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**M.8203- BLACKSTONE / NEW MOUNTAIN / JDA SOFTWARE**

**SECTION 1.2**

**Description of the concentration**

The Commission has received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (the “EUMR”). On 15 September 2016, Blackstone and New Mountain Capital notified the Commission of their intention to acquire joint control of RedPrairie Holding, Inc., which owns JDA Software Group, Inc. New Mountain Capital currently has sole control over RedPrairie Holding, Inc.

The areas of activities of the undertakings concerned by the notified concentration are as follows:

- (i) **Blackstone** is a global alternative asset manager. Blackstone currently controls the following providers of application software: RGIS; Ipreo; CMS Info Systems Ltd.; and Change Healthcare;
- (ii) **New Mountain Capital** is a private equity investment firm; and
- (iii) **JDA Software Group Inc.** is a global provider of end-to-end, integrated retail, omni-channel, and supply chain planning and execution enterprise application software solutions.