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Dear Mr Tebbey

**Australian Tyre Industry Council applications for authorisation (A91336-A91337) –
draft determination**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a draft determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by the Australian Tyre Industry Council (ATIC) on 28 September 2012.

Draft determination

A copy of the ACCC's draft determination and summary of its reasons is attached.

For the reasons set out in its draft determination, the ACCC proposes to grant authorisation for five years.

Next steps

If you wish to make a submission in response to the ACCC's draft determination, please lodge your submission by **Monday, 21 January 2013**.

Alternatively, the Applicant or any interested party may request that the ACCC convene a 'pre-decision conference'.

As you would be aware, a pre-decision conference provides the opportunity for interested parties to make oral submissions in relation to the draft determination. Conferences are conducted informally and while legal or professional advisers are able to attend they are not entitled to participate in the discussion.

If your client would like the ACCC to hold a pre-decision conference in relation to the draft determination you must notify the ACCC in writing by **Monday, 28 January 2013**.

The ACCC will consider any submissions it receives, including any oral submissions made should a pre-decision conference be called, and will then release a final determination in relation to these applications.

Submissions will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the ACCC's publication [Guidelines for excluding information from the public register](#).

Timetable

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

Indicative date	Stage in assessment process
28 September 2012	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
19 October 2012	Public consultation process begins.
December 2012	Draft determination.
January/February 2013	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
February/March 2013	Final determination.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter please contact Jaime Martin on (03) 9290 1477 (or at jaime.martin@acc.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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