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Competition Authority clears the acquisition by HP of Autonomy

The Competition Authority has cleared the proposed acquisition by Hewlett Packard Company of Autonomy Corporation plc. The parties notified the transaction under the Competition Act 2002 on 26 August 2011.

The Authority has formed the view that the proposed transaction will not lead to a substantial lessening of competition in any markets for goods or services in the State. The Authority will publish a public version of its determination on its website (www.tca.ie) no later than 20 November 2011 after allowing the parties the opportunity to request that confidential information is removed from the published version.

Notes

Hewlett Packard Company is a global provider of products, technologies, software, and services to individual customers, small and medium businesses, and large enterprises. Hewlett Packard Company's major business lines include: computer systems, information technology services, imaging and printing systems, and information technology software.

Autonomy Corporation plc is a global provider of infrastructure software, specialising in pattern recognition technologies. Autonomy Corporation plc has particular expertise in the search, retrieval, management and processing of unstructured data. Autonomy Corporation plc's business model is based on the utilisation of a single type of technology in a set of standard products to address unique problems associated with unstructured data.

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