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REGULATION (EC) No 139/2004 MERGER PROCEDURE

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SIMPLIFIED MERGER PROCEDURE

To the notifying parties:

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

<u>Subject</u>: Case M.7549 - CGG/ WOOD MACKENZIE/ JV Commission decision pursuant to Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004¹ and Article 57 of the Agreement on the European Economic Area²

- 1. On 1 April 2015, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which Compagnie Générale de Géophysique SA ("CGG", France) and Wood Mackenzie Limited ("Wood Mackenzie", United Kingdom) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Petroleum Edge Limited ("Petroleum Edge", United Kingdom) by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture.³
- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for CGG: the manufacture of geophysical equipment, the acquisition of geological data and the provision of geoscience services to customers primarily in the oil and gas exploration business;

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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 OJ L 1, 3.1.1994, p.3 ("the EEA Agreement").

³ Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 119, 14/04/2015, p. 44.

- for Wood Mackenzie: the collection and analysis of data relating to assets, markets and companies operating in the oil, gas, coal, carbon, metals and power generation markets;
- for Petroleum Edge: the development and sale of a software for the evaluation of the likely value of undeveloped oil and gas resources.
- 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(a) of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004.⁴
- 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 and Article 57 of the EEA Agreement.

For the Commission (Signed) Alexander ITALIANER Director-General

⁴ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.