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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

This notification concerns the acquisition of sole control by Linde AG ("Linde") over the homecare business of Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. in Belgium, France, Germany, Spain and Portugal ("Air Products Homecare").

Linde is a gases and engineering company with approximately 50,000 employees working in more than 100 countries worldwide. It is active in the industrial gases, medical gases, equipment, engineering and services sectors.

Air Products Homecare provides patients with respiratory treatments and related services at patients' homes in Belgium, France, Germany, Spain and Portugal. Air Products Homecare is currently owned by Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.