

3rd of August 2020

Darrell Channing
Director | Merger and Authorisation Review
Australian Competition & Consumer Commission
23 Marcus Clarke Street Canberra 2601

Dear Mr Channing,

I refer to your email of 31 July 2020 in relation to the ANF authorisation for collective bargaining.

You raise the issue of compliance with conditions imposed by the ACCC. I am surprised to get this request at this stage. As you indicate we advised the ACCC in 2015 that, in accordance with the conditions imposed by the ACCC, "Tabcorp (formerly Tatts)" was added to the counterparty list. No other parties have been added since then.

It was an oversight not to lodge annual reports, but, as we reported the only addition, we did not focus on the need to submit the annual reports. We are surprised that the ACCC did not raise the issue with us until now.

The anniversary of the authorisation is 1 August and by way of formal notification we advise the Commission that for the 2020 report that the counterparties are the list contained in the authorisation decision plus Tabcorp.

Kind regards

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