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Mr Aldo Nicotra Partner Johnson Winter & Slattery Lawyers Level 20 Bond St Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Mr Nicotra

Applications for Authorisation (A91295, A91296, A91297) -Lodged by St Vincent's Health Australia & Ors **Interested Party Consultation**

I refer to the above mentioned application for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) pursuant to Part VII of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth) (the Act) on 23 March 2012 (the Applications).

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.

All publicly available submissions will be posted on the ACCC internet site at <www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister>. Alternatively, at the end of the consultation period the ACCC can arrange for you to receive a copy of all publicly available submissions received in relation to the application.

Timetable

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

23 March 2012	Lodgement of Applications and supporting submission.
5 April 2012	Public consultation process begins.

3 May 2012	Closing date for submissions from interested parties.
14 May 2012	Applicants respond to issues raised in the public consultation process.
June 2012	Draft determination.
July 2012	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
August/September 2012	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 Anna Giannakos on (03) 9290 6920 or by email anna.giannakos@accc.gov.au

Yours sincerely

Dr Richard Chadwick General Manager

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