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Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.11812 – METHANEX / OCI METHANOL BUSINESS)

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 1 April 2025, 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:

— Methanex Corporation ('Methanex', Canada),

— OCI USA Inc. (United States), Firewater Holding LLC (United States), and BioMethanol Chemie Holding II B.V. (the Netherlands) (together the 'OCI Methanol Business'), all controlled by OCI N.V. (the Netherlands).

Methanex will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of OCI Methanol Business.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

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

— Methanex is a global producer and supplier of methanol. With production facilities located in Canada, Chile, Egypt, New Zealand, Trinidad & Tobago, and the U.S., Methanex supplies customers globally, including in North America, Asia-Pacific, Europe and South America,

— OCI Methanol Business is a producer and supplier of methanol and ammonia. From its production facilities in the U.S., it supplies customers globally, primarily in the U.S., Europe, the UK and Asia.

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. 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').