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Dear Ms Pritchard

Qantas & China Eastern applications for authorisation A91470 & A91471 – request for material to be excluded from the public register

I refer to the supplementary information you provided to the ACCC in relation to the above listed applications for authorisation, specifically:

- submission of 2 March 2015
- submission of 4 March 2015 (1st of 2)
- submission of 4 March 2015 (2nd of 2), and
- submission of 6 March 2015.

I have considered your request that the confidential submissions, including certain annexures (the confidential documents) 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 documents will not be placed on the public register.

This letter will be placed on the ACCC's public register.

I note that you also provided public versions of the 2 March 2015 and both 4 March 2015 submissions. These versions will be placed on the public register in the form they were provided to the ACCC.

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Georgina Brett on (03) 9658 6439.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized initial 'R' followed by a long horizontal line.

Dr Richard Chadwick
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