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Competition Authority Clears Acquisition of Perot Systems Corporation by Dell Inc.

The Competition Authority has today cleared the proposed acquisition by Dell Inc. ("Dell") of sole control of Perot Systems Corporation ("PSC"). The Competition Authority came to its decision after completing its review of the transaction, which was notified under the Competition Act 2002 by the parties on 25 September 2009.

Both Dell and PSC are USA corporations headquartered in Texas. Dell is involved, both globally and within the State, in the manufacture and sale of computer systems and in the provision of information technology services ("IT Services"), including Development and Integration of IT solutions. PSC supplies IT Services predominantly in the USA. Within the State, PSC is involved only in the Development and Integration segment of IT Services.

The Competition Authority has formed the view that the proposed acquisition does not raise competition concerns in the State. The companies have been informed of the decision that the proposed transaction will not lead to a substantial lessening of competition in any markets for goods or services in the State. The proposed transaction may now proceed. A public version of the full text of the reasons for the Authority's decision will be published on the Authority's website (www.tca.ie) by no later than 18 December 2009 after allowing the parties the opportunity to request that confidential information be removed from the published version.

NOTES TO THE EDITOR

Under Part 3 of the Competition Act 2002, certain mergers or acquisitions in the State that satisfy certain financial thresholds and other conditions must be notified to the Competition Authority and may not be put into effect during a prescribed waiting period. The Authority may clear or prohibit the proposed transaction.

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