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COMP/M.4898 - COMPAGNIE DE SAINT-GOBAIN / MAXIT

SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

On 22 October 2007, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which the undertaking Compagnie de Saint-Gobain ("**Saint-Gobain**") acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking Maxit ("**Maxit**") by way of purchase of shares.

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

Saint-Gobain: the production and sale of materials such as glass, ceramics, plastics and certain buildings materials. Saint-Gobain is also active in the distribution of building materials in several EEA countries. In 2006, Saint-Gobain achieved a worldwide turnover of € 41,596 million.

Maxit: the production and sale of premix mortars and exclay and the design and assembly of premix equipment for premix manufacturers. In 2006, Maxit achieved a worldwide turnover of € 1,237 million.