



## **MERGER NOTICE NO 15: 2016**

### **THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF AN ADDITIONAL 31.8% SHARES IN CHLOR-ALKALI HOLDINGS (PTY) LTD BY ROSEWILD TRADE INVEST (PTY) LTD.**

Pursuant to section 56(1) of the Competition Act [CAP 46:09], the Competition Authority has received a merger notification for the proposed acquisition of an additional 31.8% shares in Chlor-Alkali (Pty) Ltd ("CAH") by Rosewild Invest (Pty) Ltd ("Rosewild"), leading to 81.7% shareholding.

The acquiring enterprise, Rosewild, is an investment holding company incorporated under the Laws of the Republic of South Africa. Rosewild, controls the following firms which are all incorporated under the Laws of the Republic of South Africa: Ferro South Africa (Pty) Ltd - a manufacturer and supplier of base coating materials operating within the industrial chemical sector; CJP Chemicals (Pty) Ltd - an importer, stockist and distributor of both speciality and commodity raw chemical materials; and Idwala Industrial Holdings Limited - a producer and supplier of limestone, lime and calcium carbonates as well as a broad range of industrial minerals, including pyrophyllite and magnetite.

CAH, the target enterprise, is a company incorporated under the Laws of the Republic of South Africa and is present in the Botswana market through its 50% share ownership in Botswana Ash (Pty) Ltd ("Botash"), a company incorporated under the Laws of Botswana and situated in Sua Pan. Botash is a producer of soda ash and salt. The other 50% shares in Botash are held by the Government of Botswana.

According to section 57(3), of the Competition Act, "any person, including a third party not a party to the proposed merger, may voluntarily submit to the inspector or the Authority any document, affidavit, statement or other relevant information in respect of a proposed merger".

The Competition Authority therefore seeks any stakeholder views for or against the proposed merger, which may be sent within 10 days from date of this publication to the following address:

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