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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

On 17 April 2015, Falcon Metals GmbH, Düsseldorf, Germany, an indirectly wholly-owned subsidiary of Goldberg, Lindsay & Co., LLC, New York, US, and ThyssenKrupp Materials International GmbH, Essen, Germany, entered into an agreement whereby Falcon Metals GmbH acquires 100% in the shares of and sole control over VDM Metals GmbH (including all subsidiaries), VDM Metals USA, LLC, VDM Metals Italia S.r.l., VDM Metals Austria GmbH, VDM Metals Benelux B.V., VDM Metals (Guangzhou) Trading Co., Ltd., VDM (Shanghai) high performance metals trading Co., Ltd., and VDM Metals France S.A.S. (together: “**VDM Metals Group**”), within the meaning of Art. 3(1)(b) of Council Regulation 139/2004.

Goldberg, Lindsay & Co., LLC (“**Lindsay Goldberg**”), is a private equity investment firm organized as a limited partnership in the state of Delaware (USA) and not controlled by any other undertaking. Lindsay Goldberg (indirectly via different funds and other controlled entities) currently controls 19 portfolio companies (including their respective subsidiaries), which are active in different industries. None of these portfolio companies is active in the production and supply of metallic materials.

VDM Metals Group, with production sites in Germany and the USA, produces and sells corrosion-resistant, high-temperature, high-strength or low-weight metallic materials, i.e. nickel alloys, titanium and titanium alloys, zirconium, cobalt-based alloys, and special alloyed stainless steels, in different forms for different industry sectors.