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Dear Mr Guirguis

**Re: Third line forcing notification No. [N40842]
lodged by Director of Housing, Office of Housing, Department of Human Services.**

I refer to the above third line forcing notification lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 23 March 2005. The notification has been placed on the ACCC's public register.

The Director of Housing, Office of Housing, Department of Human Services (DHS) has described the conduct as follows:

In order to bid for a Director of Housing contract, tenderers will be required to demonstrate their intention to employ public tenants as a component of their workforce. The tenderer will also be required to provide minimum training requirements to these employees.

Legal immunity conferred by the notification will come into force on 6 April 2005. 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.

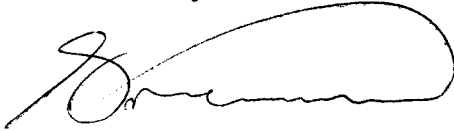
Please note that this assessment should not be represented as having conferred endorsement by the ACCC.

As with any notification, please note that the ACCC 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.



This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Tania Mayrhofer on (02) 6243 1070.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Scott Gregson', with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Scott Gregson
A/g General Manager
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