



# Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024

## 2024 CHAPTER 13

### PART 1

#### DIGITAL MARKETS

#### CHAPTER 4

##### PRO-COMPETITION INTERVENTIONS

### 56 Commitments

- (1) The CMA may accept an appropriate commitment from a designated undertaking as to its conduct in respect of an adverse effect on competition or a detrimental effect on UK users or UK customers that the CMA considers has resulted, or may be expected to result, from an adverse effect on competition.
- (2) A commitment is appropriate where the CMA considers that compliance with the commitment by the undertaking would contribute to or otherwise be of use in remedying, mitigating or preventing—
  - (a) the adverse effect on competition, or
  - (b) the detrimental effect on UK users or UK customers.
- (3) Following the acceptance of a commitment by the CMA as to the conduct of an undertaking—
  - (a) the undertaking that gave the commitment must comply with it at all times when it is in force, and
  - (b) so far as relating to the conduct, the CMA may give a notice to the undertaking—
    - (i) ending a PCI investigation (if it has begun one) without making a PCI decision, or

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- (ii) changing the scope of a PCI investigation.
- (4) As soon as reasonably practicable after giving a notice under [subsection \(3\)\(b\)](#), the CMA must publish a statement summarising the contents of the notice.
- (5) The acceptance of a commitment does not prevent—
  - (a) a PCI investigation from continuing so far as it relates to conduct other than that to which the commitment relates, or
  - (b) the CMA beginning a new PCI investigation in relation to the conduct to which the commitment relates where it has reasonable grounds—
    - (i) to believe that there has been a material change of circumstances since the commitment was accepted,
    - (ii) to suspect that the undertaking has not complied with one or more of the terms of the commitment, or
    - (iii) to suspect that information which led it to accept the commitment was incomplete, false or misleading in a material particular.
- (6) A commitment under [this section](#) comes into force when a notice of its acceptance is published by the CMA.
- (7) A commitment under this section ceases to have effect—
  - (a) subject to provision made in reliance on [section 17](#) (existing obligations)—
    - (i) in accordance with any terms of the commitment about when it is to cease to have effect, or
    - (ii) when the designation to which the commitment relates ceases to have effect, or
  - (b) when the undertaking is released from the requirement to comply with the commitment.
- (8) The following provisions apply in relation to commitments under [this section](#) as they apply in relation to commitments under [section 36](#)—
  - (a) [subsections \(7\) to \(10\)](#) of [section 36](#);
  - (b) [section 37](#).