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COMP/M.4734 - INEOS/ KERLING

SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

This notification pursuant to Article 4 EMCR concerns a proposed concentration by which INEOS Group Limited (INEOS) intends to acquire sole control within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) EMCR of Kerling ASA, a subsidiary of Norsk Hydro.

The transaction concerns the markets for PVC, upstream products that go into captive use, VCM and ethylene, and by-products, caustic soda, propylene, crude C4 and pygas. The transaction will not affect any of the markets at issue except for PVC and downstream films.

INEOS is a global manufacturer of petrochemicals, specialty chemicals and oil products.

Kerling, formerly Hydro polymers, consists of the worldwide polymer business of the Norsk Hydro group.