

The Year in Review

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Chairman's Initiatives

Y Merger Process Reform

Y Horizontal Merger GuidelinesCommentary



Mergers I

Novartis AG/Eon Labs and TevaPharmaceuticals Industries Ltd/IVAX Corp.

Ÿ Procter & Gamble Co./Gillette Co.

ÿ DaVita Inc./Gambro Healthcare Inc.

Ÿ Allergan Inc./Inamed Corp.





- Y Chicago Bridge & Iron Commission Opinion
- Ÿ Arch Coal Administrative Complaint dismissed
- **Ÿ** Blockbuster Inc./Hollywood Entertainment Corp.
- Ÿ Occidental Chemical Corp./Vulcan Materials Co.



Mergers III

- Ÿ Studies mandated by Congress
 - > Ethanol Industry
 - > Gasoline Price Manipulation
- Y Valero L.P/Kaneb Services LLC
- Y Chevron Texaco Corp./Unocal



Mergers IV

- Ÿ Evanston Northwestern Hospital/HighlandPark Hospital
- Ÿ Harrah's Entertainment, Inc./CaesarsEntertainment, Inc.
- ÿ Federated Department Stores/May Department Store
- Ÿ Comcast/Time-Warner Cable/Adelphia Communications



Anticompetitive Practices

PolyGram Holding, Inc. (Three Tenors) – DCCircuit opinion

Y Kentucky Household Goods CarriersAssociation, Inc. – Commission Opinion

Y Union Oil of California



Healthcare Products and Services

- Warner Chilcott (Galen)/Barr Laboratories –
 Complaint seeking permanent injunction filed in DC
 District Court
- Ÿ Schering-Plough Corp. Cert. Petition
- Y Suburban Health Organization Staff Advisory Opinion Letter
- Y Fresenius AG/Renal Care Group, Inc.
- ŸMore physician cases



Premerger Notification

ŸMerger Process Reform

- **Ÿ** Formal Rule Changes
 - > Use of Internet Links
 - > Economic Data provided by 2002 NAICS
- **Ÿ** Electronic Filing should be available soon



Compliance

Ÿ Scott R. Sacane/Durus Life Sciences Fund

Y Alpharma, Inc./Perrigo Co. – distribution of disgorged funds



International Division

Ÿ ICN and OECD

Ÿ Technical Assistance

- **Ÿ** Bilateral Cooperation during investigations
 - > Procter & Gamble Co./Gillette Co.
 - > Johnson & Johnson/Guidant Corp.



Regional Offices