

# Completed Acquisitions by Medivet Group Limited of 17 independent veterinary businesses

17 March 2023

## NOTICE UNDER PARAGRAPH (b) OF THE DEFINITION OF 'INITIAL PERIOD' IN SECTION 34ZA(3) OF THE ENTERPRISE ACT 2002 (THE ACT) PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 107(1)(ab) OF THE ACT

The Competition and Markets Authority (**CMA**) hereby gives notice pursuant to paragraph (b) of the definition of 'initial period' in section 34ZA(3) of the Act that it has sufficient information in relation to each of the completed acquisitions by Medivet Group Limited (**Medivet**) of the 17 independent veterinary practices listed in Annex 1 to this Notice (the **Mergers**) to enable it to begin investigations for the purposes of deciding whether to make a reference for a Phase 2 investigation in relation to any or all of the Mergers.

The initial periods defined in section 34ZA(3) of the Act in relation to the Mergers will therefore all commence on the first working day after the date of this notice, ie on 20 March 2023. The end of the initial periods and the deadline for the CMA to announce its decision whether to refer any or all of the Mergers for a Phase 2 investigation(s) is therefore 18 May 2023.

## **Annex 1 to Commencement Notice**

1. All Creatures Clinic Limited;
2. The assets and business of the veterinary practice under the name Hollies Veterinary Surgery;
3. Canine Healthcare Limited (t/a Vet Value);
4. The assets and business of the veterinary practice under the name Iffley Vets;
5. The Oxford Cat Clinic Limited;
6. The Vet Station Limited;
7. Barton Companion Animal Services Limited;
8. Stanhope Park Veterinary Hospital Limited;
9. I T Kalogera Holdings Ltd (including its subsidiary I T Kalogera Limited);
10. Monument Vets Ltd;
11. Fitzalan House Veterinary Practice Ltd;
12. Ferring Street Vets Limited;
13. The Hackney Vet Limited;
14. The assets and business of the veterinary practice under the name 'Caddy Veterinary Surgery/Practice';
15. E Street Limited (t/a Elizabeth Street Veterinary Clinic);
16. The assets and businesses of the veterinary practices under the name The Vet on Richmond Hill & The Vet in St Margaret's; and
17. Withy Grove Veterinary Clinic Limited.