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Dear Mr Uthmeyer

**Authorisation submitted by Etihad Airways PJSC & Alitalia–
request for material to be excluded from the public register**

I refer to your clients' information response provided to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 1 December 2014. I have considered your request that the confidential version of the information response 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 version of the information response will not be placed on the public register.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. I note that you also provided a public version of your clients' information response. This version will be placed on the public register in the form it was provided to the ACCC.

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Tanya Hobbs on 02 6243 1029.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Dr Richard Chadwick'.

Dr Richard Chadwick
General Manager
Adjudication Branch