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

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION
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SIMPLIFIED MERGER
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To the notifying party:

Dear Sirs,

**Subject: Case M.7979 - GILDE / ROYAL REESINK
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 6 April 2016, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which the undertaking Gilde V Management B.V. ("Gilde V Management", Netherlands) acquires through Gilde Fund V, belonging to the group of Gilde funds, within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of Royal Reesink N.V. ("Royal Reesink", Netherlands) by way of public bid announced on 8 February 2016.³

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 131, 14.04.2016, p. 6.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for Gilde V Management: advice to, management of and investment in mid-market companies;
 - for Royal Reesink: distribution of branded machinery and equipment, namely machinery for agriculture and horticulture, landscape maintenance, material handling and civil engineering applications; and distribution of steel products, personal protection products and hydraulic components and systems.
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(b) 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)*

*Johannes LAITENBERGER
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⁴ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.