

Dear Committee Chair

Unfortunately PACIA is unable to present at the Hearings, however, I can advise that PACIA works closely with its sister industry Association, ACCORD Australasia Limited. In the matter of the proposals and amendments PACIA shares common views with ACCORD and PACIA supports the ACCORD submission.

PACIA is the advocate for the Australian plastics and chemicals sectors. Turnover in these sectors is approximately \$A32.5 billion, industry value added \$A9.6 billion, and wages and salaries \$A4.7 billion. Employment in the sectors is about 85,000 people directly. The chemicals and plastics sectors represent between 9-10% of total Australian manufacturing activity. The Australian chemicals and plastics industries are strategically important to the Australian economy.

If we can be of further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards

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