

## Anticipated acquisition by Kingspan Holdings (Panels) Limited of Building Solutions (National) Limited

## **Terms of reference**

- In exercise of its duty under section 33(1) of the Enterprise Act 2002 (the Act) the Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) believes that it is or may be the case that:
  - *(a)* arrangements are in progress or in contemplation which, if carried into effect, will result in the creation of a relevant merger situation, in that:
    - (i) enterprises carried on by Kingspan Holdings (Panels) Limited, will cease to be distinct from enterprises carried on by Building Solutions (National) Limited; and
    - (ii) the condition specified in section 23(2)(b) of the Act is satisfied; and
  - (b) the creation of that situation may be expected to result in a substantial lessening of competition within a market or markets in the United Kingdom for goods or services, including the supply of standard foam sandwich panels in the United Kingdom.
- 2. Therefore, in exercise of its duty under section 33(1) of the Act, the CMA hereby makes a reference to its chair for the constitution of a group under Schedule 4 to the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013 in order that the group may investigate and report, within a period ending on 5 October 2020, on the following questions in accordance with section 36(1) of the Act:
  - *(a)* whether arrangements are in progress or in contemplation which, if carried into effect, will result in the creation of a relevant merger situation; and
  - *(b)* if so, whether the creation of that situation may be expected to result in a substantial lessening of competition within any market or markets in the United Kingdom for goods or services.

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