



MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT - M/19/047

Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears proposed acquisition by DCC plc, through Certas Energy Ireland Limited, of control and operation of the 22 motor fuel service stations in the State owned by Tesco Ireland Limited.

3 February 2020

On 3 February 2020, the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission cleared the proposed transaction whereby, DCC plc, through Certas Energy Ireland Limited, will control and operate the 22 motor fuel service stations in the State owned by Tesco Ireland Limited. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 20 December 2019.

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

DCC plc. is a public limited company registered in the State and is listed on the London Stock Exchange. DCC plc. is an international sales, marketing and support services group. The group is divided into four separate divisions, LPG, Retail & Oil, Technology and Healthcare. Certas Energy Ireland Limited forms part of the Retail & Oil business division. DCC plc. operates a number of company-owned and company-operated unmanned motor fuel service stations and supplies fuel to dealer-owned and dealer-operated sites under the “*Emo*” and “*Great Gas*” brands in State.

Tesco Ireland Limited is ultimately, owned and controlled by Tesco plc, a British multinational groceries and general merchandise retailer with operations in Britain and Ireland, as well across Europe and Asia. Tesco Ireland Limited operates a network of retail grocery stores across the State. Tesco Ireland Limited also provides retail mobile telecommunications services in the State.