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**By email: [spierconsulting@nctspeed.com.au](mailto:spierconsulting@nctspeed.com.au)**

Dear Mr Spier

**Application for authorisation A91269 lodged by the Newsagents Association of NSW & ACT Ltd (NANA) - interested party consultation**

I refer to the above mentioned application for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 1 August 2011.

Please find enclosed, for your information, a copy of the letter the ACCC sent today to potentially interested parties as part of its public consultation process.

This application will be considered by the ACCC under the streamlined collective bargaining arrangements for small business. Under the streamlined process, the ACCC will undertake to respond to requests for interim authorisation and issue a draft determination within 28 days of receiving an application and will finalise its consideration of the application within 3 months.

All publicly available submissions will be posted on the ACCC internet site at [www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister](http://www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister).

**Timetable**


The ACCC will progress its assessment of the application in a timely manner. An indicative timetable is set out below for your information.

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| <b>1 August 2011</b> | Lodgement of application and supporting submission. |
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| <b>3 August 2011</b>         | Public consultation process begins.   |
| <b>15 August 2011</b>        | Closing date for submissions on substantive application and interim authorisation.        |
| <b>by 29 August 2011</b>     | ACCC decision regarding interim authorisation and draft determination.                    |
| <b>August/September 2011</b> | Public consultation on draft determination including a pre-decision conference if called. |
| <b>October/November 2011</b> | Final determination.  |

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me on 03 9290 1893, or Gina D'Ettorre on 03 9290 1483.

Yours sincerely



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Director  
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