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## M.8829 - TOTAL PRODUCE / DOLE FOOD COMPANY

## **SECTION 1.2**

## **Description of the concentration**

The proposed concentration comprises the acquisition by Total Produce plc ("Total Produce") of a 45% shareholding in DFC Holdings, LLC, and thus indirectly in its wholly-owned subsidiary, Dole Food Company, Inc. (together referred to as "Dole"), within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004 (the "Transaction"). Dole is owned by Mr David H. Murdock ("Mr Murdock"), who also has certain interests in markets unrelated to fresh produce.

As a result of the Transaction, Total Produce and Mr Murdock will jointly control Dole as a full-function joint venture.

Total Produce is a provider of fresh produce. It distributes more than 400 million cartons of fresh produce annually, with 146 operating facilities worldwide. Total Produce sources fruits and vegetables from growers around the world and sells to customers globally. It is listed on the Enterprise Securities Market in Ireland and the Alternative Investment Market in London.

Dole is a producer, marketer and distributor of fresh fruit and vegetables. Dole sells and distributes fruit and vegetables through a global network, with operations in multiple locations.