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## **SECTION 4**

## **Description of the concentration**

This notification concerns the acquisition of joint control by investment funds managed by affiliates of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. ("**DigitalBridge**") and by investment funds managed by affiliates of Equitix Holdings Limited ("**Equitix**") over Freedom Fibre Limited ("**Freedom Fibre**"), VX Fiber Limited ("**VX Fiber**") and LilaConnect Limited ("**LilaConnect**"), within the meaning of Article 3(1), point (b) and Article 3(4) EU Merger Regulation (the "**Proposed Transaction**").

**DigitalBridge (USA)** is a dedicated, global-scale digital infrastructure investment firm that invests, directly and through its managed funds and portfolio companies, in five key areas: (i) data centres; (ii) cell towers; (iii) fiber networks; (iv) small cells; and (v) edge infrastructure. DigitalBridge is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (ticker symbol: DBRG).

**Equitix (UK)** is an investor, developer and long-term fund manager of core infrastructure and energy-efficiency assets. Equitix manages six core infrastructure flagship funds, 14 co-investment funds which are dedicated to larger infrastructure projects, and a number of segregated managed accounts providing customised solutions.

VX Fiber (UK) constructs, deploys, operates and owns both passive and active fibre-to-thepremises ("FTTP") networks in the UK only and is currently solely controlled by DigitalBridge.

**LilaConnect (UK)** is an internet service provider ("**ISP**") in the UK only and currently solely controlled by DigitalBridge.

**Freedom Fibre (UK)** is a UK FTTP provider which is active in the roll-out of fibre broadband networks in both urban and rural areas in the UK only. Freedom Fibre is currently solely controlled by funds managed by Equitix.