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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

This notification is pursuant to Article 4 of the Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ("**the Merger Regulation**") and relates to the proposed acquisition, within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation, of sole control by Royal Dutch Shell plc of BG Group plc.

On 8 April 2015, Shell announced its intention to make an offer under section 2.7 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers to acquire the entire issued and to be issued share capital of BG Group. Shell is a global group of energy and petrochemical companies with operations in more than 70 countries and territories and businesses including oil and gas exploration, production and marketing; manufacturing, marketing and shipping of oil products and chemicals; and renewable energy products.

BG Group has two principal business areas: the Upstream business segment, which covers exploration and production activities plus liquefaction operations associated with integrated LNG projects; and the LNG Shipping and Marketing business, which purchases, transports (by vessel), markets and sells LNG and covers BG Group's regasification facilities.