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***Case M.10777 - PLASTIC OMNIUM / VARROC
(LIGHTING DIVISION)***

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

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION
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**Subject: Case M.10777 – PLASTIC OMNIUM / VARROC (LIGHTING DIVISION)
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 6 July 2022, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which the undertaking Compagnie Plastic Omnium SE ('Plastic Omnium', France) controlled by Burelle SA (France) will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of The lighting system division of Varroc Lighting Systems GmbH ('Varroc Lighting Systems', Germany) by way of purchase of securities.³
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are the following:
 - Plastic Omnium develops, manufactures and supplies automotive components and modules (bumpers, hatchbacks/tailgates and spoilers, fuel storage and delivery systems, fuel cell stacks, hydrogen vessels and integrated hydrogen systems), mainly for light vehicles,
 - Varroc Lighting Systems develops, manufactures and supplies automotive exterior lighting systems for light vehicles.
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

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 269, 13.7.2022, p. 33.

paragraph 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

⁴ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.