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Dear Mr McCowan

Authorisation A91257 submitted by the Australian Hotels Association Divisions – request for material to be excluded from the public register

I refer to your submission regarding the above application for revocation and substitution of authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) on 25 October 2010.

I have considered Fosters Group Limited's (Fosters) request that the confidential version of its 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* (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 part 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 confidential version of Fosters' submission will not be placed on the public register.

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

I note that you also provided a public version of Fosters' submission. This version 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 Susan Hogan on 02 6243 1045.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'R' followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Dr Richard Chadwick
General Manager
Adjudication Branch