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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

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Thomas McGrath
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Re: *In the Matter of Linde AG, Praxair, Inc., and Linde PLC*, Docket No. C-4660.

Dear Mr. McGrath:

This is in reference to the petition for the approval of the proposed divestiture of certain assets filed by Linde AG, Praxair, Inc., and Linde PLC (collectively “Linde”) and received on November 9, 2018 (“Petition”). Pursuant to the Decision and Order in Docket No. C-4660, Linde requests prior Commission approval of its proposal to divest certain gases assets to Messer Industries GmbH (“Messer”).

After consideration of Linde’s Petition and other available information, the Commission has determined to approve the proposed divestiture as set forth in the Petition. In according its approval, the Commission has relied upon the information submitted and the representations made by Linde and Messer in connection with the Petition and has assumed them to be accurate and complete.

By direction of the Commission, Commissioner Chopra abstaining.

April J. Tabor
Acting Secretary

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