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19 December 2007

Dear Sir/Madam

**Collective bargaining notification CB00004 lodged by AMA Victoria  
- Latrobe Regional Hospital**

I refer to the above collective bargaining notification lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) by AMA Victoria Pty Ltd on 17 September 2007, regarding proposed collective bargaining at Latrobe Regional Hospital.

The ACCC has considered the notification and has decided to issue a final objection notice. The reasons for the ACCC's decision are provided in the final objection notice enclosed.

The final objection notice will also be available from the ACCC's website [www.accc.gov.au](http://www.accc.gov.au) by following the *Public Registers* and *Authorisations and notifications* links.

**Application for review**

Pursuant to section 101A of the *Trade Practices Act 1974*, a person dissatisfied with this notice may apply to the Australian Competition Tribunal for its review. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 9 January 2008.


An application for review should be lodged directly with the Australian Competition Tribunal. The Australian Competition Tribunal is a separate body from the ACCC and is located within the Federal Court of Australia.

For further information about the process involved in reviewing decisions in the Australian Competition Tribunal please refer to the tribunal's website located at <http://www.competitiontribunal.gov.au/>.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please contact Louise Hird on (03) 9290 1484 or via email at [Louise.Hird@accc.gov.au](mailto:Louise.Hird@accc.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'L Hird'.

 Scott Gregson  
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<b>Interested Parties</b>
Rural Doctors Association of Australia
Rural Doctors Association of Victoria
Australian Rural and Remote Workforce
Rural Workforce Agency of Victoria
Australian General Practice Network
General Practice Divisions Victoria
Central West Gippsland Division of General Practice
National Rural Health Alliance
Australian healthcare Association
Australian Healthcare Reform Alliance
Australian Rural Health Education Network
Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing
Department of Human Services
Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council (South Australian Department of Health)
Health Services Commissioner (Vic)
Medical Practitioners Board of Victoria
Australian Private Hospital Association
Victorian Hospitals' Industrial Association
Catholic Health Australia
Australian Consumer Association
Consumer Health Forum
Health Consumers of Rural and Remote Australia
Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine
Royal Australasian College of Physicians
Royal Australian College of General Practitioners
Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists
Royal Australasian College of Surgeons
Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists
Australian Medical Association (SA)
Australian Society of Anaesthetists