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Dear Mr Woodward & Ms Klamka

## Virgin Australia and Singapore Airlines - applications for authorisation A91267 & A91268 - request for material to be excluded from the public register

I refer to your applications for authorisation lodged with the ACCC on 20 June 2011.

I have considered your clients request that;

- certain information contained in the submission in support of the applications
- certain date contained in Annexure G InterVISTAS' QSI analysis
- Annexure A Alliance Framework Agreement and Codeshare Agreement, and
- Annexure I Virgin Australia supplementary counterfactual

be excluded from the ACCC's public register.

As you are aware, the ACCC is generally required under section 89 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (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 information and documents will not be placed on the public register.

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

I note that you provided a revised public version of your clients' submission on 24 June 2011. 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 Clare McGinness on (03) 9290 6909.

Yours sincerely

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