



**IN THE COMPETITION  
APPEAL TRIBUNAL**

Case No: 1204/4/8/13

**B E T W E E N**

**AKZO NOBEL N.V.**

Applicant

-v-

**COMPETITION COMMISSION**

Respondent

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**ORDER**

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**UPON** reading the Notice of Application lodged by the Applicant under rules 8 and 25 of the Competition Appeal Tribunal Rules 2003 (S.I. No. 1372 of 2003) (the “Tribunal Rules”) on 17 January 2013

**AND UPON** reading the request for permission to intervene in support of the Respondent filed by Metlac Holding S.r.L. and Metlac S.p.A. (together the “Proposed Interveners”) under rules 16 and 25 of the Tribunal Rules on 22 January 2013

**AND UPON** reading the written observations of the parties and of the Proposed Interveners filed on 28 January 2013

**AND UPON** hearing the legal representatives of the parties and of the Proposed Interveners at a first Case Management Conference held on 29 January 2013

**AND HAVING REGARD TO** the terms of the Order made on 30 January 2013 in these proceedings establishing a confidentiality ring

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. Pursuant to rules 18 and 25 of the Tribunal Rules the proceedings be treated as proceedings in England and Wales
2. Pursuant to rules 16(6) and 25 of the Tribunal Rules the Proposed Interveners be given permission to intervene

3. Pursuant to rule 7(b) of the Tribunal Rules Mr Mario Siragusa (Avvocato and member of the Rome Bar) be given permission to appear for the Proposed Interveners, provided that he is, at all times, instructed together with an advocate, barrister or solicitor entitled to appear before the Tribunal pursuant rule 7(a) of the Tribunal Rules
4. The Applicant file and serve an Amended Notice of Application, if so advised, by no later than 4pm on 13 February 2013
5. The Respondent file and serve its Defence by no later than 4pm on 27 February 2013
6. The Proposed Interveners file and serve a skeleton argument, in lieu of a statement of intervention, by no later than 4pm on 6 March 2013
7. The Applicant file and serve a skeleton argument by no later than 4pm on 20 March 2013
8. The Respondent file and serve a skeleton argument by no later than 4pm on 5 April 2013
9. By no later than 4pm on 10 April 2013:
  - a. the Proposed Interveners file and serve a supplementary skeleton argument, if so advised; and
  - b. the Applicant file six copies of an agreed bundle of documents to serve as the core bundle for the main hearing, together with six copies an agreed joint bundle of authorities to be referred to at the main hearing with key sections flagged for reference
10. By no later than 4pm on 15 April 2013 the parties provide an outline timetable for oral submissions at the hearing
11. A hearing be listed for 10.30am on 18 April 2013 with a time estimate of two days

**The Honourable Mr Justice Norris**  
Chairman of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Made: 30 January 2013  
Drawn: 30 January 2013