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Dear

**Applications for Authorisation lodged by the Department of Industry, Tourism and
Resources relating to the preferential/exclusive treatment of accredited tourism
businesses (A90912 and A90913)**

I refer to our letter to you dated 26 May 2004 in relation to the applications for authorisation lodged by the Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources (ITR) relating to 'preferential' and/or 'exclusive' treatment of accredited tourism businesses. ITR had requested that the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) delay its consideration of the applications while it drafted amendments to the proposed conduct.

For your information, ITR has now withdrawn its applications for authorisation. Consequently, the ACCC will not be proceeding with its consideration of the applications.

A copy of this letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you have any further questions about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Michael Green on 03 9290 1960.

Yours sincerely

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