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Dear Mr Guirguis

**LPO Group Limited – authorisation applications A91583 & A91584
Request for material to be excluded from the public register**

I refer to your applications for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 11 May 2017 regarding collective bargaining negotiations with Australian Postal Corporation.

I have considered your request that the confidential supporting submission and Annexures B and F to your applications for authorisation be excluded from the ACCC's public register.

The ACCC is generally required under section 89 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (the Act) to place documents lodged in relation to an application for authorisation on the ACCC's public register, subject to any claim for confidentiality over the information by reason of the sensitive nature of the information provided. It is expected that reasons to support such a request are provided.

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 supporting submission and Annexures B and F will not be placed on the public register. The ACCC will not disclose this information to any third parties, other than the ACCC's legal and economic advisors, without first obtaining your written consent or unless compelled to do so by law.

I note that you have provided a redacted public version of the supporting submission and this version will be placed on the public register in the form it was provided to the ACCC, along with this letter.

Further I confirm your advice that, although both Annexure D and Annexure E, being reports produced by Partners in Performance International, are marked 'confidential', they are in fact public documents which have already been published on LPO Group's website, and can be published on the ACCC's public register.

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Anna Pound on (03) 9290 6920 or by email to adjudication@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Jones', with a stylized flourish at the end.

David Jones
General Manager
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