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Dear Interested Party

Coles Group Limited – Application for re-authorisation AA1000606 – final determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) has issued a determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by Coles Group Limited (**Coles**) on 9 March 2022.

Coles sought re-authorisation on behalf of itself, Woolworths Group Limited, ALDI Stores and Metcash Limited, and any Other Approved Supermarkets who have obtained ACCC approval, to continue to cooperate to ensure the supply and fair and equitable distribution of Retail Products to Australian consumers in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

For the reasons set out in its determination, the ACCC has decided to grant authorisation, with conditions, until 31 March 2023.

A copy of the ACCC's determination is **attached** and also available on the ACCC's [authorisations public register](#).

Application for review

Pursuant to section 101 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth), a person dissatisfied with this determination may apply to the Australian Competition Tribunal for its review. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 12 October 2022. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 13 October 2022.

An application for review of the ACCC's determination should be lodged directly with the Australian Competition Tribunal. The Australian Competition Tribunal is a separate body from the ACCC and is located within the Federal Court of Australia.

For further information about the process involved in reviewing decisions in the Australian Competition Tribunal please refer to the tribunal's website located at <http://www.competitiontribunal.gov.au/>.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter please contact Miriam Kolacz via miriam.kolacz@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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