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Re: Joint Comments Regarding the Draft Guidelines on the Assessment of Non-horizontal Mergers Under the Council Regulation on the Control of Concentrations Between Undertakings

Dear Mr. Lowe:

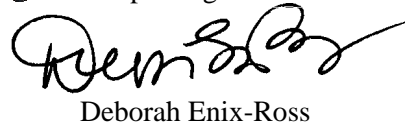
On behalf of the American Bar Association Sections of Antitrust Law and International Law, we are pleased to submit the enclosed comments to the European Commission in response to the Commission's request for comments regarding the draft guidelines on the assessment of non-horizontal mergers under the Council Regulation on the control of concentrations between undertakings.

Please note that these views are being presented only on behalf of the Sections of Antitrust Law and International Law. They have not been approved by the House of Delegates or the Board of Governors of the American Bar Association and should not be construed as representing the position of the American Bar Association.

If you have any questions after reviewing this report, we would be happy to provide further comments.

Sincerely,


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Deborah Enix-Ross

Enclosure