

ADMISSION FOR PROCESSING OF THE APPLICATION FOR AUTHORISATION OF THE COMPETING TAKEOVER BID FOR APPLUS SERVICES, S.A. SUBMITTED BY AMBER EQUITYCO, S.L.U. (I SQUARED AND TDR INVESTMENT VEHICLE)

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On 16 February 2024, the Spanish National Securities Market Commission adopted the following resolution:

"Admission, pursuant to the provisions of Article 17 of Spanish Royal Decree 1066/2007, of 27 July, on takeover bids, for processing of the application for authorisation submitted on 14 September 2023 by Amber EquityCo, S.L.U. to launch a voluntary takeover bid for 100% of the shares of Applus Services, S.A., competing with the bid submitted by Manzana Spain BidCo, S.L.U. which was authorised on 17 January 2024, on the basis that the prospectus and the other documents submitted, following the amendments of its terms and conditions registered on 9 February 2024, the supplementary documentation registered on 27 September 2023, 26 January 2024 and 12 February 2024, and the update registered on 14 February 2024, comply with the provisions of said article.

The admission for processing of the aforementioned application does not imply any type of pronouncement on the decision concerning the authorisation of the takeover bid, or any of its terms and conditions, which shall be issued within the time limits and in accordance with the other requirements set forth in Articles 21 and 41 of the above-mentioned regulation."

The above paragraphs are a translation of the original resolution in Spanish for information purposes only.