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COMP/M. 6264 - RHONE CAPITAL / TRITON / EVONIK CARBON BLACK BUSINESS

SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

The proposed transaction will result in Rhône Capital and Triton acquiring joint control (indirectly or through alternative investment vehicles created pursuant to the authorities provided in the relevant documents) over ECB, Evonik's carbon black business (the shareholding in Qingdao Evonik Chemical Co., Ltd. (China) and the related business being a separate acquisition). It therefore will give rise to a concentration within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation.

Rhône Capital is a private equity investment firm.

Triton is a private equity investment firm.

ECB is the carbon black division of Evonik. It is a global producer of carbon black, a product used principally for the production of specialty pigments and the reinforcement of rubber used in tyres and mechanical rubber goods.