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The following are recent examples of work both with McGuireWoods and previous law firms, in EU and UK Merger Control, General Competition Law, State Aid, Trade and Public Procurement.

Merger Control

- Acquisition by Tetra Laval group of assets of Carlisle Process Systems (phase one UK clearance subject to a licence remedy).
- Public bid by Manitowoc for Enodis (phase one EU clearance subject to a remedy).
- Acquisition by INEOS of production assets from BASF located at Seal Sands, Teesside, UK (phase one EU clearance).
- Joint venture between Terra Industries and Kemira Growhow relating to their UK fertiliser and process chemicals businesses (phase two UK clearance subject to a remedy).
- Public bid by Metso for Svedala (phase two EU clearance subject to a remedy).
- Private equity house Bain Capital in relation to its acquisition of D&M Holdings (phase one EU clearance).
- P&O Ferries on the proposed merger of part of its Irish Sea business with Stena AB (first phase two UK investigation under the Enterprise Act).
- Petrochemical Industries Company K.S.C. (PIC) on various petrochemical joint ventures between PIC and Dow Chemical Company in Kuwait, Europe and the US (phase one EU clearances).
- Case in its merger with New Holland (phase one EU clearance subject to a remedy).
- Healthcare at Home in a joint venture with Quintiles Transnational Corp. (phase one German clearance).
- Intervention by INEOS in the EU phase two procedures concerning the BP/E.ON and Shell/DEA ethylene joint ventures. Subsequent appeals to the EU General Court.

General Competition Law Including Cartels

- Advised a large industrial gas purchaser in relation to the competition and regulatory issues raised by its EU-wide gas purchasing arrangements, including a potential complaint to the European Commission.
- Advised an EU-based importer of DVD players on the Article 101 and 102 TFEU issues raised by a licensing dispute with a patent holder and patent pool.
- Advised a leading packaging company in relation to an R&D and manufacturing arrangement for a new product and Article 102 TFEU issues generally.
- Advised a ferry company, a removal company and an insurance group concerning European Commission investigations into alleged anti-competitive (cartel) practices (including attendance at “dawn raids”, liability and leniency/immunity issues and the on-going conduct of the investigations).
- Advised a Finnish company in relation to a proposed joint venture with a competitor in the field of tissue paper machinery manufacture.
- Advised in relation to the general competition law issues arising out of a combustion turbine joint venture entered into by a Japanese trading company with its competitors.
- Advised a Greek energy company in relation to various issues relating to its proposals for joint ventures/arrangements.
- Advised a US medical products company concerning parallel imports within the EU.
- Advised a number of companies in relation to distribution, franchising, licensing and similar agreements in the EU.
- Prepared competition law compliance programmes in relation to a range of sectors and providing related training.

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State Aid

- Advised in relation to the grounds for a potential complaint to the European Commission by a US media company concerning a French competitor.
- Advised First Base, INEOS, National Express and Connect Plus in relation to various UK land development and other projects.
- Acted on an appeal to the EU General Court by P&O in relation to a European Commission decision concerning aid granted to its competitor Brittany Ferries by French Government bodies.
- Acted on an appeal to the EU General Court by Olympic Airways in relation to a Commission decision concerning aid allegedly granted to it by the Greek Government.
- Advised a group of private sector financial investors on issues arising from an investment of private funds in excess of £2.5 billion in connection with the London Underground part-privatisation.
- Advised various parties in relation to issues arising out of the UK Government's bank bail-outs.
- Advised Partnerships UK in relation to the development of the British Waterways estate.

Trade

- Advised UC RUSAL in relation to an investigation by the EU which confirmed that it operates in a market economy.
- Advised in relation to an anti-dumping case involving steel rods.

Public Procurement

- Advised various parties in relation to UK litigation concerning procurement procedures.
- Advised a large gaming company in relation to complaints to the European Commission concerning procurement procedures in which it was involved.
- Advised Crossrail in relation to the development of the proposed new cross-London rail link.
- Advised The Berkeley Group in relation to various development projects in the UK.
- Advised Transport for London in relation to the proposed Thames Gateway Bridge project.
- Advised Waste Recycling Group in relation to its procurement procedures.
- Advised Connect Plus (M25 DBFO) in relation to the procurement issues raised by the M25 (London orbital motorway) extension project.
- Advised the funders of the Metronet consortium in relation to the part-privatisation of the London Underground system.