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By email:

Dear Applicant

Scentre Group and Shopping Centre Council of Australia Limited – AA1000489

On 3 April 2020, the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) granted interim authorisation for Scentre Group and the Shopping Centre Council of Australia and its members (the **Applicants**), including your organisation, to:

- *discuss and share information regarding the financial difficulties their tenants are facing and which tenants or classes of tenants would benefit most from relief and the nature of the relief that might be offered,*
- *provisionally enter into agreements as to the nature of the relief which might be offered to these tenants, or classes of tenants, by SCCA members, and*
- *to give effect to those agreements (subject to the notification procedures).*

(together, the **Proposed Conduct**).

The interim authorisation has been granted to allow your organisation and the other Applicants to immediately engage in the Proposed Conduct while the ACCC progresses its determination of the substantive application for authorisation. Further information, including a copy of the application and the ACCC's interim authorisation decision, is available on the [public register](#).

On 17 April the Applicants advised the ACCC that no relief packages were likely to be announced in the following two weeks due to lack of detail around how each state would implement the National Cabinet's Code.

Next steps

The ACCC is interested in your views on how the interim authorisation is working so far. In particular:

- Is the Proposed Conduct working as expected?
- Is the Proposed Conduct taking place as described in the application and the interim authorisation decision?
- Are there any particular benefits or detriments that the Proposed Conduct is resulting in?

- Has your organisation engaged in the Proposed Conduct, and if so, what was your experience in doing so? If not, why not?

We would be grateful for your response by 8 May 2020 to theo.kelly@acc.gov.au. Alternatively, if you would like to provide feedback orally, please contact Will Sommers on 03 9910 9444. We invite you to contact us following your initial response should there be any update.

Submissions, including oral submissions, will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the ACCC's Guidelines for excluding confidential information from the public register for authorisation and notification processes.

Yours sincerely,

Kai Fu
Director
Adjudication Branch