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Dear Mr Woodward and Ms Dollisson

Authorisation applications A91362 & A91363 submitted by Virgin Australia and Air New Zealand Limited– request for material to be excluded from the public register

I refer to the above applications for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 8 March 2013.

I have considered your request that the applicants' confidential submission be excluded from the ACCC's public register.

As you are 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 the confidential submission will not be placed on the public register.

This letter and the public version of the applicants' submission have been placed on the ACCC's public register.

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Mark Basile on (03) 9290 1855.

Yours sincerely

Dr Richard Chadwick General Manager Adjudication Branch