

## **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

1. The OFT, in exercise of its powers under sections 131 and 133 of the Enterprise Act 2002 (the Act), hereby makes a reference to the Competition Commission for an investigation into the supply or acquisition of aggregates, cement and ready-mix concrete.

2. In accordance with section 133(2) and (3)(a) and (b) of the Act, the Competition Commission shall confine its investigation to the effects of features of such market or markets as exist in connection with the supply or acquisition of such goods or services in Great Britain.

3. The OFT has reasonable grounds for suspecting that a feature or combination of features of the market or markets for aggregates, cement and ready-mix concrete in Great Britain prevents, restricts or distorts competition in connection with their supply or acquisition in Great Britain .

4. For the purposes of this reference:

- Aggregates includes primary, secondary and recycled aggregates;
- Cement means grey cement;
- Ready-mix concrete includes on-site batching (volumetric trucks).

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