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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

This notification relates to the acquisition of control by Eaton Corporation ("Eaton") of Cooper Industries plc ("Cooper").

The business activities of the undertakings concerned:

– Eaton is a diversified industrial company listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"). Headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio, United States, Eaton has approximately 72,000 employees and sells in more than 150 countries. Eaton operates through five main business units: (a) aerospace; (b) automotive; (c) electrical; (d) hydraulics; and (e) truck.

- Cooper is a manufacturer of electrical equipment listed on the NYSE. Headquartered in Maynooth, Ireland, Cooper has manufacturing facilities in 23 countries. The company operates through seven operating divisions: (a) B-Line; (b) Bussmann; (c) Crouse-Hinds; (d) Lighting; (e) Power Systems; (f) Safety; and (g) Wiring Devices. Cooper's products include electrical and electronic fuses, relays, and electric lighting equipment. Cooper also manufactures and sells tools through a joint venture called Apex Tool Group, LLC.

The proposed concentration relates to electrical equipment and components.