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Dear Sir/Madam

W.A.T.A.B Agents' Association Incorporated application for authorisation A91463 – final determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by W.A.T.A.B Agents' Association Incorporated (the Association) on 29 October 2014.

The Association sought authorisation for ten years to collectively bargain with Racing and Wagering Western Australia (RWVA), or any entity which holds the licence to conduct off-course totalisator operations for the purpose of section 4 of the *Racing and Wagering Western Australia Act 2003*:

- a) in relation to the terms and conditions of the provision of services by Association members to RWVA, and
- b) to represent members in the process for resolving disputes (as referred to the Disputes Review Committee) between RWVA and an agent or agents.

A copy of the ACCC's determination is attached, including a summary of its reasons. For the reasons set out in its determination, the ACCC has decided to grant authorisation until 30 January 2024. The ACCC's assessment is set out in the Evaluation chapter of its determination.

Application for review

Pursuant to section 101 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010*, a person dissatisfied with this determination may apply to the Australian Competition Tribunal for its review. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 7 January 2015. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 8 January 2015.

An application for review of the ACCC's determination should be lodged directly with the Australian Competition Tribunal. The Australian Competition Tribunal is a separate body from the ACCC and is located within the Federal Court of Australia.

For further information about the process involved in reviewing decisions in the Australian Competition Tribunal please refer to the tribunal's website located at <http://www.competitiontribunal.gov.au/>.

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 adjudication@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "D Hatfield". The signature is written in a cursive style with a blue highlight effect.

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