

# ANTICIPATED ACQUISITION BY SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY OF THE EVIOSYS GROUP, FROM ENTITIES MANAGED BY KPS CAPITAL PARTNERS LP AND CROWN HOLDINGS, INC.

24 October 2024

## NOTICE UNDER SECTION 96(2A) OF THE ENTERPRISE ACT 2002 PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 107(1)(I) OF THE ENTERPRISE ACT 2002

1. The Competition and Markets Authority (**CMA**) hereby gives notice pursuant to section 96(2A) of the Enterprise Act 2002 (the **Act**) that the merger notice provided by Sonoco Products Company (**Sonoco**) to the anticipated acquisition by Sonoco of the Eviosys group, from entities managed by KPS Capital Partners LP and Crown Holdings, Inc. (the **Merger**) meets the requirements of section 96(2) of the Act.
2. The initial period defined in section 34ZA(3) of the Act in relation to the Transaction will therefore commence on the first working day after the date of this notice, ie on 25 October 2024. The deadline for the CMA to announce its decision whether to refer the Merger for a phase 2 investigation is therefore 19 December 2024.