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By email:



Dear Mr Guirguis and Mr Howarth

Coles Group Limited - application authorisation AA1000477 – ACCC decision regarding request for inclusion in interim authorisation

I refer to your request on 31 March 2020 that Amazon Commercial Services Pty Ltd (**Amazon Australia**) obtain the protection of the interim authorisation granted on 26 March 2020 to Coles Group Limited and other specified grocery retailers (the **Interim Authorisation**).

In accordance with paragraph 25 of the Interim Authorisation, the ACCC has decided to approve Amazon Australia's request for the protection of the Interim Authorisation.

Duration of interim authorisation

The conditional interim authorisation will remain in effect until the ACCC makes a final determination regarding the application for authorisation made by Coles Group Ltd, or revokes the Interim Authorisation. Coles Group Limited has requested authorisation for six months from the date of the ACCC's final determination.

Reconsideration of interim authorisation

The ACCC may review a decision on interim authorisation at any time, including in response to feedback raised following interim authorisation. The ACCC's decision in relation to the interim authorisation should not be taken to be indicative of whether or not the final authorisation will be granted.

We have updated the ACCC's public register to include Amazon Australia on the list of entities granted interim authorisation.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Will Sommers on (03) 9910 9444.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'DMcCracken-Hewson', followed by a long horizontal flourish.

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