

THE SABRE CORPORATION AND FARELOGIX MERGER INQUIRY ORDER 2020

Notice of making the Final Order pursuant to section 84 of and Schedule 10 to the Enterprise Act 2002

Introduction

1. On 2 September 2019, the Competition and Markets Authority (CMA), exercising its powers under [section 33](#) of the Enterprise Act 2002 (the Act) referred the anticipated acquisition by Sabre Corporation (Sabre) of Farelogix Inc (Farelogix) for further investigation and report by a group of CMA panel members.
2. The CMA published '[Anticipated acquisition by Sabre Corporation of Farelogix Inc, Final report](#)' (the Report) on 9 April 2020. In the Report, the CMA decided, in accordance with [section 36](#) of the Act, that:
 - (a) a relevant merger situation would be created as a result of the merger;
 - (b) the creation of that situation may be expected to result in a substantial lessening of competition (SLC) within the following markets:
 - (i) in the supply of merchandising solutions to airlines on a worldwide basis including in the UK.
 - (ii) in the supply of distribution solutions to airlines on a worldwide basis including in the UK.
 - (c) the CMA should take action for the purpose of remedying, mitigating or preventing the SLCs or any adverse effect which has resulted from, or may be expected to result from, each SLC; and
 - (d) the prohibition of the merger would be the only effective and proportionate remedy to the SLCs and any adverse effects which have resulted from, or may be expected to result from, each SLC.
3. On 12 May 2020, in accordance with paragraph 2(1)(a) of [Schedule 10](#) to the Act, the CMA published a notice of its intention to make an order to remedy,

mitigate or prevent the SLCs and any resulting customer detriment, which it identified in the Report and invited written representations from any interested person or persons by 12 June 2020.

4. The CMA did not receive any representations to its notice of 12 May 2020.
5. The CMA gives notice of the making of 'The Sabre and Farelogix Merger Inquiry Order 2020'. The Order is made in accordance with [section 41](#) and in exercise of the powers conferred by [84\(1\), \(2\) and \(3\)](#), [section 86\(1\), \(3\) and \(4\)](#), [section 87](#) of the Act and paragraphs 2, 12, 19, 21 and 22 of [Schedule 8](#) to the Act, for the purpose of remedying, mitigating or preventing the SLCs specified in the Report and any adverse effects which have resulted from, or may be expected to result from, the SLCs specified in the Report.
6. The Order comes into force on 19 June 2020.
7. The Order may be varied or revoked by the CMA under [section 84\(3\)](#) of the Act.
8. This notice and the Order will be published on the [case page](#), alongside an Explanatory Note which provides an explanation of how the Order is expected to operate.

Martin Coleman
Group Chair
19 June 2020