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Mr T Barns
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Dear Mr Barns

**Re: Third line forcing notification No. N93553 lodged by Virgin International
Airlines Pty Ltd**

I refer to the above third line forcing notification lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 14 August 2008. The notification has been placed on the ACCC's public register.

Virgin Blue International Airlines will offer travel agents the ability to book and pay for its flights on the Global Distribution System on condition that they enter into an agreement with Enett International Pty Ltd to participate in the 'enett' payment and settlement system.

Legal immunity conferred by the notification came into force on **28 August 2008**.

On the basis of the information that you have provided, it is not intended that further action be taken in this matter at this stage. This assessment has been made on the basis that Virgin Blue International Airlines will disclose all relevant terms and conditions to prospective customers.

As with any notification, please note that the ACCC may act to remove the immunity afforded by the notification at a later stage if it is satisfied that the likely benefit to the public from the conduct will not outweigh the likely detriment to the public from the conduct.

A copy of 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Hatfield', written in a cursive style.

David Hatfield
Acting General Manager
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