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COMP/M.6189-IMERYS / RIO TINTO TALC BUSINESS

SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

1. The proposed transaction concerns the acquisition by Imerys S.A. (“Imerys”) from Rio Tinto Plc (“Rio Tinto”) of sole control over Rio Tinto’s talc business, by way of purchase by Imerys of 100% of the stock capital of the five Rio Tinto subsidiaries (collectively referred to as “Talc de Luzenac”) engaged in the extraction, processing and marketing of talc worldwide.
2. Imerys is a multinational group active in the extraction and processing of industrial minerals. The Imerys group has 240 industrial facilities in 47 countries and operates 116 mining sites worldwide, out of which 29 different minerals or mineral groups are extracted.
3. The Talc de Luzenac business is only active in the extraction, processing and marketing of talc, a mineral which is not supplied by Imerys.