

## Case M.11589 - ABB / NIEDAX / EAGLE JV HOLDCO INC

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## REGULATION (EC) No 139/2004 MERGER PROCEDURE

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION

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## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**



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Commission decision pursuant to Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004  $(^1)$  and Article 57 of the Agreement on the European Economic Area  $(^2)$ 

Dear Sir or Madam,

- On 21 May 2024, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which ABB Inc. ('ABB', Switzerland) and Niedax GmbH & Co. KG ('Niedax', Germany) will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Eagle JV HoldCo Inc. ('Eagle JV', USA) by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture. (3)
- (2) The business activities of the undertakings concerned are the following:
  - ABB, is active in electrification and automation, with solutions which combine engineering know-how and software in order to optimize manufacturing, power and operation,
  - Niedax, is a global provider of cable management systems.

<sup>(1)</sup> 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.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 1, 3.1.1994, p. 3 (the 'EEA Agreement').

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ C, C/2024/3410, 29.5.2024.

- (3) The business activities of the Eagle JV will be the following: the design, manufacturing and supply of cable tray systems in North America.
- (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(a) of the Commission Notice on a simplified treatment for certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. (4)
- (5) For the reasons set out in the Notice on a simplified treatment, 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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<sup>(4)</sup> OJ C 160, 5.5.2023, p. 1 (the 'Notice on a simplified treatment').