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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

- 1. On 21 March 2013, the European Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration, which involves the acquisition by DB Mobility Logistics AG (*DB*), a subsidiary of the state-owned German transport operator Deutsche Bahn AG, of all shares of Veolia Transport Central Europe GmbH (*Veolia*), a subsidiary of the Veolia Transport Transdev Group, and thus sole control within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the EU Merger Regulation.
- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - a. DB, a German stock corporation, is a fully owned subsidiary of Deutsche Bahn AG. The company's core business is the railway in Germany with more than five million customers every day in the passenger transport segment, and a million tonnes of freight shipped each day via rail. In addition, it also operates bus services in Germany. Furthermore, within the EEA, Deutsche Bahn AG operates passenger rail services in Denmark, Poland, Portugal, the Netherlands, Sweden and the United Kingdom as well as passenger bus services in the Czech Republic, Denmark, Hungary, Italy, Portugal, Malta, the Netherlands, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom.
 - b. Veolia: Veolia is part of the VTD group, one of Europe's largest private passenger transport companies. Veolia, as the holding company, with its business seat in Berlin, Germany, operates through 17 entities in 6 countries. Veolia operates passenger bus services in the Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia within the EEA and in Croatia and Serbia outside of the EEA. In addition, Veolia also operates one regional rail service in the Olomoucky region of the Czech Republic.