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Dear Mr George

**Third line forcing notifications lodged by Subaru (Aust) Pty Ltd
(N40609, N40610, N40611 and N40612)**

As you are aware, the Commission invites potentially interested parties to comment on applications lodged with the Commission, particularly in relation to the public benefit and anti-competitive detriment likely to flow from the proposed arrangements.

I enclose all non-confidential submissions made by interested parties in relation to this matter to date for your information. The Commission invites your client's comments on any of the issues raised in submissions from interested parties.

The Commission would be grateful if your client could also address, in particular, the concern relating to dealers being forced to accept finance arrangements from a particular supplier (GMAC, in this instance) in order obtain supply of particular products (from Interleasing or Swann Insurance) as a result of the refusal to supply these products if dealers do not acquire finance from GMAC.

I would be grateful to receive your response to the above concern and any further comments in relation to issues raised in submissions from interested parties by **30 January 2004**.

A copy of this letter has been placed on the Commission's public register.



If you would like to discuss any other aspect of this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact Amanda Dadd on 02 6243 1391.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Palisi', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Paul Palisi
A/g General Manager
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