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Mr Andrew Sheridan
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Dear Mr Sheridan

Re: Extension on Assessment of Undertaking

In accordance with section 152BU(7) of the *Trade Practices Act*, the Commission is providing Optus with written notice that it is extending the six-month period for a period of three months for the assessment of the Optus 2007 Undertaking until 13 December 2007.

The Commission is unable to make a decision on the Optus 2007 Undertaking within the six-month period for the following reasons:

1. Optus did not provide all the relevant documentation for its original submission in a timely manner so that the Commission or other interested parties could review the basis for its proposal. Optus submitted the Undertaking on 16 February 2007. Optus did not provide a confidential supporting submission to the Commission until 13 March 2007. Optus provided a public version of its submission on 16 March 2007.
2. Submissions on the Commission's draft decision to reject the Optus 2007 Undertaking were due on 6 August 2007. Optus, as the proponent of the Optus 2007 Undertaking, did not provide its submission until 15 August 2007. This delay affected the Commission's ability to properly consider the Undertaking within the six-month period, which was due to end on 13 September 2007.

The Commission requires additional time to complete its analysis of the Optus 2007 Undertaking.

If you have any queries please feel free to contact Mr Shane Adams on (02) 9230 9194 or myself on (03) 92901864.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "R. Wright." The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'R'.

Robert Wright
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