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Dear Mr McCowan and Mr Newton

## The Australian Paint Manufacturers' Federation Inc. & Ors - A91504 - interested party consultation

I refer to the above mentioned application for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 1 July 2015.

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.

1 July 2015	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
15 July 2015	Public consultation process begins.
7 August 2015	Closing date for submissions on application for authorisation.
August 2015	Applicants respond to issues raised in the public consultation process.

September 2015	Draft determination.
September/October 2015	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
October/November 2015	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 Hubert Wu on (03) 9658 6490 or Luke Griffin on (02) 6243 1114.

Yours sincerely

Darrell Channing

Director

Adjudication Branch