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Dear «Salutation»

Re: Star Alliance application for authorisation A91036-A91040 - draft determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a draft determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by Singapore Airlines Ltd on behalf of the members of the Star Alliance on 16 March 2007. The Star Alliance is seeking authorisation for its Corporate Plus and Conventions Plus programs.

A copy of the ACCC's draft determination is attached. For the reasons set out in its draft determination, the ACCC proposes to grant authorisation for a period of five years.

Once the ACCC issues a draft determination, the applicant or any interested party may request that the ACCC convene a 'pre-decision conference'. A pre-decision conference provides the opportunity for the applicant and interested parties to make oral submissions in relation to the draft determination. Conferences are conducted informally, without the participation of legal or other professional advisers.

If you wish the ACCC to hold a pre-decision conference in relation to the draft determination, you must notify the ACCC in writing by **cob 6 July 2007**.

Alternatively, you are also invited to make a written submission in response to the ACCC's draft determination. Written submissions should be lodged by **cob 6 July 2007** at the following address:

The General Manager
Adjudication Branch
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Submissions can also be lodged by e-mail to adjudication@acc.gov.au or by facsimile on 02 6243 1211.

Persons lodging a submission with the ACCC may, in certain circumstances, request that information included in the submission be excluded from the public register. Submissions



which are excluded from the public register may still be taken into account by the ACCC. Guidelines for seeking exclusion from the public register are available at www.accc.gov.au.

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

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 Shane Chisholm on (02) 6243 1252.

Yours sincerely

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Director, Adjudication

The above letter was sent to the following parties:

- Qantas
- Board of Airline Representatives of Australia
- Australian Federation of Travel Agents
- Australasian Business Travel Association
- Meetings and Events Australia
- South Australian Tourism Commission
- Department of Transport and Regional Services