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REGULATION (EC) No 139/2004 MERGER PROCEDURE

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION Date: 10/07/2007

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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:

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Notification of 5 June 2007 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004¹

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- 1. On 5 June 2007, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which Apax Partners Worldwide LLP ("Apax", UK) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1) (b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of Electro-Stocks Grup SL ("ESG", Spain) by way of purchase of shares.
- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - Apax: provides private equity fund advisory and management services to funds investing primarily in Europe in a range of industry sectors

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- ESG: distribution of electrical components in Spain, primarily to electrical installers, builders and other installers.
- 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

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² OJ C 56, 05.3.2005 p.32