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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.9715 – PCG / PCC / 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

Dear Sir or Madam,

- 1. On 17 February 2020, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which the undertakings PETRONAS Chemicals Group Berhad ('PCG', Malaysia), controlled by Petroliam Nasional Berhad ('PETRONAS', Malaysia), acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of the undertaking PCC Oxyalkylates Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. ('PCC Oxyalkylates', Malaysia), controlled by PCC SE ('PCC', Germany), by way of purchase of shares.³
- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for PCG: active primarily in manufacturing and selling a diversified range of petrochemical products,
 - for PCC: holding and parent company of the PCC Group and its affiliated companies. The PCC Group is active in the chemicals sector, the logistics sector and the energy sector,
 - for PCC Oxyalkylates: will be active in the manufacturing and marketing of certain finished unblended oxyalkylates products, mainly in the Asia Pacific region.

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').

Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 060, 24.02.2020, p. 4.

- 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) and 5(c) 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)
Olivier GUERSENT
Director-General

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⁴ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.