



HSR THRESHOLDS ADJUSTED

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Acquisitions satisfying certain jurisdictional thresholds must be reported to the United States Department of Justice and the United States Federal Trade Commission under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act ("HSR"). The thresholds were significantly revised in 2001 and, since 2005, are adjusted annually. These latest adjustments, summarized in the below chart, are effective February 21, 2007.

The minimum size-of-transaction threshold has increased, from \$56.7 to \$59.8 million. (This is almost a \$10 million increase from the 2001 level.) Thus, an acquisition may only potentially trigger HSR compliance if, as a result of the acquisition, the acquiring person would hold assets, voting securities and/or non-corporate interests of the acquired person valued in excess of \$59.8 million.

The 2007 adjustments to the basic HSR thresholds are:

Threshold	2001	2006	2007
	Threshold	Threshold	Threshold
			(Effective
			February 21, 2007)
Minimum Size-of- Transaction	\$50 million	\$56.7 million	\$59.8 million

 Mills, James Muyskens, Nathan Nagle, Mark Portnoy, Mitchell Rinehart, Stephen Salyers, Douglas Sauntry, June Ann Schlesinger, Mark Seabolt, Robert Seikaly, Daniel 	Minimum Size-of- Transaction (above which the Size-of- Person test does not apply)	\$200 million	\$226.8 million	\$239.2 million
 Sheehan, David Sikora, Clifford Sommer, Christine Stein, Alvin Troy, Anthony Vaughan, Sara Ann 	Size-of- Person (applicable to transactions valued at \$239.2 million or less)	Person 1: \$10 million Person 2: \$100 million	\$11.3 million \$113.4 million	\$12.0 million \$119.6 million

Adjustments also have been made to the thresholds for calculating the applicable HSR filing fees:

Transaction Size Threshold	HSR Filing Fee (Effective February 21, 2007)
Less than \$119.6 million	\$45,000
\$119.6 million or more, but less than \$597.9 million	\$125,000
\$597.9 million or more	\$280,000

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