

***Case No COMP/M.6628 - TRINECKE ZELEZARNY/ ZDB
DRATOVNA***

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

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION
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SIMPLIFIED MERGER
PROCEDURE

To the notifying parties:

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

**Subject: Case No COMP/M.6628 - TŘINECKÉ ŽELEZÁRNY/ ZDB DRÁTOVNA
Commission decision pursuant to Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No
139/2004¹**

1. On 30 July 2012, the European 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 undertaking Třinecké Železářny a.s. ("TZ", Czech Republic) belonging to the group of Moravia Steel a.s. ("Moravia Steel", Czech Republic) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of parts of the ZDB Group a.s. (ZDB, Czech Republic) by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company, ZDB Drátovna a.s. ("Drátovna", Czech Republic).²
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for TZ and Moravia Steel: various steel products, including production of wire rod and other hot-rolled long steel products, semi-finished products, hot-rolled universal wide

¹ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 ("the Merger Regulation"). With effect from 1 December 2009, the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union ("TFEU") has introduced certain changes, such as the replacement of "Community" by "Union" and "common market" by "internal market". The terminology of the TFEU will be used throughout this decision.

² Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 236, 7.8.2012, p. 3.

steel, seamless tubes and drawn and peeled steel (e.g. cold-drawn wire and peeled steelbars),

- for Drátovna: production and distribution of cold drawn wires and products made of cold drawn wires.

3. After examination of the notification, the European Commission has concluded that the notified operation falls within the scope of the Merger Regulation and of paragraph 5 (c) of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004³.
4. For the reasons set out in the Notice on a simplified procedure, the European Commission has decided not to oppose the notified operation and to declare it compatible with the internal market and with the EEA Agreement. This decision is adopted in application of Article 6(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation.

For the Commission
(signed)
Alexander ITALIANER
Director General

³ OJ C 56, 5.3.2005, p. 32.