

***Case No COMP/M.3490 -
TPG / DLJ / CSFB /
GROHE***

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**REGULATION (EC) No 139/2004
MERGER PROCEDURE**

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

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

To the notifying parties:

Dear Sirs,

Subject: Case No. COMP/M.3490 - TPG Partners IV, L.P. / DLJ Merchant Banking III, Inc./Grohe AG
Notification of 04/06/2004 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004¹
Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No. C 160 du 17/06/2004

1. On 04/06/2004, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004 by which the undertakings TPG Partners IV, L.P. ("TPG IV", USA), a group of parallel funds managed by TPG Advisors IV, Inc., and DLJ Merchant Banking III, Inc. ("DLJ MB", USA), which belongs to the Credit Suisse Group ("CS Group", Switzerland), acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control of the undertaking GROHE AG ("GROHE", Germany) by way of purchase of shares.
2. After examination of the notification, the Commission has concluded that the notified operation falls within the scope of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004 and of paragraph

¹ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004 p. 1

4, subparagraph b, of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89².

3. 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 (EC) No. 139/2004.

For the Commission

(signed)
Mario MONTI
Member of the Commission

² OJ C 217, 29.07.2000, p. 32; Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89 has been replaced by Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004.