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COMP/M. 4370 – Electrabel/Cogas Energy

SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

By means of the proposed concentration, ENB will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the EC Merger Control Regulation control of Cogas Energy by way of an Asset Purchase Agreement, signed 20 July 2006.

ENB is a holding and finance company of Electrabel, a Belgium-based European energy and energy services group. Its core business consists of the generation of electricity; sale of electricity, natural gas and energy products and services; trading of electricity and natural gas; and the management of distribution networks for electricity and natural gas. Electrabel is part of the French company SUEZ, an international industrial and services group that is active in the field of the management of public utilities as a partner of public authorities, businesses and individuals in electricity, gas, energy services, water and waste management.

Cogas Energy is active in the retail supply of electricity and natural gas in the Netherlands. It is a subsidiary of Cogas, a Dutch company active in the generation of electricity; sale of electricity and natural gas; maintenance and development of electricity and gas distribution networks; supply of energy advisory services and the exploitation of a (TV and radio) cable network.

The Parties consider that the proposed transaction raises no competition concerns.