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Mr Steve Anderson National Public Affairs Group Pty Ltd PO Box 3961 Manuka ACT 2603

Dear Mr Anderson

Notification of Exclusive Dealing – National Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Council Limited – N91040

I refer to the above third line forcing notification lodged by National Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Council Limited (NRAC) on 1 October 2002 with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the Commission). The notification has been placed on the Commission's public register. Legal immunity from the Trade Practices Act came into effect on 14 October 2002.

The notification details a proposed arrangement in which NRAC will require refrigeration and air conditioning equipment installation and maintenance technicians to be certified under the certification scheme administered by NRAC in order to use the associated trade mark.

On the basis of the information that you have provided, it is not intended that further action be taken in this matter at this stage.

Please note that the Commission may act to remove the immunity afforded by this notification at a later stage if it is satisfied that the likely benefit to the public from the conduct will not outweigh the likely detriment to the public from the conduct.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Tania Mayrhofer on (02) 6243 1070.

Yours sincerely

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