

# MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT M/26/032 – CARDINAL CAPITAL/AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER

## Section 21 of the Competition Act 2002

### Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears proposed acquisition whereby Cardinal Ireland Partners Fund III SCSp would acquire indirect joint control of Automatic Sprinkler Company (Ireland) Limited

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The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission has cleared the proposed transaction whereby Cardinal Ireland Partners Fund III SCSp, through its wholly owned subsidiary CIP HoldCo III S.à.r.l., would acquire indirect joint control of Automatic Sprinkler Company (Ireland) Limited. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 6 May 2026.

The Commission has formed the view that the proposed transaction will not substantially lessen competition in any market for goods or services in the State. The Commission will publish the reasons for its determination on its website no later than 60 working days after the date of the determination and after allowing the parties the opportunity to request that confidential information be removed from the published version.

#### **Additional Information**

CIP HoldCo III S.à r.l. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Cardinal Ireland Partners Fund III SCSp, which is managed by Cardinal Capital Group UC. In the State, the Cardinal Ireland Partners Fund invests in SMEs operating across a range of sectors, including healthcare, financial services, technology, business services and food and beverage.

Automatic Sprinkler Company (Ireland) Limited is an Irish provider of fire protection services to a variety of industries. It is active in the State in the design, installation and maintenance of fire protection, detection and suppression systems, including sprinkler systems, gaseous suppression systems and associated electrical fire detection solutions.