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Justice Ross President Fair Work Commission

By email to: chambers.ross.j@fwc.gov.au.

Subjects: COVID-19 Award Flexibility Schedules - (AM2020/93)

We write on behalf of the members of the Newsagents Association on NSW and ACT Ltd (NANA) and also on behalf of the Australian Newsagents Federation Ltd trading as Australian Lotteries and Newsagents Association (ALNA).

Both organisations have considered the merits of the extension of Schedule X – Additional measures during the COVID-19 pandemic as proposed in the President's Statement on behalf of the Full Bench ([2020] FWCFB 4986, COVID-19 Award Flexibility Schedules (AM2020/93)).

Both NANA and ALNA support the extension of Schedule X in the General Retail Industry Award 2010 (and the 2020 Award – plain language version) which will extend the operation of Schedule X beyond 30 September 2020 through to 29 March 2021.

In the event submissions opposing the Full Bench's provisional view as contained in the above referenced Statement are received by the Commission, we would be pleased if the Commission's staff notifies us so that we may appear in any subsequent hearing.

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