

PUBLIC NOTICE

Full investigation of M/06/087 - Applied Materials Inc/Brooks Software

The Competition Authority has determined to carry out a full investigation under Section 22 of the Competition Act 2002 in respect of Notification M/06/087 – the proposal by Applied Materials Inc to acquire certain of the assets and businesses of Brooks Automation Inc.

Interested parties are invited to make submissions no later than 5:00pm on Wednesday 10th January 2007. Parties making submissions should indicate clearly what, if any, of the material submitted contains business secrets. Submissions should be marked "M/06/087 Applied Materials Inc/Brooks Software" and should be addressed to Brendan O'Connor, C/o Mergers Division, The Competition Authority, Parnell House, 14 Parnell Square, Dublin 1 or sent by e-mail to boc@tca.ie

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