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Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears proposed acquisition by Rocket Sports Internet Limited of sole control of BenchWarmers Limited.

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The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission has cleared the proposed transaction whereby Rocket Sports Internet Limited would acquire sole control of BenchWarmers Limited. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 10 September 2020.

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

Rocket Sports Internet Limited is a UK based sports media business that operates a network of sports news websites and social media accounts including: caughtoffside.com; empireofthekop.com; and football-espana.net.

BenchWarmers Limited operates the website www.benchwarmers.ie and the associated social media accounts. The content of www.benchwarmers.ie is directed at sporting matters.