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Dear Ms Arnaud

I refer to your letter dated 6 March 2008, regarding an application for authorisation A91078 by the Rural Doctors Association of Australia Limited – draft determination.

Thank you for advice of the Commission's draft determination regarding this application. I note the terms of the draft determination. I note also the next steps advised by the Commission and in particular with regard to the draft determination, the opportunities for a pre-decision conference with the Commission or for a written response. I advise that we will not seek a pre-decision conference.

I also confirm my previous advice to the Commission (our reference DG050072, dated 29 January 2008) including the facts and notes on the application. In particular, I confirm in relation to the draft determination that:

1. Queensland Health does not oppose the application for authorisation by Rural Doctors Association of Australia Limited (RDAA).
2. Should the authorisation be granted by your Commission, it would be necessary for the RDAA to apply to the State for recognition as an agent for rural Visiting Medical Officers, who are subject to the State's agreement relating to the Terms and Conditions of Employment Queensland Government Visiting Medical Officers and if successful, to participate as co-agents for Visiting Medical Officers, with the Queensland Branch of the Australian Medical Association.

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Yours sincerely

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Professor Andrew Wilson
Acting Director-General



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