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## **COMP/M.4527 – SUN CAPITAL/ GOLDEN GATE/ BAUER**

### **SECTION 1.2**

#### **Description of the concentration**

On 22 December 2006, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration whereby Sun Capital and Golden Gate Capital acquire joint control of Eddie Bauer through affiliates.

Sun Capital and Golden Gate Capital are both US based private equity investment firms.

Eddie Bauer is a specialty retailer that sells casual outdoors sportswear apparel, shoes and accessories such as belts and bags.

The parties to the transaction are mainly active in the North American market. Their activities in Europe do not overlap nor are there any actual or potential vertical relationships.

The proposed transaction qualifies for treatment under the Simplified Procedure.