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Dear Mr Matis

Collective bargaining notification lodged by the Australian Newsagents Federation – request for material to be excluded from the public register

I refer to the collective bargaining notification you lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 6 May 2009.

I have considered your request to have the list of participating newsagents along with their business and personal details excluded from the ACCC's public register.

As you are aware, the ACCC is generally required under section 95 of the *Trade Practices Act* 1974 (the Act) to place documents provided to it in relation to a notification on the ACCC's public register. The Act provides that a person submitting a document in relation to a collective bargaining notification may request that the document or parts thereof be excluded from the public register by reason of the nature of certain information contained in the document.

As a person authorised to make a decision for and on behalf of the ACCC in relation to such a request, I advise that the relevant part of the document will not be placed on the public register.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register.

Please note that as part of its assessment of the notification the ACCC will consider whether it is necessary that the target be made aware of the identity of the members of the bargaining group at the time of the collective negotiations.

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Lauren Roy on (02) 6243 4940.

Yours sincerely

David Hatfield

A/g General Manager Adjudication Branch

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