Case M.9392 - EQT / PARQUES REUNIDOS SERVICIOS CENTRALES

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REGULATION (EC) No 139/2004 MERGER PROCEDURE

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION

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To the notifying parties

Subject: Case M.9392 – EQT / PARQUES REUNIDOS SERVICIOS CENTRALES
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

Dear Sir or Madam,

- 1. On 23 May 2019, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which EQT Fund Management S.à r.l. ("EQT", Luxembourg) acquires, within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation, sole control of the whole of Parques Reunidos Servicios Centrales S.A. ("Parques Reunidos", Spain) by way of public bid announced on 26 April 2019.³
- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for EQT: investments in infrastructure and infrastructure-related assets and businesses primarily in Europe and North America;
 - for Parques Reunidos: leisure park operator (theme parks, zoos, marine parks, water parks, indoor entertainment centres and other attractions).
- 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

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.

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

Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 185, 29.05.2019, p. 23.

⁴ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.

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
Director-General