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Laura Bowles
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By email: ljbowles@bigpond.com

Dear Ms Bowles

Authorisations A91321 submitted by the Victorian Potato Growers Council (VPGC) and A91322 submitted by the South East Potato Growers Association (SEPGA) – request for material to be excluded from the public register

I refer to your submission dated 7 September 2012 (Your September Submission) regarding the above applications for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 10 July 2012 and 12 July 2012 respectively.

Your September Submission sought to provide further information in relation to the applications, which the ACCC requested. I have considered your request that your responses to four of the questions asked by the ACCC in relation to both of the applications (Part of Your September Submission) be excluded from the ACCC's public register.

As you may be 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 Part of Your September Submission will not be placed on the public register. Instead, the ACCC will redact Your September Submission and place this redacted version on the public register.

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

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Jasmine Tan on 02 6243 1363 or by email to jasmine.tan@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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

Dr Richard Chadwick
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