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Attention: Monica Bourke
Project Officer
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Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

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Dear Ms. Bourke,

RE: EXCLUSIVE DEALING NOTIFICATION LODGED BY - Brisbane International Speedway, Murray Bridge Speedway and Sungold Stadium Premier Speedway.

On behalf of the Australian Saloon Car Federation (ASCF/SSA) Inc. I formerly submit the following responses below as an interested party in relation to the above notifications.

1. The ASCF/SSA recognize the NASR licencing system and have adopted this licence in favour of our own administered licence for a variety of factors. We believe a national licencing system should be in place for all speedway participants, thereby enabling competitors to move to different racing divisions within speedway using the same licence. The possession of a licence means that a competitor has met a certain criteria, such as a medical fitness to race and has no outstanding judicial sanctions by any speedway division.

The National NASR Licence is critical to the judicial control of all participants. Other smaller organizations issue licences but in reality they are merely a revenue raising mechanism, as in many cases, no rule book is attached to the licence.

Aside from the procedural, structural and strategic advantages for the industry that are evident, there are many tangible benefits to holding a NASR licence (member benefits).

2. The majority of drivers are more than satisfied with the insurance provided under the NASR licencing and membership structure. However, there are a minority who wish to challenge this for whatever political reason they may have, while some simply have it provided by their employment and question to need to have cover as part of the NASR licence.
3. Competitors are free to source their own insurance. There are no restrictions placed upon them whatsoever.
4. Some ASCF/SSA drivers regularly race at non-approved NASR tracks; however the ASCF/SSA has a duty of care to ensure that the appropriate levels of cover and safety are in place, prior to this occurring. The ASCF/SSA is very comfortable with this level as provided under the NASR structure.

5. The ASCF would encourage all tracks to become NASR approved, as it would ensure certainty and peace of mind for all concerned. All of the major venues are NASR approved which makes life very assured and easily controlled when racing is conducted at those venues.
6. It is vitally important for saloon car members to be members of the ASCF/SSA, as we are able to control general car specifications and car safety specifications to all vehicles under our banner.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Neil Sayer
CEO Speedway Sedans Australia (ASCF Inc)

C.c. SSA Board Members