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Hannah Ransom
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
Contact Officer
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Re British American Tobacco Australia Limited & Ors application for authorisation A91550 – interested party consultation

Dear Hannah

I represent Drakes Supermarkets operating 60 stores across South Australia and Queensland.

I believe that the joining of the three companies, namely British American Tobacco Australia Limited, Philip Morris Limited and Imperial Tobacco Australia Limited will have a positive effect on reducing contraband, counterfeit and unbranded tobacco products.

If this can be reduced, it will not only lower the sale of products that do not have the stringent quality controls as these three major companies listed above; it will also ensure the correct amount of tax is collected and paid.

Please accept this letter as my submission in relation to the application for authorisation.

Yours sincerely

Roger Drake Managing Director Drakes Supermarkets