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**II. What Action is the Agency Taking?**

This action announces the availability of EPA's response to the petition. The public may access both the petition and EPA's response as described in Unit I.B.

**List of Subjects**

Environmental protection, Animal welfare, Toxic substances, Voluntary High Production Volume Challenge Program.

Dated: July 15, 2005.

**Susan B. Hazen,**

*Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.*

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**FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION**

**Granting of Request for Early Termination of the Waiting Period Under the Premerger Notification rules**

Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. 18a, as added by Title II of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requires persons contemplating certain mergers or acquisitions to give the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General advance notice and to wait designated periods before consummation of such plans. Section 7A(b)(2) of the Act permits the agencies, in individual cases, to terminate this waiting period prior to its expiration and require that notice of this action be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following transactions were granted early termination of the waiting period provided by law and the premerger notification rules. The grants were made by the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice. Neither agency intends to take any action with respect to these proposed acquisitions during the applicable waiting period.

| Trans No.  | Acquiring                                  | Acquired                                 | Entities                               |
|--|--|--|--|
| <b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—06/20/2005</b> |  |  |  |
| 20051097 .....   | Jolly Roger Offshore Fund Ltd .....        | Walters Industries Inc. ....             | Walters Industries, Inc.               |
| 20051131 .....   | Municipal Mortgage & Equity, LLC .....     | Kevin P. Filter .....                    | Glaser Financial Group, Inc.           |
| 20051133 .....   | Municipal Mortgage & Equity, LLC .....     | David A. Williams .....                  | Glaser Financial Group, Inc.           |
| 20051138 .....   | Rocca & Partners, S.A. ....                | Alfa S.A. de C.V. ....                   | Hylsamex S.A. de C.V.                  |
| 20051142 .....   | CIT Group Inc. ....                        | U.S. Bancorp .....                       | Joseph Leasing LTD.                    |
| 20051143 .....   | Dr. Ernst Volgenau .....                   | Dr. James Yoh and Dr. H. Julie Yoh ..... | Galaxy Scientific Corporation.         |
| 20051146 .....   | General Atlantic Partner 79, L.P .....     | Vedior NV .....                          | TriNet Group, Inc.                     |
| 20051155 .....   | ValueClick, Inc. ....                      | Web Marketing Holdings, Inc .....        | Web Marketing Holdings, Inc.           |
| <b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—06/21/2005</b> |  |  |  |
| 20051147 .....   | Snyder Associated Companies, Inc .....     | Superior Well Services, Ltd .....        | Superior Well Services, Ltd.           |
| 20051150 .....   | k1 Ventures Ltd. ....                      | Helm Holding Corporation .....           | Helm Holding Corporation.              |
| <b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—06/22/2005</b> |  |  |  |
| 20051103 .....   | Unifinter Pensioen B.V. ....               | Royal Dutch Petroleum Company .....      | InterGen N.V.                          |
| 20051140 .....   | Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation. | Mirant Corporation .....                 | Wrightsville Development Funding, LLC. |
| 20051144 .....   | Triarc Companies, Inc. ....                | RTM Restaurant Group, Inc .....          | Wrightsville Power Facility, LLC.      |
| 20051145 .....   | Triarc Companies, Inc. ....                | RTM Management Company, L.L.C .....      | RTM Restaurant Group, Inc.             |
|  |  |  | RTM Management Company, L.L.C.         |
| <b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—06/23/2005</b> |  |  |  |
| 20050728 .....   | BAE Systems plc .....                      | United Defense Industries, Inc .....     | United Defense Industries, Inc.        |
| 20051151 .....   | Russell V. Umphenour, Jr .....             | Triarc Companies, Inc. ....              | Triarc Companies, Inc.                 |
| <b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—06/24/2005</b> |  |  |  |
| 20051054 .....   | Yell Group PLC .....                       | TransWestern Holdings, L.P .....         | TransWestern Holdings, L.P.            |
| 20051092 .....   | TEPPCO Partners, L.P. ....                 | Texas Genco LLC .....                    | TG Pipeline, L.P.                      |
| 20051094 .....   | KRG Capital Fund II, L.P .....             | Jeffrey Clark .....                      | SuperFloors, Inc.                      |
|  |  |  | SuperFloors of Arizona, Inc.           |

