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Commissioner Neil Byron
The Market for Retail Tenancy Leases in Australia Inquiry
Productivity Commission
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Dear Commissioner Byron

INQUIRY INTO THE MARKET FOR RETAIL TENANCY LEASES

I acknowledge the opportunity to make an initial submission to this inquiry. I also thank you for meeting with the Commissioner for Consumer Affairs, Mark Bodycoat, and his officers, to informally discuss issues relevant to your terms of reference during your visit to Adelaide with Commissioner Steve Kates and Assistant Commissioner Paul Gretton, on 25 July 2007.

As the Commissioner indicated at your meeting, the Office of Consumer and Business Affairs is not currently aware of significant issues in relation to the operation of the South Australian *Retail and Commercial Leases Act 1995*.

While it therefore does not seem appropriate to make an initial submission to the Inquiry, I reserve the right to make a final submission following the release of the Inquiry's draft report.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jennifer Rankine'. The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name and title.

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