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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

On January 15, 2007, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the EC Merger Regulation, by which PAI Partners S.A.S. ("PAI") will acquire control over the Lafarge Roofing business ("Lafarge Roofing").

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are as follows:

- PAI is a private equity fund which manages/advises funds with a total value of more than €7 billion;
- Lafarge Roofing is a division of Lafarge S.A. that produces and sells roofing materials, through a number of subsidiaries and joint venture companies.

None of the companies controlled by PAI is engaged in business activities in the markets in which the companies part of the Lafarge Roofing are active, or in any product market which is upstream or downstream of those markets. Consequently, PAI respectfully submits that the notified transaction does not raise any competition concerns and is eligible for the simplified procedure.