| Trans No.      | Acquiring                                    | Acquired                                    | Entities   |
|----------------|--|---|--|
| 20051105 ..... | Cinergy Corp. ....                           | Allegheny Energy, Inc. ....                 | Allegheny Energy Supply Company, LLC.<br>Allegheny Energy Supply Wheatland Generating Facility, LLC.<br>Lake Acquisition Company, L.L.C. |
| 20051112 ..... | Wolseley plc .....                           | Kenneth D. Black .....                      | General Building Systems, Inc.<br>Johnson-Manley-Black Limited Liability Company.<br>KB Framers, LLC.<br>K&K Door & Trim, LLC.           |
| 20051156 ..... | Wachovia Corporation .....                   | George J. Budig .....                       | George E. Fern Co.   |
| 20051157 ..... | Wachovia Corporation .....                   | Otto M. Budig, Jr. ....                     | George E. Fern Co.   |
| 20051159 ..... | Schwarz Pharma AG .....                      | Aderis Pharmaceuticals, Inc .....           | Aderis Pharmaceuticals, Inc.   |
| 20051173 ..... | Macquarie Infrastructure Company Trust ..... | Gene H. Yamagata .....                      | Eagle Aviation Resources, Ltd.   |
| 20051179 ..... | American Capital Strategies, Ltd .....       | Barclays PLC .....                          | Fosbel Holdings Ltd.   |
| 20051180 ..... | J.P. Morgan Chase & Co .....                 | VS&A Communications Partners III, L.P ..... | Hanley-Wood, LLC.  |
| 20051182 ..... | Quest Software, Inc. ....                    | Ray Noorda and Tye Noorda .....             | Vintela, Inc.  |
| 20051183 ..... | The Stride Rite Corporation .....            | Saucony, Inc. ....                          | Saucony, Inc.  |
| 20051188 ..... | Citrix Systems, Inc. ....                    | NetScaler, Inc. ....                        | NetScaler, Inc.  |
| 20051189 ..... | Nautilus, Inc. ....                          | DashAmerica, Inc. ....                      | DashAmerica, Inc.  |
| 20051191 ..... | RHJ International S.A. ....                  | Boston Acoustics, Inc. ....                 | Boston Acoustics, Inc.   |

**TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—06/27/2005**

|                |                                    |                                |                               |
|----------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 20051058 ..... | Meredith Corporation .....         | Mr. Reinhard Mohn .....        | Gruner + Jahr USA Group, Inc. |
| 20051065 ..... | ACE Aviation Holdings, Inc .....   | US Airways Group, Inc. ....    | US Airways Group, Inc.        |
| 20051067 ..... | PAR Investment Partners, L.P ..... | US Airways Group, Inc. ....    | US Airways Group, Inc.        |
| 20051149 ..... | Sun Healthcare Group, Inc .....    | Peak Medical Corporation ..... | Peak Medical Corporation.     |
| 20051161 ..... | MVC Capital Inc. ....              | General Electric Company ..... | Datix-Ohmeda, Inc.            |

**TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—06/28/2005**

|                |                                  |  |                        |
|----------------|----------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| 20050956 ..... | Siemens Aktiengesellschaft ..... | High Voltage Engineering Corporation ... | Robicon Corporation.   |
| 20051127 ..... | Actavis Group hf. ....           | Sumitira Patel .....                     | Amide Holdings, Inc.   |
| 20051128 ..... | J.P. Morgan Chase & Co .....     | Nuallt Enterprises Inc. ....             | Aluma Systems USA Inc. |
| 20051134 ..... | Medtronic, Inc. ....             | Transneurionix, Inc. ....                | Transneurionix, Inc.   |
| 20051136 ..... | Pfizer Inc. ....                 | Renovis, Inc. ....                       | Renovis, Inc.          |

**TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—06/29/2005**

|                |   |                          |   |
|----------------|---|--------------------------|---|
| 20051178 ..... | J. W. Childs Equity Partners III, L.P ..... | Harry M. Grunstein ..... | Cornerstone Health Management Company.<br>Summit Hospital of Southeast Arizona, Inc.<br>Summit Hospital of Southwest Louisiana, Inc.<br>Summit Institute for Pulmonary Medicine and Rehabilitation.<br>Summit Institute of Austin, Inc.<br>Summit Medical Holdings, Ltd.<br>Summit Medical Management, Inc. |
|----------------|---|--------------------------|---|

**TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—06/30/2005**

|                |                           |                         |  |
|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| 20050929 ..... | Fortune Brands, Inc. .... | Allied Domecq PLC ..... | Allied Domecq PLC.<br>Allied Domecq Spirits and Wine Holdings PLC.<br>Allied Domecq Wines.<br>Courvoisier S.A.S.<br>Harveys of Bristol Ltd.<br>Hiram Walker & Sons Limited.<br>Teacher Distillers Overseas Ltd.<br>Wine Alliance, Inc. |
| 20050930 ..... | Pernod Ricard S.A. ....   | Allied Domecq PLC ..... | Allied Domecq PLC.   |

**TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—07/01/2005**

|                |  |   |  |
|----------------|--|---|--|
| 20051110 ..... | Deutsche Lufthansa AG .....                | Swiss International Airlines, Ltd ..... | Swiss International Airlines, Ltd.                                   |
| 20051186 ..... | Stonebridge Partners Equity Fund III, L.P. | Dorbyl Limited .....                    | Alpine Holdings Inc.   |
| 20051199 ..... | Fisher Scientific International Inc .....  | McKesson Corporation .....              | Dorbyl U.K. (Holdings) Limited.<br>McKesson BioServices Corporation. |
| 20051204 ..... | GlaxoSmithKline plc .....                  | Vitae Pharmaceuticals, Inc .....        | Vitae Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  |
| 20051206 ..... | Clarity Partners, LP .....                 | Brent Naylor .....                      | Naylor Publications, Inc.  |

| Trans No.  | Acquiring                                      | Acquired  | Entities   |
|--|--|---|--|
| 20051207 .....   | 2003 Riverside Capital Appreciation Fund, L.P. | Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company.    | VeriText LLC.  |
| 20051212 .....   | Linsalata Capital Partners Fund V, L.P ..      | Monte and Usha Ahuja .....                      | Transtar Autobody Technologies, Inc.<br>Transtar Industries, Inc.              |
| 20051213 .....   | Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe X, L.P.        | DLJ Real Estate Capital Partners II, L.P        | Ozburn-Hessey Holding Company, LLC.  |
| 20051214 .....   | TPV Technology Limited .....                   | Beijing Orient Top Victory Electronics Co. Ltd. | Beijing Orient Top Victory Electronic Co. Ltd.                                 |
| 20051215 .....   | HSBC Holdings plc .....                        | Tim Grumbacher .....                            | The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc.   |
| 20051219 .....   | Bain Capital Fund VIII, L.P .....              | School Speciality, Inc. ....                    | School Speciality, Inc.  |
| <b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—07/05/2005</b> |  |   |  |
| 20051167 .....   | HSBC Holdings plc .....                        | The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc .....              | Bergdorf Goodman, Inc.<br>Neiman Marcus Funding Corporation.                   |
| <b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—07/06/2005</b> |  |   |  |
| 20051101 .....   | GSCP Athena (LUX) S.a.R.L .....                | Pirelli & C. S.p.A. ....                        | Pirelli Cavi e Sistemi Telecom S.p.A.<br>Pirelli Cavi e Sistemi Energia S.p.A. |
| 20051187 .....   | NBTY, Inc. ....                                | Wyeth .....                                     | Solgar Vitamin & Herb.   |
| 20051198 .....   | DLJ Merchant Banking Partners III, L.P         | Wastequip, Inc. ....                            | Wastequip, Inc.  |
| 20051211 .....   | Palladium Equity Partners III, L.P .....       | JP Acquisition Fund III, L.P .....              | TB Corp.   |
| 20051221 .....   | Cephalon, Inc. ....                            | Cell Therapeutics, Inc. ....                    | CTI Technologies, Inc.   |
| 20051222 .....   | Young's Holdings, Inc. ....                    | Pernod Ricard S.A. ....                         | PolaRx Biopharmaceuticals, Inc.  |
| 20051223 .....   | ABRY Partners V, L.P. ....                     | Providence Equity Partners IV L.P .....         | Pernod Ricard USA LLC.<br>F&W Acquisition, Inc.                                |
| <b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—07/07/2005</b> |  |   |  |
| 20051093 .....   | Amedisys, Inc. ....                            | Allied Capital Corporation .....                | HMR Acquisition, Inc.<br>Housecall Medical Resources, Inc.                     |
| <b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—07/08/2005</b> |  |   |  |
| 20051176 .....   | Daiichi Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd .....          | Sankyo Company, Limited .....                   | Sankyo Company, Limited.   |
| 20051177 .....   | Sankyo Company, Limited .....                  | Daiichi Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd .....           | Daiichi Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.   |

