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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

The transaction consists in the acquisition of joint control by Carlyle U.S. Equity Opportunity Fund II, L.P. ("CEOF II"), a fund managed by affiliates of The Carlyle Group ("Carlyle"), and TA Associates L.P. ("TA Associates"), over WU Holdco, Inc. (the holding of the Weiman group of companies, altogether "Weiman"). The nature of the businesses of the parties is as follows:

- Carlyle is a global alternative asset manager, which manages funds that invest globally across four investment disciplines: (i) Corporate Private Equity; (ii) Real Assets; (iii) Global Credit; and (iv) Solutions.
- TA Associates is active in the fields of private equity investments through various funds in selected industries, including the technology, financial services, healthcare, consumer, and business services industries..
- Weiman is a surface cleaning manufacturer and distributor almost exclusively active in the US and generally North America.