



**Australian
Competition &
Consumer
Commission**

GPO Box 3131
Canberra ACT 2601

23 Marcus Clarke Street
Canberra ACT 2601

tel: (02) 6243 1111
fax: (02) 6243 1199

www.accc.gov.au

Our Ref: C2008/1339
Contact Officer: Monica Bourke
Contact Phone: 02 6243 1351

10 December 2008

Mr Warwick Hough
Senior Manager
General Practice, Legal Services and Workplace Policy Section
Australian Medical Association Limited
PO Box 6090
Kingston ACT 2604

By email: whough@ama.com.au

Dear Mr Hough

**Australian Medical Association Limited and state/territory AMA organisations
application for authorisation A91100 - final determination**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a final determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by the Australian Medical Association Limited and the AMA state/territory bodies in Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia, Northern Territory, Queensland and Tasmania (all referred to as AMA) on 19 August 2008.

A copy of the ACCC's determination is attached, including a summary of its reasons. For the reasons set out in its final determination, the ACCC has decided to grant authorisation until 28 February 2014.

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 31 December 2008. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 1 January 2009.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Richard Chadwick', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Dr Richard Chadwick
General Manager
Adjudication Branch