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Dear Sir/Madam

**Collective Bargaining Notifications CB00081 to CB00137
lodged by Paint Right Ltd – Assessment**

I refer to the above collective bargaining notifications lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 21 August 2009.

Under the notifications, PaintRight Ltd proposes to collectively bargain on behalf of 56 nominated member businesses, all paint retailers, with 57 nominated suppliers about the price and terms for paint, painting accessories and such services as banking and marketing.

You may recall that the ACCC sought interested party comment on the notifications.

On the information available, the ACCC does not object to the notifications. A copy of a document setting out the ACCC's assessment of the notifications is attached.

Protection afforded by notifications CB00081 to CB00137 commenced on 3 September 2009 and will cease three years from the date of lodgement (21 August 2012).

As with any notification, the ACCC may review the notifications at a later stage should concerns arise.

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 John Rouw on 03 9290 1402.

Yours sincerely

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Director
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