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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

On 25 April 2018, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which Alps Electric Co., Ltd. ("Alps") acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of Alpine Electronics, Inc. ("Alpine").

The business activities of the parties are:

- Alps is an international company that is headquartered and listed in Japan, which is
 primarily active in the development, manufacture and sale of a wide range of
 electronic components used in a variety of applications such as automotive, household,
 healthcare, energy, and IT applications.
- Alpine is an international company that is headquartered and listed in Japan, which is
 primarily active in the development, manufacture and sale of car infotainment systems
 (including its constituent components of car navigation, audio and visual systems), car
 sound systems, drive assist systems, and car information and telecommunication
 applications.