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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

On 14 September 2009, the Commission received a notification pursuant to Article 4 of the EC Merger Regulation relating to a proposed concentration whereby McJunkin Red Man Corporation (“MRC”), controlled by The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (“Goldman Sachs”), will acquire sole control over Transmark Fcx Group BV (“Transmark”).

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- Goldman Sachs: global investment banking, securities and investment management and the provision of a wide range of banking, securities and investment services worldwide;
- MRC: distribution of pipes, valves, fittings, and related products and services to industrial customers primarily in North America;
- Transmark: distribution of valves and other related products and services to industrial customers in Europe and certain other regions.

The parties respectfully submit that the Transaction qualifies for treatment under the Commission’s simplified procedure.