

***Case No COMP/M.3131 -
SIKA / BUZZI / JV***

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**REGULATION (EEC) No 4064/89
MERGER PROCEDURE**

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION
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MERGER PROCEDURE
ARTICLE 6(1)(b) DECISION

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

To the notifying party

Dear Madam(s) and/or Sir(s),

Subject: Case No. COMP/M.3131 - SIKA/BUZZI/JV
Notification of 02/04/2003 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC)
No. 4064/89¹
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p. 29 of 10/04/2003

1. On 02/04/2003, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89 by which the undertakings SIKA AG (Switzerland) and BUZZI Unicem S.p.A. ("BUZZI", Italy) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control of the undertaking Addiment Italia S.r.l. (Italy), by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are :
 - for SIKA : concrete and cement admixtures
 - for BUZZI : cement and related products, ready mix concrete and aggregates

¹ OJ L 395, 30.12.1989 p. 1; corrected version OJ L 257 of 21.9.1990, p. 13, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1310/97, OJ L 180, 9.7.1997, p. 1, corrigendum in OJ L 40, 13.2.1998, p. 17.

- for Addiment Italia: concrete admixtures, cement admixtures and other construction materials.
3. After examination of the notification, the Commission has concluded that the notified operation falls within the scope of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89 and of paragraphs 4 (a) sub (I) and 4 (c) of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89².
 4. For the reasons set out in the Notice on a simplified procedure, the Commission has decided not to oppose the notified operation and to declare it compatible with the common market and with the EEA Agreement. This decision is adopted in application of Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89.

For the Commission

Mario MONTI
Member of the Commission

² OJ C 217, 29.07.2000, p. 32.