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Dear Mr Simons

**Third line forcing notification N95329 lodged by Northern Territory of Australia
(represented by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Regional
Services)**

I refer to the above third line forcing notification lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 24 March 2011. The notification has been placed on the ACCC's public register.

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Regional Services proposes to supply Affordable Lots (in the Ridges Estate, Alice Springs) to eligible purchasers on condition that the purchaser enter into a contract for building and construction services with Scope Building NT Pty Ltd.

Legal immunity conferred by the notification commenced on 7 April 2011.

On the basis of the information that you have provided, it is not intended that further action be taken in this matter at this stage.

As with any notification, please note that the ACCC may act to remove the immunity afforded by the notification at a later stage if it is satisfied that the likely benefit to the public from the conduct will not outweigh the likely detriment to the public from the conduct.

This assessment has been made on the basis that the Department of Housing, Local Government and Regional Services and any other relevant parties will disclose all relevant terms and conditions to prospective clients.

A copy of 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 Clare McGinness on (03) 9290 6909.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Richard Chadwick', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dr Richard Chadwick
General Manager
Adjudication Branch