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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

This notification relates to the proposed acquisition of sole control within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004 by investment funds managed by affiliates of Apollo Management, L.P. ("Apollo") over OM Group, Inc. ("OMG").

Affiliates of Apollo invest in companies and debt issued by companies involved in various businesses throughout the world. Examples of current investments include, inter alia, companies in the chemical, cruise line, financial services, paper, and television production businesses.

OMG owns five distinct businesses: (i) Vacuumschmelze/magnetic technologies; (ii) battery technologies; (iii) advanced organics; (iv) electronic chemicals; and (v) photomasks. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for Apollo: portfolio investments;
- for OMG: manufacture of specialty chemicals for electronic and industrial applications; manufacture of batteries and accumulators; and manufacture of magnetic and optical data.