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Dear Ms Fleming-Peace

Third line forcing notification N98243 lodged by Emirates Leisure Retail (Singapore) Pte Ltd

I refer to the above third line forcing notification lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 24 April 2015. It has been allocated the registration number N98243.

The protection from legal action provided by the notification commences automatically 14 days after the lodgement date, unless the ACCC objects.

On the basis of the information that you have provided, and that the parties will disclose all relevant terms and conditions to franchisees, the ACCC does not object to the notifications at this time.

If at any time circumstances change, or the ACCC receives further information, such that it is satisfied that the public benefits from the third line forcing conduct do not outweigh the public detriments, the ACCC may remove the protection provided by the notifications.

Confidentiality request

I have considered your request that the confidential version of Annexure A to the notification be excluded from the ACCC's public register.

As you are aware, the ACCC is generally required under section 95 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (the Act) to place documents provided to it in relation to a notification on the ACCC's public register. The Act provides that a person submitting a document in relation to a notification 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 Annexure A to the notification 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 Annexure A to the notification. 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 Georgina Brett on (03) 9658 6439.

Yours sincerely

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Adjudication Branch