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Mr Warwick Hough  
Director  
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Australian Medical Association Limited

***By email: [whough@ama.com.au](mailto:whough@ama.com.au)***

Dear Mr Hough

**Re: Australian Medical Association (AMA) Limited – application for re-authorisation A91599 – interested party consultation**

I refer to the above mentioned application for re-authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 1 September 2017.

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a draft determination in respect of the above application for re-authorisation from the AMA.

A copy of the ACCC's decision is attached. For the reasons outlined in the decision, the ACCC proposes to grant authorisation for ten years.

**Next steps**

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

If you wish to make a submission in response to the draft determination, please do so by **23 January 2018**.

Written submissions should be emailed to **[adjudication@acc.gov.au](mailto:adjudication@acc.gov.au)** with the subject "A91599 – re-authorisation – Australian Medical Association – 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 **16 January 2018**.

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 these applications.

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

1 September 2017	Application and supporting submission lodged.
11 September 2017	Public consultation begins.
6 December 2017	Draft determination.
December 2017/ January 2018	Public consultation on draft determination.
Late February 2018	Final determination.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss this matter please contact Jaime Martin on 03 9290 1477 or [jaime.martin@acc.gov.au](mailto:jaime.martin@acc.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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