

## MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT - M/22/039 – D9/ARQIVA

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**The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears proposed acquisition by D9 Wireless OpcO 2 Limited, of joint control of Arqiva Group Limited.**

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Today, the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission has cleared the proposed transaction whereby D9 Wireless OPCO 2 Limited, would acquire joint control of Arqiva Group Limited, with MEIF II Luxembourg Communications S.à.r.l. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 4 August 2022.

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**

D9 Wireless 2 OpcO Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Digital 9 Infrastructure plc, a United Kingdom (UK) based infrastructure investor with investments including, data centres, sub-sea cable and wireless access infrastructure projects.

Currently, MEIF II Luxembourg Communications S.à.r.l and Frequency Infrastructure Communications Assets Limited (the Seller) jointly control Arqiva. MEIF II is indirectly controlled by Macquarie Group which is a global provider of banking, financial, advisory, investment and funds management services listed on the Australian Securities Exchange. In the State, Macquarie Group, through Macquarie Capital, provides advisory services to project companies and is involved in delivering public private partnerships procured by the Irish state. Macquarie also, through portfolio, provides domestic and commercial waste management; renewable energy supply; recycling collection and processing; logistics; green fuels and energy recovery, aircraft leasing services and helicopter leasing services.

Arqiva is a UK-based data, network and communications service provider which owns and operates the UK's national terrestrial television and radio broadcasting networks, as well as "Internet of Things" and utilities connectivity platforms and satellite ground infrastructure. Arqiva does not provide services in the State.