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Mr Rick Davies Senior Associate Cowell Clarke Level 5 63 Pirie St ADELAIDE SA 5000

Dear Mr Davies

Authorisation A91229-A91230 submitted by the South Australian Oyster Growers Association – request for material to be excluded from the public register

I refer to your client's submission regarding the above application for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 17 May 2010.

I have considered your client's request that the report 'Enhancement of the Pacific oyster breeding program' attached to the submission be excluded from the ACCC's public register.

As you are aware, the ACCC is generally required under section 89 of the *Trade Practices Act* 1974 (the Act) to place documents provided to it in relation to an application for authorisation on the ACCC's public register. The Act provides that a person submitting a document in relation to an authorisation application 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 report will not be placed on the public register.

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

The submission with the relevant report removed will be placed on the public register in the form it was provided to the ACCC.

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Tess Macrae on (03) 9290 1835.

Yours sincerely

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