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MERCER PROCEDURE**

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION
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**Subject: Case M.11016 – AIR LIQUIDE / ADP / 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 April 2023, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation, by which the undertakings Air Liquide (‘Air Liquide’, France), and Aéroports de Paris S.A. (‘ADP’, France), will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control over the whole of the undertaking JV (France) by way of purchase of shares.³
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are the following:
 - ADP is responsible for the development, operation and expansion of the airports of Paris-Charles de Gaulle, Paris-Orly, Paris-Le Bourget, as well as a certain number of civil airports located in the Ile-de-France region. ADP is also active in the provision of engineering and technical consulting services for the airport industry and in the provision of airport support operations and engineering services,

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 142, 25.4.2023, p. 16.

- Air Liquide is active in industrial gases, technologies and services used in the Industrial and Health sectors.
- 3. The business activities of the JV will be the provision of engineering services to airports for their projects to integrate hydrogen in their infrastructures. These engineering services will include, pre-engineering, pre-feasibility and engineering studies, and assisting clients in their building, owning and operating projects with respect to hydrogen-focused airport infrastructures.
- 4. 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
- 5. 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)
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⁴ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.