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Subject: **Case M.10471 — SUEZ / SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC / JV**
Commission decision pursuant to Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004[1] and Article 57 of the Agreement on the European Economic Area[2]

Dear Sir or Madam,

1. On 6 December 2021, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which the undertakings Suez Groupe SAS ("Suez") (France), and Schneider Electric Industries SAS ("Schneider Electric") (France), acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Joint Venture ("JV") (France) by way of purchase of shares.[3]

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

   – for Suez: the provision of water management, recycling and wastewater recovery for public and industrial customers, in the collection, sorting, recycling, disposal and treatment of non-hazardous and hazardous waste and urban development services,

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1 OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation'). With effect from 1 December 2009, the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union ('TFEU') has introduced certain changes, such as the replacement of 'Community' by 'Union' and 'common market' by 'internal market'. The terminology of the TFEU will be used throughout this decision.

2 OJ L 1, 3.1.1994, p. 3 (the 'EEA Agreement').

3 Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 505, 15.12.2021, p. 3.

– for Schneider Electric: the provision of energy management and automation solutions for homes, buildings, data centres, infrastructures and industries,

– for the JV: the design, development and commercialisation of water management software for the water and wastewater treatment facilities of municipal operators and industrial clients worldwide.

3. After examination of the notification, the European Commission has concluded that the notified operation falls within the scope of the Merger Regulation and of paragraph 5(a) of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004.[4]

4. For the reasons set out in the Notice on a simplified procedure, the European Commission has decided not to oppose the notified operation and to declare it compatible with the internal market and with the EEA Agreement. This decision is adopted in application of Article 6(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation and Article 57 of the EEA Agreement.

For the Commission

(Signed)
Olivier GUERSENT
Director-General

4 OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.