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Dear Ms Edghill

Authorisation Application lodged by Dairy Farmers Milk Co-operative Limited (DFMC) and Australian Co-operative Foods Limited (ACF) [A91089] – final determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by Dairy Farmers Milk Co-operative Limited (DFMC) and Australian Co-operative Foods Limited (ACF).

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

Application for review

Pursuant to section 101 of the *Trade Practices Act 1974*, a person dissatisfied with this determination 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 12 November 2008. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 13 November 2008.

An application for review of the ACCC's determination 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 do not hesitate to contact Monica Bourke on (02) 6243 1351.

Yours sincerely

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