## Pronouncement of the Final Decision in the Investigation Conducted concerning 6 Companies Operating in the Aegean Region Cement Sector, in Accordance with Article 49 of the Act no 4054 on the Protection of Competition

As a result of the investigation conducted concerning the claim that

- As Cimento Sanavi ve Ticaret A.S..
- Batıçim Batı Anadolu Çimento Sanayii A.Ş.
- Batısöke Söke Çimento Sanayi T.A.Ş.,
- Çimentaş İzmir Çimento Fabrikası Türk A.Ş.,
- Denizli Çimento Sanayii Ticaret A.Ş.,
- Göltaş Göller Bölgesi Çimento Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş.

violated article 4 of the Act no 4054, the Competition Board evaluated all information and documents collected as well as the Investigation Report, written pleas and the statements made in the hearing,

and reached the following final decision, numbered 16-02/44-14, its meeting held on 14.01.2016:

- 1- It is decided by majority, that
  - As Çimento Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş.,
  - Batıçim Batı Anadolu Çimento Sanayii A.Ş.
  - Batısöke Söke Çimento Sanayi T.A.Ş.,
  - Çimentaş İzmir Çimento Fabrikası Türk A.Ş.,
  - Denizli Çimento Sanayii Ticaret A.Ş.,
  - Göltaş Göller Bölgesi Çimento Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş.

violated article 4 of the Act no 4054 by allocating regions and increasing prices in collusion.

- 2- Therefore, in accordance with paragraph three of article 16 of the Act no 4054 as well as with articles 5.1(a), 5.2, 5.3(a) of the "Regulation on Fines to Apply in Cases of Agreements, Concerted Practices and Decisions Limiting Competition, and Abuse of Dominant Position,"
- a) administrative fines will be imposed at 3% of their gross annual revenues generated at the end of the financial year 2014, as determined by the Board, on
  - As Çimento Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş. for a total of 15.512.902,29 TL,
  - Batıçim Batı Anadolu Çimento Sanayii A.Ş. for a total of 11.438.135,21 TL,
  - Batısöke Söke Çimento Sanayi T.A.Ş. for a total of 4.533.260,95 TL, and
  - Çimentaş İzmir Çimento Fabrikası Türk A.Ş. for a total of 12.810.487,72 TL;
- b) and, in accordance with article 6.1(a) of the same Regulation, in addition to the aforementioned provisions, administrative fines will be imposed at 4.5% of their gross annual revenues generated at the end of the financial year 2014, as determined by the Board, on
  - Denizli Çimento Sanayii Ticaret A.Ş. for a total of 12.088.042,39 TL, and
  - Göltaş Göller Bölgesi Çimento Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş. for a total of 14.532.699,42 TL.

The reasoned decision will be notified later and the decision may be appealed before Ankara Administrative Courts.