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Dear Ms Haddock

Australasian Performing Right Association Ltd application for revocation of authorisations A91367 – A91375 and substitution of new authorisation AA1000433—draft determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) has issued a draft determination in respect of the application for revocation and substitution lodged by the Australasian Performing Right Association Ltd (**APRA**) on 24 December 2018.

For the reasons set out in its draft determination, the ACCC proposes to grant conditional authorisation for five years. A copy of the ACCC's draft determination, including the ACCC's proposed conditions, is attached.

Next steps

Once the ACCC issues a draft determination, the Applicants or any interested party may make a written submission and/or request that the ACCC convene a 'pre-decision conference'.

If you wish to make a submission in response to the ACCC's draft determination, please lodge your submission by 5 July 2019. Submissions should be emailed to adjudication@acc.gov.au with the subject "AA1000433 – APRA – submission".

A pre-decision conference provides the opportunity for interested parties to make oral submissions in relation to the draft determination. Conferences are conducted informally and while legal or professional advisers are able to attend they are not entitled to participate in the discussion.

If you wish the ACCC to hold a pre-decision conference in relation to the draft determination you must notify the ACCC in writing by 21 June 2019.

The ACCC will consider any submissions it receives, including any oral submissions made should a pre-decision conference be called, and will then release a final determination in relation to this application.

The ACCC has also sought submissions about APRA's request for interim authorisation. Submissions in response to APRA's request for interim authorisation must be lodged by 12 June 2019. The ACCC will make a decision about the request for interim authorisation before 28 June 2019.

Submissions will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the publication [Guidelines for excluding information from the public register](#).

Timetable

The ACCC will progress its assessment of the application in a timely manner. An indicative timetable is set out below for your information.

24 December 2018	Lodgement of application
9 January 2019	Public consultation process begins.
8 February 2019	Closing date for submissions from interested parties.
April/May 2019	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
5 June 2019	Draft determination.
12 June 2019	Closing date for submissions about interim authorisation.
21 June 2019	Last day on which a pre-decision conference can be called.
27 June 2019	Date by which ACCC will make its decision about interim authorisation.
5 July	Closing date for submissions on the draft determination.
Mid July 2019	Likely pre-decision conference date.
August 2019	Final determination.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Tessa Cramond on 03 9658 6516 or adjudication@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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