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Ms Margaret Brown  
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Dear Ms Brown

**Third line forcing notification N94269 lodged by the Australian Society of  
Orthodontists (WA Branch)**

I refer to the above third line forcing notification lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 15 October 2009. The notification has been placed on the ACCC's public register.

The Australian Society of Orthodontists (WA Branch) will supply membership services on the condition that the member is also a member of the Australian Society of Orthodontists Incorporated (ASO).

Legal immunity conferred by the notification will commence on 29 October 2009.

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.

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.

This assessment has been made on the basis that the Australian Society of Orthodontists (WA Branch) will disclose all relevant terms and conditions to prospective members.

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 Erin Donohue on (02) 6243 1291.

Yours sincerely

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

Dr Richard Chadwick  
General Manager  
Adjudication Branch