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COMP/M.4041 – Basell/ Société du Craqueur de l'Aubette

SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

The transaction consists in the acquisition by Basell (ultimately owned by BI S.à.r.l, a member of the Access Industries group) of sole control over Société du Craqueur de l'Aubette S.N.C. (France) ("**SCA**"). SCA is currently jointly controlled by Basell and by Shell Pétrochimie Méditerranée ("**SPM**"). SPM is ultimately owned by Royal Dutch Shell plc, a public company incorporated in England and Wales.

As part of the transaction, Basell will acquire a butadiene production facility owned by SPM.

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

Basell Holdings B.V.: Basell is active in the manufacture and sale of polyolefins (polyethylene, polypropylene), polyolefin compounds and other specialty polyolefin products, as well as the development and licensing of technology and the manufacturing and sale of catalysts used in the production of polyolefins.

SCA: SCA is principally active in the production of ethylene and propylene.

SPM: SPM owns a butadiene production facility

