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Dear Dr Warren

Telstra's Band 2 ULLS Undertaking - Request for Extension of time to respond to ACCC draft decision

I refer to your letter of 5 December 2008 requesting an extension of time until 23 December 2008 to lodge submissions in response to the ACCC's Draft Decision in relation to Telstra's ULLS Band 2 Undertaking (the Draft Decision) published on 13 November 2008.

In the Draft Decision the ACCC provided interested parties until 12 December 2008 to lodge submissions. The ACCC considers that this is a reasonable period of time for interested parties to respond to the Draft Decision.

The ACCC is currently considering Telstra's request for clarification of aspects of the Draft Decision set out in your letter to Michael Cosgrave dated 2 December 2008 and will respond shortly. In this circumstance, the ACCC considers it appropriate to grant Telstra an extension of time until **5pm, 23 December 2008** to respond to the Draft Decision.

In the interests of procedural fairness, the ACCC has decided to grant the same extension of time to all parties to respond to the Draft Decision. This letter will be placed on the ACCC website to communicate that the submission extension time is granted to all parties.

I also note that the ACCC intends to provide Telstra with a request for further information about Telstra's ULLS Band 2 Undertaking pursuant to section 152BT of the *Trade Practices Act 1974* (Information Request). However, the ACCC does not consider that such an information request will require any further extension of time to enable Telstra to respond to

the Draft Decision. If Telstra wishes to make further submissions concerning information that it supplies in response to the Information Request it should do so at the same time as it responds to the Information Request.

Should you have any queries in relation to these matters, please contact Kim Huynh on (03) 9290 1960.

Yours sincerely



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