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Mr Graeme Sellar  
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**By email: [graeme@calms.net.au](mailto:graeme@calms.net.au)**

Dear Mr Sellar

**CALMS Ltd application for authorisation A91276  
- request for interim authorisation**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has decided to grant interim authorisation in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by CALMS on 23 September 2011. A copy of the ACCC's decision is attached.

Interim authorisation protects the arrangements for which authorisation is sought from legal action under the relevant provisions of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* while the ACCC considers and evaluates the merits of the application.

In particular, the ACCC grants CALMS authorisation to apply a capped fees schedule for the provision of medical deputised services in the Australian Capital Territory which includes after hours general medical services.

**Next steps**

For your information, the next step in the process is for the ACCC to release a draft determination which will take account of any submissions from CALMS and interested parties and will indicate the ACCC's preliminary views on the merits of the application. The ACCC will give both CALMS and interested parties the opportunity to provide a further submission on the draft determination before the ACCC issues its final decision.

As noted in the attached decision, the ACCC may review its decision on interim authorisation at any time. In this regard the ACCC will reconsider this decision at the time of issuing its draft determination. The ACCC's decision in relation to interim authorisation should not be taken to be indicative of whether or not final authorisation will be granted by the ACCC.

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 Marie Dalins on 03 9290 1893.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'R' followed by a horizontal line that extends to the right and then curves back up.

Dr Richard Chadwick  
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