

COMPETITION TRIBUNAL OF SOUTH AFRICA

Case No.: OTH210Feb15

In the matter between:

Caxton and CTP Publishers and Printers Ltd

Capital Newspapers (Pty) Ltd

First Applicant Second Applicant

and

The Natal Witness Printing and Publishing Company (Pty) Ltd Media 24 (Pty) Ltd Paarl Coldset (Pty) Ltd Mandla-Matla Publishing (Pty) Ltd The Competition Commission First Respondent

Second Respondent Third Respondent Fourth Respondent Fifth Respondent

Panel

Norman Manoim

(Presiding Member)

Andreas Wessels Medi Mokuena

(Tribunal Member) (Tribunal Member)

Heard on

27 July 2015

Decided on :

27 July 2015

ORDER

Following the hearing on 27 July 2015, The Competition Tribunal orders as follows:

- 1. The matter is postponed sine die;
- 2. The Competition Commission ("Commission") is given until 30 November 2015 to investigate whether the transaction *in casu* constitutes a merger;

- 3. On or before 30 November 2015, the Commission must give notice to all parties in these proceedings as to whether the transaction constitutes a merger or not;
 - 3.1 Should the Commission conclude that the transaction constitutes a merger, it should advise all parties of any further procedural steps it will take;
 - 3.2 Should the Commission conclude that the transaction does not constitute a merger, the applicants may approach the Registrar of the Competition Tribunal to have this matter set down for hearing on the same papers upon which the matter was initially brought. Parties will be afforded the opportunity to supplement their papers should the need arise.

4. There are no orders as to costs.

Norman Manoim

Concurring: Andreas Wessels and Medi Mokuena