

***Case No COMP/M.4459 -
RETTIG CAPITAL /
AHLSTRÖM CAPITAL /
NORDKALK***

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

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

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

PUBLIC VERSION

To the notifying parties

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

**Subject: Case No. COMP/M.4459 - RETTIG CAPITAL/ AHLSTRÖM CAPITAL/ NORDKALK
Notification of 24.11.2006 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No.
139/2004¹
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2006, page 15.**

1. On 24/11/2006, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 and following a referral pursuant to Article 4(5) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which the undertakings Ahlström Capital Oy (“Ahlström Capital”, Finland) and Rettig Capital Oy (“Rettig Capital”, Finland), belonging to the Rettig Group (“Rettig”), acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control of the undertaking Nordkalk Oyj (“Nordkalk”, Finland) by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for Ahlström Capital: investment fund;
 - for Rettig Capital: investment fund;

¹ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004 p. 1.

- for Rettig : hydronic and electric heating and indoor climate regulation; shipping; real estate development;
 - for Nordkalk: manufacturing of limestone-based products.
3. 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 139/2004².
 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 (EC) No. 139/2004.

For the Commission,
signed
Philip LOWE
Director General

² OJ C 56, 05.3.2005 p. 32.