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Dear Professor Gough

Australasian College of Cosmetic Surgery – application for authorisation A91106

Thank you for your letter of 3 July 2009.

In your letter you state that the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons disagrees with the views and conclusions of the Australasian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) in its final determination of 18 June 2009 on the application for authorisation A91106 lodged by the Australasian College of Cosmetic Surgery. In particular you have requested that the ACCC reconsider this matter.

The ACCC's assessment of the Australasian College of Cosmetic Surgery's application was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Trade Practices Act, taking into account the submissions made by interested parties.

As indicated in the ACCC's letter to interested parties of 18 June 2009, pursuant to section 101 of the Act, parties who are dissatisfied with a determination issued by the ACCC may apply to the Australian Competition Tribunal for a review of the determination. An application for review to the tribunal, which is a separate body from the ACCC and is located within the Federal Court of Australia, must be made within 21 days of the date of the determination. If no application for review is lodged by any person by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force at the end of that period. For further information about the process involved in reviewing decisions in the Australian Competition Tribunal please refer to the tribunal's website found at www.competitiontribunal.gov.au.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you have any questions about this matter, please contact John Rouw on (03) 9290 1402.

Yours sincerely

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

Dr Richard Chadwick
General Manager
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