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Subject: RE: AA1000477 – request to be covered by authorisation [SEC=OFFICIAL] [ACCC-ACCCANDAER.FID2822532]

Dear Mr Atkin

Please find **attached** correspondence from the ACCC responding to Endeavour Group Limited's request to be covered by authorisation AA1000546.

The ACCC has decided to approve this request, and protection commences from the time of this email notifying you of the ACCC's decision.

Please see the attached correspondence for further details, including contact details should you wish to discuss this further.

Warm regards
Sam

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By email: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr Atkin

Coles Group Limited – application authorisation AA1000546 – ACCC decision regarding Endeavour Group Limited’s request to be covered by authorisation AA1000546

I refer to your request of 26 July 2021 for Endeavour Group Limited (**Endeavour Group**) to obtain the protection by the application for authorisation AA1000546, including the interim authorisation granted on 25 March 2021 to Coles Group Limited, the other Participating Supermarkets, and Other Approved Supermarkets (the **Interim Authorisation**).

Endeavour Group has requested that Endeavour Group Limited and its related bodies corporate receive protection to engage in all the Proposed Conduct under application AA1000546 and for which the Interim Authorisation has been granted.

In accordance with condition 3 of the Interim Authorisation, the ACCC has decided to approve Endeavour Group’s request. The protection commences from the date of this letter.

Duration of interim authorisation

The Interim Authorisation will remain in effect until the ACCC makes a final determination regarding the application for authorisation made by Coles Group Limited, or Interim Authorisation is revoked. Coles Group Limited has requested authorisation until 31 March 2022.

Reconsideration of interim authorisation

The ACCC may review a decision on interim authorisation at any time, including in response to feedback raised following interim authorisation. The ACCC’s decision in relation to the interim authorisation should not be taken to be indicative of whether or not the final authorisation will be granted.

We will place a copy of this letter on the ACCC’s public register for this matter.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Sam O'Connor on (03) 9910 9522.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D Jones', with a stylized flourish at the end.

David Jones
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