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## **SECTION 1.2**

## **Description of the concentration**

- 1. This notification relates to the acquisition of joint control by Metal One Corporation ("MO"), a subsidiary of Mitsubishi Corporation ("Mitsubishi"), and Sumitomo Corporation ("Sumitomo") of Metal One Pipe & Tubular Products Inc., a subsidiary of MO, in order to combine the Japanese domestic steel pipe wholesale businesses of both MO and Sumitomo.
- 2. MO is a Japanese company which was founded in 2003 and is headquartered in Tokyo, Japan. It is an integrated steel trading company which supplies various steel products in Japan and internationally.
- 3. Mitsubishi is an integrated trading and investment company which is active in various sectors such as (i) metal products; (ii) infrastructure; (iii) energy; (iv) machinery; and (v) mineral resources and chemicals.
- 4. Sumitomo is an integrated trading and investment company which is active in various sectors such as (i) metal products; (ii) transportation and construction systems; (iii) infrastructure; (iv) media and digital related products; (v) living related and real estate; and (vi) mineral resources, energy, chemicals and electronics.