

HSR Pre-Merger Reporting Threshold Increased to \$68.2 Million

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The thresholds for the premerger reporting of proposed acquisitions to United States antitrust authorities under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvement Act of 1976, as amended (the "HSR Act"), will be increased effective February 27, 2012. Pursuant to amendments to the Act adopted in 2000, the HSR thresholds are adjusted annually, based on the change in gross national product. The minimum size-of-transaction threshold will be \$68.2 million.