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Ms Sharon Henrick  
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Dear Ms Henrick

**7-Eleven Stores Pty Limited application for authorisation A1000547— interim authorisation decision, initial consultation and public register exclusion request**

**Interim authorisation**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has decided to grant interim authorisation in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by 7-Eleven Stores Pty Limited (**7-Eleven**) on 11 March 2021. A copy of the ACCC decision is attached.

Interim authorisation protects the arrangements for which authorisation is sought from legal action under the relevant provisions of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth) while the ACCC considers and evaluates the merits of the application.

**Next steps**

For your information, the next step in the process is for the ACCC to conduct its initial consultation and then prepare a draft determination which will take account of any submissions from 7-Eleven and interested parties and will indicate the ACCC's preliminary views on the merits of the application. The ACCC will give both 7-Eleven and interested parties the opportunity to provide a further submission on the draft determination before the ACCC issues its final decision.

As noted in the attached decision, the ACCC may review its decision on interim authorisation at any time. The ACCC's decision in relation to interim authorisation should not be taken to be indicative of whether or not final authorisation will be granted by the ACCC.

**Public register exclusion request**

I refer to your application for authorisation lodged on 11 March 2021 as noted above. On behalf of the decision maker, I can inform you that the decision maker has granted your request that the following documents be excluded from the ACCC's public register pursuant to section 89 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010*:

- Covering letter to the application
- Confidential Attachment A-1
- Confidential Attachment B
- Confidential Attachment C
- Attached email

We will place your public version of the application (labelled Attachment A-2) on the ACCC's public register, on the internet.

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 Tanya Hobbs on [02 6243 1029].

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joanne Palisi". The signature is written in a cursive style with a light blue shadow effect behind the text.

Joanne Palisi  
Director  
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