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Dear Sir/Madam

Transport Workers Union of Australia SA/NT Branch – collective bargaining application for authorisation A91589 (Whyalla) – draft determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) has issued a draft determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by the Transport Workers Union of Australia SA/NT Branch (the **TWU**) on 27 June 2017.

Draft determination

A copy of the ACCC's draft determination and summary of its reasons is attached.

For the reasons set out in its draft determination, the ACCC proposes to grant authorisation for five years.

Next steps

Once the ACCC issues a draft determination, the TWU or any interested party may make a written submission and/or request that the ACCC convene a 'pre-decision conference'.

If you wish to make a submission in response to the ACCC's draft determination, please lodge your submission by **13 October 2017**. Submissions should be emailed to adjudication@acc.gov.au with the subject "A91589 – Transport Workers Union (Whyalla) – submission".

A pre-decision conference provides the opportunity for interested parties to make oral submissions in relation to the draft determination. Conferences are conducted informally and while legal or professional advisers are able to attend they are not entitled to participate in the discussion.

If you wish the ACCC to hold a pre-decision conference in relation to the draft determination you must notify the ACCC in writing by **13 October 2017**.

The ACCC will consider any submissions it receives, including any oral submissions made should a pre-decision conference be called, and will then release a final determination in relation to this application.

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 continue to progress its assessment of the application in a timely manner. An updated indicative timetable is set out below for your information.

Indicative date	Stage in assessment process
27 June 2017	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
19 July 2017	Public consultation process begins.
3 August 2017	ACCC decision regarding interim authorisation.
27 September 2017	Draft determination.
October 2017	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
November 2017	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 Fei Wu on (03) 9290 1987 or adjudication@accc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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