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Competition Authority Clears Capita Acquisition of Northgate

The Competition Authority has today cleared the proposed acquisition by Capita IT Services Holdings Limited of Northgate Managed Services Limited. The transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002 on 14 February 2013.

The Authority has formed the view that the proposed transaction will not lead to a substantial lessening of competition in any markets for goods or services in the State. The Authority will publish a public version of the reasons for its determination on its website (www.tca.ie) no later than 5 May 2013 after allowing the parties the opportunity to request that confidential information is removed from the published version.

Notes

Capita IT Services Holdings Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of Capita plc. Capita plc provides business process outsourcing and professional services. Capita plc delivers back office administration and front office customer contact services to private and public sector organisations across the United Kingdom and Ireland. Key business process outsourcing activities include life and pensions, financial services, insurance outsourcing, property consultancy, human resource solutions, local government services, and IT services.

Northgate Managed Services Limited provides cloud-based and infrastructure IT services and specialist managed services to public and private companies across the United Kingdom and Ireland, primarily in the education and utilities sectors. Northgate Managed Services Limited's activities can be divided into the following four categories: managed services; infrastructure services; cloud services; and, project management services.