



COMPETITION TRIBUNAL OF SOUTH AFRICA

Case No.: LM057Jul25

In the matter between:

Malan and Buys (Pty) Ltd

Primary Acquiring Firm

And

Aptekor Sneldiens (Pty) Ltd and Aptekor Wholesale
(Pty) Ltd

Primary Target Firms

Panel:	AW Wessels (Presiding Member) A Ndoni (Tribunal Member) G Budlender (Tribunal Member)
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Heard on:	14 October 2025
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Last date of submission:	16 October 2025
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Decided on:	21 October 2025
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ORDER

Further to the recommendation of the Competition Commission in terms of section 14A(1)(b) of the Competition Act, 1998 ("the Act") the Competition Tribunal orders that—

1. the merger between the abovementioned parties be approved in terms of section 16(2)(a) of the Act; and
2. a Merger Clearance Certificate be issued in terms of Competition Tribunal Rule 35(5)(a).

Presiding Member
Mr Andreas Wessels

21 October 2025

Date

Concurring: Ms Andiswa Ndoni and Adv. Geoff Budlender SC

Merger Clearance Certificate

Date : 21 October 2025

To : LHC Advisory

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Notice CT 10

About this Notice

This notice is issued in terms of section 16 of the Competition Act.

You may appeal against this decision to the Competition Appeal Court within 20 business days.

You applied to the Competition Commission on **11 July 2025** for merger approval in accordance with Chapter 3 of the Competition Act.

Your merger was referred to the Competition Tribunal in terms of section 14A of the Act or was the subject of a Request for consideration by the Tribunal in terms of section 16(1) of the Act.

After reviewing all relevant information, and the recommendation or decision of the Competition Commission, the Competition Tribunal approves the merger in terms of section 16(2) of the Act, for the reasons set out in the Reasons for Decision.

This approval is subject to:

☒ no conditions.

☐ the conditions listed on the attached sheet.

The Competition Tribunal has the authority in terms of section 16(3) of the Competition Act to revoke this approval if

- a) it was granted on the basis of incorrect information for which a party to the merger was responsible.
- b) the approval was obtained by deceit.
- c) a firm concerned has breached an obligation attached to this approval.

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