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Dear Daniel

## ANZ proposed acquisition of SBGH Limited – Merger authorisation application

We refer to the submission of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank dated 3 March 2023, which was provided to us on 24 March 2023 and published on the ACCC's public register on the same date. Suncorp Group Limited (**Suncorp**) is in the process of preparing a substantive response to the Bendigo submission.

We understand that the ACCC will publish its statement of preliminary views this week.

Given the Bendigo submission was only made available on 24 March 2023 and publication of the statement of preliminary views is imminent, Suncorp intends to respond to the Bendigo submission at the same time as responding to the statement of preliminary views.

Suncorp requests that this letter be published on the ACCC's public register so that interested parties are aware that Suncorp will be providing a substantive response to the Bendigo submission and that, in the circumstances, the earliest opportunity to do so is in response to statement of preliminary views.

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Yours sincerely

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