

***Case No COMP/M.4131 -  
BAIN / TEXAS  
INSTRUMENTS***

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

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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.4131 - Bain Capital /Texas Instruments  
Notification of 20.02.2006 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No.  
139/2004<sup>1</sup>  
Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No. C 47 of  
25.02.2006 page 26 — Candidate case for simplified procedure**

1. On 20.02.2006, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which Bain Capital Investors, LLC (“Bain”, USA) acquires, within the meaning of Article 3(1) (b) of the Council Regulation, sole control over the sensors and controls businesses of Texas Instruments Inc. (USA) by way of purchase of shares and assets.

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for Bain: private equity investment.
- for sensors and controls businesses of Texas Instruments Inc.: sensors and controls.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 24, 29.1.2004 p. 1

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 5, subparagraph b) of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004<sup>2</sup>.
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)  
Neelie KROES  
Member of the Commission

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<sup>2</sup> OJ C 56, 05.3.2005 p.32