

***Case No COMP/M.5302 -
NTT DATA / CIRQUENT***

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

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

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

To the notifying party:

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

**Subject: Case No COMP/M.5302 - NTT Data/ Cirquent
Notification of 19.08.2008 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No
139/2004¹
Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 218,
27.08.2008, p.18**

1. On 19/08/08, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which the undertaking NTT Data Corporation ("NTT Data", Japan) belonging to the Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation Group ("NTT", Japan) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking Cirquent GmbH ("Cirquent", Germany) by way of purchase of shares.

¹ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for NTT: Telecommunications and IT services;
 - for NTT Data: IT services;
 - for Cirquent: IT services.
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 (c) (i) 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 by Lowri EVANS)
Philip LOWE
Director General

² OJ C 56, 05.3.2005, p. 32.