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By Direction of the Commission.

**Donald S. Clark,**  
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**FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION**

[File No. 051 0106]

**Novartis AG; Analysis of Agreement  
Containing Consent Order To Aid  
Public Comment**

**AGENCY:** Federal Trade Commission  
(FTC).

**ACTION:** Proposed consent agreement.

**SUMMARY:** The consent agreement in this  
matter settles alleged violations of  
Federal law prohibiting unfair or  
deceptive acts or practices or unfair  
methods of competition. The attached  
Analysis to Aid Public Comment

describes both the allegations in the  
draft complaint and the terms of the  
consent order—embodied in the consent  
agreement—that would settle these  
allegations.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on  
or before August 18, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties are  
invited to submit written comments.  
Comments should refer to “Novartis AG,  
File No. 051 0106,” to facilitate the  
organization of comments. A comment  
filed in paper form should include this  
reference both in the text and on the  
envelope, and should be mailed or  
delivered to the following address:  
Federal Trade Commission/Office of the  
Secretary, Room 135-H, 600  
Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.,  
Washington, DC 20580. Comments  
containing confidential material must be  
filed in paper form, must be clearly  
labeled “Confidential,” and must  
comply with Commission Rule 4.9(c).  
16 CFR 4.9(c) (2005).<sup>1</sup> The FTC is

<sup>1</sup> The comment must be accompanied by an  
explicit request for confidential treatment,  
including the factual and legal basis for the request,  
and must identify the specific portions of the  
comment to be withheld from the public record.

requesting that any comment filed in  
paper form be sent by courier or  
overnight service, if possible, because  
U.S. postal mail in the Washington area  
and at the Commission is subject to  
delay due to heightened security  
precautions. Comments that do not  
contain any nonpublic information may  
instead be filed in electronic form as  
part of or as an attachment to e-mail  
messages directed to the following e-  
mail box: [consentagreement@ftc.gov](mailto:consentagreement@ftc.gov).

The FTC Act and other laws the  
Commission administers permit the  
collection of public comments to  
consider and use in this proceeding as  
appropriate. All timely and responsive  
public comments, whether filed in  
paper or electronic form, will be  
considered by the Commission, and will  
be available to the public on the FTC  
Web site, to the extent practicable, at  
<http://www.ftc.gov>. As a matter of  
discretion, the FTC makes every effort to  
remove home contact information for  
individuals from the public comments it  
receives before placing those comments

The request will be granted or denied by the  
Commission's General Counsel, consistent with  
applicable law and the public interest. See  
Commission Rule 4.9(c), 16 CFR 4.9(c).