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By email: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr Speed

Scentre Group and Shopping Centre Council of Australia Limited – AA1000489

I refer to our letters of 7 April and 16 April 2020, and your responses of 8 and 17 April 2020.

You advised on 17 April that no relief packages were likely to be announced in the two weeks following the letter due to lack of detail around how each state would implement the National Cabinet's Code. Please provide an update on when SCCA is likely to announce a relief package pursuant to the interim authorisation.

The ACCC has also since commenced public consultation on the application. Submissions received have expressed concerns about:

- the breadth of information requested by landlords and potentially shared under the interim authorisation;
- the extent to which the conduct permitted by the interim authorisation has been effective to date in delivering rent relief to shopping centre tenants; and
- the continued need for interim authorisation, following the National Cabinet's announcement of the Code, and whether an industry approach as contemplated under the interim authorisation is compatible with the principles of the Code.

We invite further submissions from the applicants addressing the points raised in public submissions so far and updates on the issues raised in our previous correspondence. In particular, we request:

- a detailed report of the conduct that SCCA and its members have engaged in under the interim authorisation, including the topics discussed during any meetings, information shared between the applicants and any understandings the applicants have reached in relation to information requests to tenants;
- a description of the conduct that the applicants are likely to engage in under the interim authorisation over the next month; and
- your response to the third party submissions received so far.

Please provide your response by **8 May**.

This letter will be placed on the public register.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Theo Kelly on (02) 6243 1179.

Yours sincerely,

Kai Fu
Director
Adjudication Branch