MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT M/24/062 – MUSGRAVE/HEALY SUPERMARKETS

Section 21 of the Competition Act 2002

Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears the proposed acquisition by Musgrave Limited of sole control of Healy Supermarkets Limited.

26 November 2024

The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission has cleared the proposed transaction whereby Musgrave Limited would acquire the entire issued share capital, and thus sole control, of Healy Supermarkets Limited. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 17 October 2024.

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

Musgrave Limited is a wholesaler-franchisor which operates through franchise agreements with independently owned retail stores. Musgrave Limited, through its subsidiaries, also owns and operates a number of retail grocery stores in the State, including a number of *SuperValu*, *Centra* and *Donnybrook Fair* stores. Musgrave Limited also operates cash and carry and retail outlets in Ireland.

Healy Supermarkets Limited operates a retail grocery stored under the 'SuperValu' brand and a newsagent under the trading name 'Tara News' in Dunshauglin, Co.Meath.