PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.8236 — Vossloh Rail Services/Rhomberg Sersa Rail Holding/Rhomberg Sersa Vossloh (JV))

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2018/C 322/07)

1. On 30 August 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:

— Vossloh, AG ('Vossloh', Germany),

— Rhomberg Sersa Rail Holding, GmbH ('Rhomberg Sersa', Austria),

— Rhomberg Sersa Vossloh, GmbH ('RSV', Germany).

Vossloh – through its wholly-owned subsidiary Vossloh Rail Services GmbH (Germany) — and Rhomberg Sersa acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of RSV. The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Vossloh: manufacture of rail infrastructure and rail technology; production of rail fastening systems, switch systems and signal systems, including the provision of related services,

— for Rhomberg Sersa: full-service provider in the field of railway technology, railway construction and equipment; track construction, renewal and maintenance, railway power supply, communications technology and related services,

— for RSV: inspection and maintenance services for switches for industrial railways and local transport.

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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