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SIMPLIFIED MERGER PROCEDURE

To the notifying party:

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

Subject: Case No COMP/M.6999 – SPIE/ HSS Commission decision pursuant to Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004¹

1. On 25 July 2013, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which the undertaking SPIE S.A. ("SPIE", France) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of Hochtief Service Solutions ("HSS", Germany) by way of purchase of shares².

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 220, 01.08.2013, p.31

- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - For SPIE: provision of electrical and mechanical engineering and heating, ventilation and air conditioning services, energy and communication systems.
 - For HSS: provision of facility management services.
- 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.