Case No COMP/M.5371 -RAIFFEISEN INFORMATIK / PC-WARE

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REGULATION (EC) No 139/2004 MERGER PROCEDURE

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION Date: 21/11/2008

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COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES



Director General

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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.5371 - RAIFFEISEN INFORMATIK / PC-WARE Notification of 23.10.2008 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004¹

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- 1. On 23.10.2008, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which by which the undertaking Raiffeisen Informatik GmbH ("Raiffeisen Informatik", Austria) jointly controlled by Raiffeisen Zentralbank Österreich AG ("RZB", Austria) and Raiffeisenlandesbank Niederösterreich-Wien AG ("RLB NÖ-W", Austria) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking PC-Ware Information Technologies AG ("PC-Ware", Germany) by way of public bid.
- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are :

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OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

- for Raiffeisen Informatik: Information Technology ("IT") services, in particular management of IT systems as well as IT process management;
- for RZB: Bank focusing on commercial and investment banking, and central institution of the Austrian Group of Raiffeisen banks;
- for RLB NÖ-W: Bank and regional central institution of Raiffeisen banks of Lower Austria;
- for PC-Ware: Sale and licensing of software as well as software management.
- 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
Philip LOWE

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² OJ C 56, 05.3.2005, p. 32.