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By email

Dear Sir/Madam

David Jones Pty Limited - application for re-authorisation AA1000434–draft determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a draft determination in respect of the application for re-authorisation lodged by David Jones Pty Limited (David Jones) on 2 January 2019.

David Jones is seeking re-authorisation to invite current and future suppliers, which operate separate businesses within David Jones stores and/or conduct sales through David Jones' online retail store to take part in, and with David Jones itself, give effect to David Jones promotions.

Draft determination

A copy of the ACCC's draft determination is attached.

For the reasons set out in its draft determination, the ACCC proposes to grant authorisation for 10 years.

Next steps

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

Making a submission

If you wish to make a submission in response to the ACCC's draft determination, please lodge your submission by **14 March 2019.** Submissions should be emailed to adjudication@accc.gov.au with the subject "AA1000434 – David Jones – submission".

The ACCC will consider any submissions it receives and will then release a final determination in relation to this application.

Submissions will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the ACCC's publication <u>Guidelines for excluding information from the public register</u>.

Optional pre-decision conference

In some cases the applicant or an interested party requests that the ACCC convene a predecision conference in relation to the draft determination. If a conference is called in this matter it will be open to the applicant and interested parties to attend and 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 **14 March 2019**.

Timetable

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

2 January 2019	Lodgement of application
11 January 2019	Public consultation process begins
1 February 2019	Closing date for submissions from interested parties
28 February 2019	Draft determination
March 2019	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called
March/April 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 Luke Griffin on (02) 6243 1114.

Yours sincerely

Gavin Jones Director

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