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Dear Ms Clough

Withdrawal of authorisation applications A90912 and A90913

I refer to your letter to the Australian Consumer and Competition Commission (the ACCC) dated 20 July 2005 on behalf of the Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources, requesting that the above applications for authorisation be withdrawn.

I can confirm that these applications have been withdrawn. For your information, I have attached the letter sent by the ACCC to interested parties to inform them of the withdrawal of these applications.

If you have any further questions in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Michael Green on 03 9290 1960.

Yours sincerely

Scott Gregson
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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For your information, ITR has now withdrawn its applications for authorisation.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

Gavin Jones
Director
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