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Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.11426 – PLATINUM EQUITY / KOHLER ENERGY)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 7 March 2024, 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:

— Platinum Equity Group (United States),

— Kohler Energy (United States), controlled by Kohler Co. (United States)

Platinum Equity Group will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of Kohler Energy.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

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

— Platinum Equity Group specializes in the merger, acquisition and operation of companies that provide services and solutions to customers in a broad range of businesses, including information technology, telecommunications, logistics, metal services, manufacturing, and distribution,

— Kohler Energy is a manufacturing company that offers industrial energy systems, powertrain technologies and home energy solutions.

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 treatment for certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 on the control of concentrations between undertakings ([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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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').
([2]) OJ C 160, 5.5.2023, p. 1.

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