## MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT - M/17/006

Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears the proposed acquisition by Topaz Energy Group Limited, through Ard Services Limited, of certain assets of Casey's Filling Station Limited

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The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission has today cleared the proposed transaction, whereby Topaz Energy Group Limited, through its indirect wholly-owned subsidiary Ard Services Limited, would acquire sole control of certain assets, namely, a retail motor fuel service station and ancillary convenience store, which currently trade as "Casey's Filling Station", from Casey's Filling Station Limited. The proposed transaction was notified to the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 3 February 2017.

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**

Topaz Energy Group Limited is indirectly wholly-owned by Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc., which operates a network of retail motor fuel service stations and convenience stores worldwide.

Topaz Energy Group Limited is active in the retail and non-retail sale of petroleum products in the State.

The Target Assets comprise a retail motor fuel service station and ancillary convenience store, which currently trade as Casey's Filling Station, located at Newtown, Bantry, Co Cork adjacent to the N71 roadway.