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Dear Ms Oddie

Applications for Revocation and Substitution lodged by the Community Care Underwriting Agency (CCUA) in relation to supply of public liability insurance – draft determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a draft determination in respect of the above applications for revocation of authorisations A30217 and A30218 and substitution of replacement authorisations, which were lodged by the Community Care Underwriting Agency (CCUA) on 22 December 2005.

The ACCC proposes to grant a transitional authorisation to allow CCUA to:

- continue to write or renew policies up until 31 December 2006; and
- to give effect to any policies until 31 December 2007.

A copy of the ACCC's draft determination is attached.

Next steps

Once the ACCC issues a draft determination, the applicant or any interested party who may be dissatisfied with the ACCC's draft determination may request that the ACCC convene a 'pre-decision conference'. A pre-decision conference provides the opportunity for interested parties to make oral submissions in relation to the draft determination. Under the *Trade* Practices Act 1974, the ACCC must set a date within 14 days of which any pre-decision conference must be requested. Accordingly, if you wish the ACCC to hold a pre-decision conference in relation to the draft determination, you must notify the Commission in writing by cob 18 May 2006. Conferences are conducted informally, without the participation of legal or other professional advisers.



You are also invited to make a written submission in response to the ACCC's draft determination. Written submissions in response to the draft determination should be lodged no later than **cob 25 May 2006** at the following address:

The General Manager Adjudication Branch Australian Competition & Consumer Commission PO Box 1199 DICKSON ACT 2602

Submissions can also be lodged by e-mail to: adjudication@accc.gov.au or by facsimile on (02) 6243 1211.

Any submission you make will be placed on the ACCC's Public Register. You may request that information you provide in a submission to the ACCC be treated as confidential and not placed on the Public Register. Information excluded from the Public Register for reasons of confidentiality will still be considered by the ACCC when reaching its decision. Guidelines for seeking confidentiality are attached for your information.

The ACCC will consider any submissions it receives, including any oral submissions made should a pre-determination conference be called, and will then release a final determination in relation to these applications.

If you require further information, please contact Carl Toohey on (03) 9290 1480.

Yours sincerely

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