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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

This notification relates to the acquisition of joint control by INEOS AG ("INEOS") and China Petroleum and Chemical Corporation ("Sinopec") over INEOS Styrolution Advanced Materials (Ningbo) Pte Ltd Ltd. (the "Joint Venture"). Under the proposed transaction, Sinopec will acquire a 50% equity interest in the Joint Venture, which is currently whollyowned by INEOS.

INEOS is a privately owned conglomerate that produces a range of chemicals including petrochemicals, specialty chemicals and oil products. Sinopec is a petroleum and petrochemical group headquartered in Beijing.

The Joint Venture is developing and constructing, and will operate once completed, an acrylonitrile butadiene styrene plant in the People's Republic of China.