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Dear Sir/Madam

### **Paintback Limited application for authorisation AA1000536—final determination**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by Paintback Limited (Paintback) on 20 November 2020.

Paintback sought authorisation for itself and participating paint suppliers to continue to impose a levy of up to \$0.15 per litre (plus GST) on certain architectural and design paints, and woodcare products, to fund the Paintback scheme for a further 10 years.

A copy of the ACCC's determination is attached, including a summary of its reasons. For the reasons set out in its determination, the ACCC has decided to grant authorisation for 10 years. The ACCC's assessment is set out in Chapter 4 of its determination.

### **Application for review**

Pursuant to section 101 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth), a person dissatisfied with this determination may apply to the Australian Competition Tribunal for its review. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 17 June 2021. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 18 June 2021.

An application for review of the ACCC's determination should be lodged directly with the Australian Competition Tribunal. The Australian Competition Tribunal is a separate body from the ACCC and is located within the Federal Court of Australia.

For further information about the process involved in reviewing decisions in the Australian Competition Tribunal please refer to the tribunal's website located at <http://www.competitiontribunal.gov.au/>.

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 Tom Whitby on 02 6243 1012.

Yours sincerely

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