

***Case No COMP/M.4768 -  
CRH / CEMENTBOUW***

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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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COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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ARTICLE 6(1)(b) DECISION

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

To the notifying party

Dear Sirs,

**Subject: Case No. COMP/M.4768 - CRH/ Cementbouw**  
**Notification of 10.07.2007 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 162,**  
**14.07.2007, page 18**

1. On 10.07.2007, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004 by which the undertaking CRH Nederland B.V. ("CRH", The Netherlands), belonging to the CRH plc Group ("CRH plc", Ireland), acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking Cementbouw B.V. ("Cementbouw", The Netherlands), by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
  - for undertaking CRH: production and distribution of building materials (like cement, aggregates, surfacing materials, ready-mixed concrete) and products for the construction industry (like pre-cast concrete products, bricks and tiles);
  - for undertaking CRH plc: production and distribution of materials and products for the construction industry;

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

- for undertaking Cementbouw: wholesale trading of cement and other binding agents and production of ready-mixed concrete.
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(d) of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004<sup>2</sup>.
  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,  
(Michel Magnier on behalf of)  
Philip LOWE  
Director General

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