

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Delegation of Authority To Respond to Requests From Mexico's Procuraduria Federal del Consumidor

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Delegation of authority.

SUMMARY: The Commission has delegated authority to the Associate Director for International Consumer Protection to respond to disclosure and other requests from Mexico's Procuraduria Federal del Consumidor (Profeco) pursuant to a memorandum of understanding with the Commission.

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 6, 2005.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 1961, 24 FR 6191, that the Commission has delegated to the Associate Director for International Consumer Protection the authority to respond to disclosure and other requests from Mexico's Procuraduria Federal del Consumidor

pursuant to a memorandum of understanding with the Commission about consumer protection information sharing and enforcement cooperation. This delegated authority does not apply to competition-related investigations. When exercising its authority under this delegation, staff may only disclose information regarding consumer protection matters involving Mexico, and will require assurances of confidentiality from Profeco. Disclosures shall be made only to the extent consistent with current limitations on disclosure, including section 6(f) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. 46(f), section 21 of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 57b-2, and Commission Rule 4.10(d), 16 CFR 4.10(d), and with the Commission's enforcement policies and other important interests. Where the subject matter of the information to be shared raises significant policy concerns, staff shall consult with the Commission before disclosing such information.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark,

Secretary.

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Granting of Request for Early Termination of the Waiting Period Under the Premerger Notification Rules

Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. 18a, as added by Title II of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requires persons contemplating certain mergers or acquisitions to give the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General advance notice and to wait designated periods before consummation of such plans. Section 7A(b)(2) of the Act permits the agencies, in individual cases, to terminate this waiting period prior to its expiration and requires that notice of this action be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following transactions were granted early termination of the waiting period provided by law and the premerger notification rules. The grants were made by the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice. Neither agency intends to take any action with respect to these proposed acquisitions during the applicable waiting period.

TRANS #	Acquiring	Acquired	Entities
Transactions Granted Early Termination—01/04/2005			
20050383	SBC Communications Inc	Yantra Corporation	Yantra Corporation.
20050384	Quantum Fuel Systems Technologies Worldwide, Inc.	Starcraft Corporation	Starcraft Corporation.
20050394	Selectica, Inc	I-many, Inc	I-many, Inc.
20050397	Witness Systems, Inc	Blue Pumpkin Software, Inc	Blue Pumpkin Software, Inc.
20050398	LifePoint Hospitals, Inc	Danville Regional Health System, Inc	Ambulatory Services of Danville. Danville Regional Medical Center. Memorial Properties, Inc.
20050399	Citigroup Inc	ABRY Partners IV, L.P	Gallarus Media Holdings, Inc
20050400	Prudential plc	ING Groep N.V	Life Insurance Company of Georgia. Life of Georgia Agency, Inc.
20050402	Alamosa Holdings, Inc	AirGate PCS, Inc	AirGate PCS, Inc.
20050403	eBay Inc	Viva Group. Inc	Viva Group. Inc
20050405	ProQuest Company	Voyager Expanded Learning, Inc	Voyager Expanded Learning, Inc.
20050410	Diageo plc	The Chalone Wine Group, Ltd	The Chalone Wine Group, Ltd.
20050415	Black Box Corporation	Norstan, Inc	Norstan, Inc.
Transactions Granted Early Termination—01/05/2005			
20041257	The Cooper Companies, Inc	Ocular Sciences, Inc	Ocular Sciences, Inc.
20050344	Patterson-UTI Eneergy, Inc	Key Energy Services, Inc	Key Energy Drilling, Beneficial, L.P. Key Energy Drilling, Inc. Key Four Corners, Inc. Key Rocky Mountain, Inc.
20050388	Ascend Media Holdings, LLC	Media/Communications Partners II Limited Partnership.	Medical World Communications, Inc.
20050390	Fritz R. Kundrun	Alpha Nautral Resources, Inc	Alpha Nautral Resources, Inc.
20050391	Hans Mende	Alpha Nautral Resources, Inc	Alpha Nautral Resources, Inc.
20050392	First Reserve Fund IX, L.P	Alpha Nautral Resources, Inc	Alpha Nautral Resources, Inc.
20050406	Affiliated Computer Services, Inc	Superior Consultant Holdings Corporation.	Superior Consultant Holdings Corporation.
20050407	Dubai Ports International FX LTD	CSX Corporation	SL Service, Inc.