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Dear Sir/Madam

**Screen Producers Australia applications for authorisation A91484 & A91492  
– interested party consultation**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) is currently conducting a consultation process on applications for authorisation received from Screen Producers Australia (SPA) on 23 March 2015 and 13 April 2015.

SPA is seeking authorisation for five years for current and future members of SPA to:

- collectively negotiate model terms of engagement with the Australian Writers' Guild (AWG), the Media Entertainment and Arts Alliance (MEAA) and the Australian Directors Guild (ADG), and
- give effect to existing and future model terms of engagement when contracting with current and future members of AWG, MEAA and ADG.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you, as a potentially interested party, to comment on the applications. Please see the ACCC's publication [Authorisation process - the basics](#) for a summary of the authorisation process and how to make a submission to the ACCC.

A copy of the application is available on the ACCC's website [www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister](http://www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister).

**Request for submissions**

The ACCC invites you to make a submission on the likely public benefits and effect on competition, or any other public detriment, from the proposed conduct.

If you intend to provide a submission in relation to the application for authorisation please do so by **15 May 2015**. Submissions should be emailed to [adjudication@accc.gov.au](mailto:adjudication@accc.gov.au) with the subject "A91484 & A91492 – Screen Producers Australia – submission".

Alternatively, if you would like to provide comments orally, please contact Georgina Brett on 03 9658 6439 or via email [adjudication@acc.gov.au](mailto:adjudication@acc.gov.au) to organise a suitable time.

Submissions, including oral submissions, will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the ACCC's publication [Guidelines for excluding information from the public register](#).

### Timetable

The ACCC will progress its assessment of the applications in a timely manner. An indicative timetable is set out below for your information.

<b>Indicative date</b>	<b>Stage in assessment process</b>
23 March 2015	Lodgement of application A91484 and supporting submission.
13 April 2015	Lodgement of application A91492.
17 April 2015	Applicants confirm the scope of the conduct for which authorisation is sought.
20 April 2015	Public consultation process begins.
15 May 2015	Closing date for submissions on the application for authorisation.
22 May 2015	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
June 2015	Draft determination.
July 2015	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
August 2015	Final determination.

Please advise if you do not wish to make a submission at this time, but would like to be informed of the progress of the applications at the draft and final determination stages. If you are able to, please provide a nominated contact email address for future correspondence. You can also forward this letter to any other party who may wish to make a submission to the ACCC regarding the application.

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 Georgina Brett on 03 9658 6439 or adjudication@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G Jones', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gavin Jones  
Director  
Adjudication

**Screen Producers Australia - applications for authorisation A91484 & A91492**

**List of interested parties consulted**

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Australian Broadcasting Corporation  
Australian Communications and Media Authority  
Australian Directors Guild  
Australian Writers' Guild  
Department of Communications  
FOXTEL  
Media, Entertainment and Arts Alliance  
Network Ten  
Nine Entertainment  
Screen Australia  
Seven Network  
Special Broadcasting Service