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Dear Mr Heydon

N10000653 and N10000564 – Bluesfest Tours Pty Ltd and Bluesfest Byron Bay Pty Ltd – No further action

I refer to the notifications lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) by Bluesfest Tours Pty Ltd and Bluesfest Byron Bay Pty Ltd. These have been allocated the registration numbers N10000653 and N10000564.

Commencement of legal protection

The protection from legal action provided by these notifications commenced automatically when they were validly lodged with the ACCC, respectively for N10000653 (Bluesfest Tours) on 27 October 2023, and for N10000564 (Bluesfest Byron Bay) on 6 November 2023.

While the legal protection is in force, you may engage in the conduct as described in the notifications without the risk of breaching the exclusive dealing provisions of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth) (the **Act**).

ACCC assessment

On the basis of the information that you have provided, the ACCC has decided to take no further action at this time, which allows the legal protection provided by the notifications to continue unless or until the ACCC revokes the notifications or you withdraw the notifications.

If at any time circumstances change, or the ACCC makes further inquiries or receives further information, such that it is satisfied that the notified conduct has the purpose, effect or likely effect of substantially lessening competition <u>and</u> that the public benefits from the exclusive dealing conduct do not outweigh the public detriments, the ACCC may take steps to remove the legal protection by revoking the notifications.

The notifications will be placed on the ACCC's exclusive dealing notifications register.

Please contact Naomi Lizak on (03) 9290 1493 or by email to <u>exemptions@accc.gov.au</u> if you have any questions about this matter.

Yours sincerely

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