



The Competition Authority

An tÚdarás Iomaíochta

PUBLIC NOTICE

Full Investigation of Merger M/12/027 - Uniphar/CMR

The Competition Authority has determined to carry out a full investigation under Section 22 of the Competition Act 2002 of merger notification M/12/027 – the transaction whereby Uniphar plc would acquire sole control of Cahill May Roberts Limited.

Uniphar plc has two business divisions: Uniphar Wholesale and Allphar Services Limited. Uniphar Wholesale is a full-line wholesaler of pharmaceutical, healthcare, and veterinary products to pharmacies, hospitals and veterinary surgeons in the State. Allphar is a pre-wholesaler of pharmaceutical products, healthcare products, veterinary products, and healthcare equipment acting as sole agent and distributor in the State on behalf of manufacturers. Allphar supplies to full-line pharmaceutical wholesalers, community pharmacies and hospitals. Allphar is also involved in the direct supply of pharmaceutical products to pharmacies where it acts on behalf of manufacturers to distribute some of their products direct to pharmacies.

Cahill May Roberts Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Celesio AG, has two business divisions: CMR Wholesale and Movianto. CMR Wholesale is a full-line wholesaler of pharmaceutical, healthcare, and veterinary products to pharmacies, hospitals and veterinary surgeons in the State. Movianto is a pre-wholesaler of pharmaceutical products, healthcare products, veterinary products, and healthcare equipment acting as sole agent and distributor in the State on behalf of manufacturers. Movianto supplies to full-line pharmaceutical wholesalers, community pharmacies, hospitals and GPs. Movianto is also involved in the direct supply of pharmaceutical products to pharmacies where it acts on behalf of manufacturers to distribute some of their products direct to pharmacies.

Interested parties are invited to make submissions no later than **5:00pm on Wednesday 3 April 2013**. Parties making submissions should indicate clearly what, if any, of the material submitted contains business secrets. Submissions should be marked **“M/12/027 – Uniphar/CMR”** and should be addressed to Barry O’Donnell, Mergers Division, The Competition Authority, Parnell House, 14 Parnell Square, Dublin 1 or sent by e-mail to bod@tca.ie