



MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT

Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears the proposed acquisition by Pdraig Thornton Waste Disposal Limited t/a Thorntons Recycling of sole control of Skipfull Limited and Skipfull Two Limited

2 March 2018

The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission has cleared the proposed transaction whereby Pdraig Thornton Waste Disposal Limited t/a Thorntons Recycling would acquire sole control of Skipfull Limited and Skipfull Two Limited. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 24 January 2018.

The Commission has formed the view that the proposed transaction will not substantially lessen competition in any market for goods or services in the State. The Commission will publish the reasons for its determination on its website no later than 60 working days after the date of the determination and after allowing the parties the opportunity to request that confidential information be removed from the published version.

Additional Information

Thorntons Recycling is a vertically integrated waste and recycling business, engaged in the following business activities in the State (primarily in the Greater Dublin Area): the supply of domestic waste collection services; the supply of waste collection services to individual commercial and industrial (“C&I”) customers; the supply of waste collection services to multi-site C&I customers; the processing of waste collected from domestic and C&I customers; and the supply (for sale) of recyclable materials. With respect to waste processing, Thorntons Recycling operates six material recovery facilities, three of which are located in Co. Dublin, two in Co. Meath and one in Co. Wicklow.

Skipfull Limited is active in the waste sector in the State under the brand name *A Plus Skips*. *A Plus Skips* provides skip hire services to customers in the Greater Dublin Area. *A Plus Skips* also operates an MRF in Co. Dublin which processes waste collected from its skip hire business in the Greater Dublin Area. Skipfull Two Limited supplies domestic waste collection services to customers in counties Meath, Westmeath, Cavan and Longford under the brand name *Green Energy Recycling*.