MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT - M/21/037

Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears proposed acquisition of joint control by Bon Secours Health System Company Limited by Guarantee and Alliance Medical Diagnostic Imaging Limited of Barringtons MRI limited.

26 August 2021

On the 26 August 2021, the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission cleared the proposed acquisition of joint control of Barringtons MRI Limited by Bon Secours Health Systems CLG and Alliance Medical Diagnostic Imaging Limited. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 16 July 2021.

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

Bon Secours is the largest provider of private healthcare services in the State and operates private hospitals in Cork, Dublin, Galway, Limerick and Tralee.

Alliance Medical is a leading provider of diagnostic imaging across Europe. In the State, it is headquartered in Limerick and operates 30 clinical locations including Dublin, Cork, Galway and Belfast.

Barringtons MRI provides diagnostic imaging services from a premises within the Bon Secours Hospital at Barringtons in George's Quay, Limerick. It provides diagnostic imaging services to that hospital and to other patients.