

MERGER CLEARANCE FORM

This form provides a framework for supplying to the Fair Trading Commission the information required under Section 20 of the Fair Competition Act 2002-19. This form should be completed separately for each party to the proposed transaction. It is preferable that the parties submit their respective completed forms simultaneously, although they may be submitted separately. This form should only be completed after, or in conjunction with, merger Form A.

Please note that the Commission will only communicate on this matter with authorised individuals.

Applications must be submitted in typed form on A4 paper. Any material that is considered properly confidential must be clearly marked and should be included in an annexure to the main submission.

Please provide the requested information for sections 1 and 3 on the form. Information for sections 2 and 4 should be contained in appendices identified by the corresponding section number used in the form.

1.	GENERAL INFORMATION								
The party supplying this information is									
	the acquiring party		the acquired party		other party to the proposed transaction				
Nar	Name of the party to the transaction for which this information is supplied								

Address of Head Office and Principal Offices of the party

Website Address

E-mail Address					Telephone Num	ber	Fax Number	
Pay	ment	of Prescribed Fee			Official Rec	eipt for Fee Paym	ent shoul	d be issued to:
	Incl	uded in full		Will be made in full by another party to the transaction				
	rem rem	tly included, naining payment to be nitted by another party he transaction		Not included but will be remitted by the notifier				
		Cheque Wire Transfer	Date	e expected:	-			
Nai	ne of	Authorised Individua	l		Other indiv	idual who may b	e contacte	d
Titl	e				Title			
Tel	ephor	ne Number	Fax	Number	Telephone	Number	Fax Nu	mber
Ad	dress		L		Address			

General instructions for making a submission:

- Submissions must relate to the reason/s why the merger should be permitted. For a merger to be permitted the applicant only needs to satisfy one of the three tests described in section 2 below.
- The onus is on the parties to provide all relevant information. Wherever possible parties should fully substantiate their submissions with detailed evidence.
- If parties have already provided the Commission with some of the relevant information in merger Form A, they should refer to this information in the submission.
- Parties should include any additional information they believe to be relevant that is not specifically requested in the questions below.
- The Commission's Merger Guideline publication is designed to provide assistance to firms in preparing a submission and copies of the Merger Guideline can be obtained from the Commission.

2. REASONS WHY MERGER SHOULD BE PERMITTED BY THE COMMISSION							
	se indic form.		No of pages				
2.1	The	merger will not affect competition adversely or be detrimental to consumers or the economy.					
	A sı	ubmission in this category should include submissions on:					
	1.	The structure of the market, including the number and size of participants in the market, barriers to new entry and the extent of vertical integration;					
	2.	The degree of control exercised by the parties to the merger in the relevant markets;					
	3.	The availability of alternatives to the relevant goods or services provided by the parties to the merger, including details of the actual and potential level of import competition;					
	4.	The likely effect of the proposed merger on consumers and the economy;					
	5.	The actual or potential competition from other firms and the likelihood of detriment to competition;					
		having regard to these factors, the reasons why the merger will not affect competition adversely or be rimental to consumers or the economy.					
2.2	that	merger is likely to bring about gains in real efficiencies as distinct from pecuniary efficiencies are greater than or more than offset the effects of any limitation on competition that result or likely to result from the merger.					
	A sı	A submission in this category must:					
	1.	Identify and attempt to quantify all real efficiencies that are likely to result from the merger;					
	2.	monstrate that each relevant efficiency gain is unlikely to be realised by a means that would hit competition to a lesser degree than the merger					
	3.	Identify and attempt to quantify the likely effects of the limitation upon competition that is likely to result from the merger. Particular consideration should be given to:					
		• The structure of the market, including the number and size of participants in the market, barriers to new entry and the extent of vertical integration.					
		• The degree of control exercised by the parties to the merger in the relevant markets.					
		• The availability of alternatives to the relevant goods or services provided by the parties to the merger, including details of the actual and potential level of import competition.					
		• The likely effect of the proposed merger on consumers and the economy.					
		• The actual or potential competition from other firms and the likelihood of detriment to competition.					
	4.	Explain why the real efficiencies identified more than offset the effects of the limitation upon competition.					

2.3	One of the parties to the merger is faced with actual or imminent financial failure, and the merger represents the least anti-competitive among the known alternative uses for the assets of the failing business.					
	A st	ubmission in this category must:				
	1.	Identify the party to the merger that is faced with imminent financial failure and fully substantial this claim;				
	2.	Demonstrate that the proposed merger represents the least anti-competitive among the know alternative uses for the assets of the failing business; and				
	3.	Demonstrate that reasonable steps have been taken within the recent past to identify alternative purchasers for the assets of the failing business. The results of the search must be described in detail.				
3. C	CERT	TIFICATION AND SIGNATURE				
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I ______, have PRINT FULL NAME POSITION/TITLE

reviewed the matters reported in this application and appendices and certify that the information contained in these documents is complete, true and accurate.

Under Section 42 of the Fair Competition Act 2002-19 it is an offence to give false or misleading information to the Commission.

4.	OPTIONAL INFORMATION	
4.1	Any other information which the party considers relevant.	