

BEFORE THE COMPETITION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

FIRST PHASE REVIEW

IN THE MATTER OF ACQUISITION OF % SHAREHOLDING OF M/S. SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC PAKISTAN (PRIVATE) LIMITED BY M/S. IMS ENGINEERING (PRIVATE) LIMITED FROM M/S. SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC INDUSTRIES.

CASE: 1205/Merger-CCP/21

Commission

Ms. Shaista Bano *Member*

Ms. Bushra Naz Malik Member

ORDER

- 1. On 13th July 2021 the Competition Commission of Pakistan ("Commission") received a premerger application ("Application") of a proposed acquisition pursuant to Section 11 of the Competition Act, 2010 ("Act") read with Regulation 6 of the Competition (Merger Control) Regulations, 2016 ("Merger Regulations") from M/s. IMS Engineering (Private) Limited ("Acquirer" or "IMS" or "Applicant") whereby it intends to acquire 1% shareholding M/s. Schneider Electric Pakistan (Private) Limited ("Target" or "SEP") from M/s. Schneider Electric Industries ("Seller" or "SEI"), pursuant to the Share Purchase Agreement ("Agreement"). All requisite information/documentation pertaining to the application was completed on June 26, 2021.
- 2. The Commission has examined the Application as well as all the documents attached therewith, the market scenario, and made its observations on the basis of an independent research/investigation in the relevant market. The Phase I competition assessment of the intended transaction has resulted in the following findings:
 - i. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - For the Acquirer: Undertake and execution of mechanical engineering works related to power generation activity.
 - For the Target: Manufacture and sell switchgears and distribution board and to provide services for electrical erection and installations.
 - For the Seller: Providing energy and automation digital solutions for efficiency and sustainability.
 - The proposed transaction involves the Acquirer proposing to buy 1% shareholding of the Target constituting shares. The amount under consideration for this transaction is estimated to EUR ______/- (approx. PKR as of August, $2021)^{1}$.
 - iii. The relevant product market in this case has been identified as that of "Electrical Equipment-Low Voltage Switchgear and Medium Voltage Switchgear" while the relevant geographic market identified is Pakistan.
 - iv. As per the data supplied by the Applicant, the Target has an estimated market share of % for LV and % for MV.
 - There are no overlaps in the activities of the merger parties, therefore, post-transaction, market conditions will remain unchanged.
- 3. As per the Application, no ancillary restriction have been reported with this transaction.
- 4. In conclusion, the intended acquisition of shares does not meet the presumption of dominance as determined under Section (2) (1) (e) read with Section 3 of the Act. The proposed transaction is hereby authorized under Section 31 (1) (d) (i) of the Act.

5. It is so ordered.

(Ms. Shaista Bano)

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(Ms. Bushra Naz Malik) Member