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To   Mr Tom Lyle
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      Mergers, Exemptions and Digital Division
      Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
      By mail: exemptions@accc.gov.au

Dear Mr Lyle

Telco Together Foundation & Ors – Application for authorisation (AA1000555)

I refer to the application for authorisation by my client, the Telco Together Foundation (**TTF**) lodged on behalf of itself and its current and future members on 26 May 2021 (**Application**).

Further to our discussions in the last week, TTF's proposed arrangements in relation to its plans for identifying and addressing modern slavery risks have evolved since the Application was lodged, and as such, the proposed conduct that will or may require authorisation is likely to be different to that which is the subject of the current Application.

Unfortunately, the further initiatives that TTF is planning remain in the development stage, and TTF requires more time in order to establish the necessary commercial and operational arrangements that it now believes will be the mainstay of its proposed modern slavery initiatives, before providing the ACCC with updated information.

In light of the time that has passed since the Application was lodged, and the statutory timetable that is prescribed for authorisations pursuant to Division 1 of Part VII of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth) (**CCA**), TTF considers it would be appropriate to withdraw the current Application, with the intention to submit a revised application at a later time. Accordingly, the purpose of this letter is to request withdrawal of the Application, pursuant to s 88(7) of the CCA.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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