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Dear [name]

**IATA application for minor variation to Authorisation A90855
Cargo Agency System
- interested party consultation**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has received an application to vary authorisation A90855 previously granted to the International Air Transport Association (IATA). The ACCC would like to invite you to comment on the application. Attached is a summary of the authorisation process including how to make a submission to the ACCC.

Authorisation A90855 was granted on a transition basis on 9 November 2006 and covered most of IATA's activities, including the IATA Cargo Agency System.

Proposed minor variation to A90855

IATA have sought a minor variation to extend the duration of the protection afforded to the Cargo Agency System by three months beyond the current expiry date of 31 August 2007 to 30 November 2007.

A copy of IATA's submission is attached for your information.

The ACCC has granted interim authorisation allowing the protection afforded by the authorisation to continue while it considers the merits of the proposed variation.

Request for submissions

The ACCC invites you to make a submission on the likely public benefits and the likely effect on competition, or any other public detriment, from the proposed variation.

If you intend to provide a submission, please do so by **12 September 2007**.

Alternatively, you can provide comments orally by contacting Ilona Balint on (02) 6243 1113.

Submissions, including oral submissions, will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion (guidelines are attached).

Timetable

The ACCC will progress its assessment of the application in a timely manner. An indicative timetable is set out below for your information.

23 August 2007	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
29 August 2007	Interim authorisation granted.
29 August 2007	Public consultation process begins.
12 September 2007	Closing date for submissions from interested parties.
19 September 2007	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
September/October 2007	Determination.

You can also forward this letter to any other party who may wish to make a submission to the ACCC regarding this application for minor variation.

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 Ilona Balint on (02) 6243 1113.

Yours sincerely



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