



**Australian
Competition &
Consumer
Commission**

Our Ref: C2012/840
Contact Officer: Jasmine Tan
Contact Phone: 02 6243 1363

GPO Box 3131
Canberra ACT 2601
23 Marcus Clarke Street
Canberra ACT 2601
tel: (02) 6243 1111
fax: (02) 6243 1199
www.accc.gov.au

31 January 2013

Paul Holm
Director
c/o Anzarut & Holm Pty Ltd
Level 3, 117 York Street
Sydney NSW 2000

By email: prh@anzarut.com.au

Dear Mr Holm

**Re: Narta International Pty Ltd application for authorisation A91335
- PRE-DECISION CONFERENCE**

In its letter dated 24 January 2013 to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) Narta International Pty Ltd (Narta) has requested that the ACCC convene a conference in relation to the draft determination issued by the ACCC on 17 January 2013 proposing not to grant authorisation A91335.

As you are aware, the draft determination follows an application by Narta for authorisation in respect of a proposal to set a minimum advertising price on a range of consumer electrical goods. The ACCC concluded in its draft determination that overall it was not satisfied that the public benefit likely to flow from the proposed arrangements would outweigh the likely anti-competitive detriment and proposed to deny authorisation to the application.

A pre-decision conference provides a valuable opportunity for applicants and interested parties to make oral submissions to the ACCC about its draft determination.

The ACCC will hold the conference on **15 February 2013**, at the ACCC's Sydney office at Level 20, 175 Pitt Street, Sydney. The conference will commence at 10:30am. ACCC Commissioner, Dr Jill Walker, will chair the conference.

Under the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (the Act), the conference may be attended by the applicant and other interested parties. Please advise the ACCC of the names of Narta's representatives who will be attending and their position titles, and indicate who will be Narta's chief spokesperson. Please provide this information by **close of business on 8 February 2013**.

You may address this information to:

The General Manager
Adjudication Branch
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
PO Box 3131
CANBERRA ACT 2602

You can also notify the ACCC by e-mail to: adjudication@accc.gov.au or by facsimile on 02 6243 1211.

I would also note that, while conference participants may bring outside legal or other professional advisers to assist them, the Act prohibits these advisers from participating in conference discussions.

Attached for your information are procedures usually followed at pre-decision conferences.

A copy of this letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you require any further information in regard to the conference, please do not hesitate to contact Jasmine Tan on 02 6243 1363.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Richard Fleming', with a stylized, wavy line extending from the end.

Richard Fleming
Acting General Manager
Adjudication Branch