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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

On 24 September 2007, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which the undertakings Areva NP and Mitsubishi Heavy Industries (“**MHI**”) plan to create a full-function joint venture operating in the development, production and sale of nuclear power generating equipment.

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

Areva NP is a joint venture between Areva and Siemens, active in the design and manufacturing of nuclear reactors. Areva NP also provides services relating to reactor operation.

MHI is a public listed company headquartered in Japan and active in shipbuilding and ocean development; power systems (including nuclear power generating equipment); aerospace systems; assorted types of industrial and other machinery; and steel structures.