmission, distribution, storage and supply,

— Camden is active in the Netherlands in the generation and wholesale supply of electricity, the provision of certain balancing and ancillary services, financial electricity trading and gas trading on a hub. Camden has a 100 % stake in the MaasStroom gas-fired combined cycle gas turbine (CCGT) power plant and a 50 % stake in the Enecogen gas-fired CCGT power plant, both located in Rotterdam.

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 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 or by post. Please use the contact details below:

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