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Mr Ayman Guirguis Partner Blake Dawson Waldron GPO Box 4958 WW Melbourne VIC 3001

Dear Mr Guirguis

## Notification of Exclusive Dealing Lodged by Geelong Otway Tourism Inc (N40671)

I refer to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's (the Commission) letter dated 18 February 2004 in which the Commission forwarded a submission in relation to Geelong Otway Tourism Inc's (GOT) notification N40671 from Councillor Stephen Hart for your comment.

The Commission has received GOT's response of 5 March 2004 to Councillors Hart's concerns and has forwarded a copy of GOT's letter to Councillor Hart.

After considering the further information supplied by both parties, the Commission does not intend to take any further action in relation to this matter at this time and advises that the immunity afforded to GOT for the notified conduct will remain in effect.

However, the Commission advises that it may act to remove the immunity afforded by notification N40671 at any time if it becomes satisfied that the likely benefit to the public will not outweigh the likely detriment to the public, from the notified conduct.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Liam Stewart on 02 6243 1275.

Yours sincerely

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