ANTICIPATED ACQUISITION BY WHITTAN INTERMEDIATE LIMITED OF APEX LINVAR LIMITED

Notice under section 96(2A) of the Enterprise Act 2002 (the Act) published pursuant to section 107(1)(i) of the Act

The Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) hereby gives notice pursuant to section 96(2A) of the Act that the merger notice provided by Whittan Intermediate Limited and Apex Linvar Limited in relation to the anticipated acquisition by Whittan Intermediate Limited of Apex Linvar Limited (the Merger) meets the requirements of section 96(2) of the Act.

The initial period defined in section 34ZA(3) of the Act in relation to the Merger will therefore commence on the first working day after the date of this notice, ie on 11 November 2015. The deadline for the CMA to announce its decision whether to refer the Merger for a phase 2 investigation is therefore 8 January 2016.