

Norwegian Competition Authority considers to temporarily prohibiting the implementation of the cooperation agreement between ICA and Norgesgruppen

Today, the Norwegian Competition Authority issued a notification in which it was stated that the Norwegian Competition Authority is considering prohibiting the implementation of the cooperation agreement between ICA and Norgesgruppen.

This is just a notification and not a formal decision that right now poses an obstacle to the ongoing implementation.

ICA's view is, and has been, that the cooperation agreement with Norgesgruppen is in compliance with relevant competition legislation.

ICA has until March 8, 2013, to respond to the notification.

The information herein is such that Hakon Invest AB must disclose pursuant to the Swedish Securities Market Act and/or the Swedish Financial Instruments Trading Act. The information was submitted for publication at 13.00 CET on Tuesday, 26 February 2013.

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