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Dear Interested Party

Shopping Centre Council of Australia application for re-authorisation A91591 & A91592 - interested party consultation

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has received an application for authorisation from Shopping Centre Council of Australia (SCCA).

The ACCC invites you to comment on the application.

The application for re-authorisation

SCCA is seeking re-authorisation in relation to the Casual Mall Licensing Code of Practice which regulates the practice of casual mall licensing in shopping centres.

Casual mall licensing refers to agreements under which a person grants another person a right to occupy part of the common area of a retail shopping centre for the purpose of the sale of goods or the supply of services to the public. Licensees are not permitted to occupy the common area for more than 180 days and average bookings last 12 days.

SCCA seeks re-authorisation for a further five years until 31 December 2022.

A full copy of the application for authorisation is available on the ACCC's website 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 arrangements.

If you intend to provide a submission in relation to SCCA's application for authorisation, please do so by **25 August 2017**. Submissions should be emailed to adjudication@acc.gov.au with the subject '*A91591 & A91592 – Shopping Centre Council of Australia – submission*'.

Submissions, including oral submissions, will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion.

Timetable

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

26 July 2017	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
4 August 2017	Public consultation process begins.
25 August 2017	Closing date for submissions from interested parties.
August/September 2017	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
September/October 2017	Draft determination.
October/November 2017	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
December 2017	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 application at the draft and final determination stages.

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 Theo Kelly on (02) 6243 1179 or adjudication@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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