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By facsimile: (08) 8231 0014

Dear Ms Stevens

Third line forcing notification N93226 lodged by Power Franchise Pty Ltd

I refer to the above third line forcing notification lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 28 November 2007. The notification has been placed on the ACCC's public register.

The notification concerns Power Franchise Pty Ltd proposing to require its franchisees, service managers and account managers be members of the Mortgage & Finance Association of Australia or the Finance Brokers Association of Australia and the Credit Ombudsman Service Limited.

Legal immunity conferred by the notification will come into force on 12 December 2007.

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.

As with any notification, please note that the ACCC may act to remove the immunity afforded by the notifications 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.

I take this opportunity to draw your attention to amendments to the *Trade Practices Act 1974* and Regulations that came into effect on 1 January 2007. The amendments to the Regulations introduced new and revised authorisation and notifications forms and fees.

While your notification was submitted on an old form G, together with your attachment 1, it would seem that all relevant information required under the revised form G has been provided. More information, together with revised forms, can be found on the ACCC website, www.accc.gov.au and should assist in lodging future notifications.

A copy of 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 Sharon Clancy on (02) 6243 1217.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Scott Gregson', written over a light grey rectangular background.

Scott Gregson
General Manager
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