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FTC Issues Final Order Preserving Competition for Deeply Discounted General Merchandise

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Following a public comment period, the Federal Trade Commission has approved a [final consent order](#) settling charges that Dollar Tree Inc.'s \$9.2 billion acquisition of Family Dollar Stores, Inc. would likely be anticompetitive.

Under the consent order, [first announced in July 2015](#), the companies are required to sell 330 Family Dollar stores to a private equity firm, Sycamore Partners, within 150 days following the acquisition.

The Commission vote approving the final consent order and [letters to commenters](#) was 4-0. (FTC File No. 141 0207; the staff contact is Sean Pugh, Bureau of Competition, 202-326-3201)

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