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Sent via email

Dear Sir / Madam

eRx Script Exchange Pty Ltd (eRx) application for authorisation A91579 — interim authorisation decision

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has decided to grant interim authorisation in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by eRx on 28 April 2017.

A copy of the ACCC's interim authorisation decision is attached.

Interim authorisation protects the arrangements for which authorisation is sought from legal action under the relevant provisions of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* while the ACCC considers and evaluates the merits of the application.

As noted in the interim authorisation decision, the ACCC's decision can be reviewed at any time and should not be taken to be indicative of whether or not final authorisation will be granted by the ACCC.

Next steps

For your information, the next step in the process is for the ACCC to release a draft determination which will take account of any submissions from eRx and interested parties and will indicate the ACCC's preliminary views on the merits of the application. The ACCC will give eRx and interested parties the opportunity to provide a further submission on the draft determination before the ACCC issues its final decision. As previously advised, the ACCC is currently aiming to release a draft determination in July.

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 Jaime Martin on (03) 9290 1477 (or at jaime.martin@accc.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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