



Our ref: AA1000549
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By email

Dear Sir/Madam

7-Eleven and Velocity application for authorisation AA1000549 — draft determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) has issued a draft determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by 7-Eleven Stores Pty Limited on behalf of itself, its franchisees and Velocity Frequent Flyer Pty Ltd on 24 March 2021.

For the reasons set out in its draft determination, the ACCC proposes to grant authorisation for 5 years.

A copy of the ACCC's draft determination is attached and also available on the ACCC's authorisations [public register](#).

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'.

Making a submission

If you wish to make a submission in response to the ACCC's draft determination, please lodge your submission by **Friday, 25 June 2021**. Submissions should be emailed to exemptions@acc.gov.au with the subject 'AA1000549 – 7-Eleven/Velocity – submission'. If you prefer to make an oral submission, please contact Andrew Mahony via the details at the end of this letter.

The ACCC will consider any submissions it receives, including any oral submissions made at a pre-decision conference (should one be called - see below), 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. See the ACCC's [Guidelines for excluding information from the public register](#).

Optional pre-decision conference

In some cases the applicant or an interested party requests that the ACCC convene a pre-decision conference in relation to its draft determination. If a conference is called 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 **Friday, 25 June 2021** by email to exemptions@acc.gov.au.

Timetable

An indicative timetable for the ACCC's assessment is set out below.

Indicative Date	Stage in assessment process
24 March 2021	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
1 April 2021	Public consultation process begins.
7 May 2021	ACCC granted interim authorisation.
11 June 2021	Draft determination.
June/July 2021	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
July/August 2021	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 Andrew Mahony on (03) 9290 1983 or via email to exemptions@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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