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COMP/M. 4844 - Fortis / ABN AMRO assets

SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

- (1) The present notification concerns a proposed concentration by means of which Fortis SA/NV and Fortis N.V. (collectively "**Fortis**") acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation 139/2004 (the "**EC Merger Regulation**") control of parts of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. ("**ABN AMRO**") by way of a joint public bid of Fortis, Royal Bank of Scotland plc ("**RBS**") and Banco Santander Central Hispano, S.A. ("**Santander**"), (collectively the "**Consortium**") for the whole of the ordinary issued share capital of ABN AMRO Holding N.V., announced on 20 July 2007, and the subsequent division of the assets between the Consortium members.
- (2) The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
- for Fortis: provision of banking and insurance services, mainly in Belgium and the Netherlands;
 - for ABN AMRO: provision of banking and other financial services, mainly in the Netherlands.