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THE WAREHOUSE GROUP LIMITED

The Warehouse to join Commerce Commission Appeal

The Warehouse Group Limited advises that it will join the appeals by Woolworths Limited and the Foodstuffs (being Foodstuffs (Auckland) Ltd, Foodstuffs (Wellington) Co-operative Society Ltd and Foodstuffs South Island Ltd) against the New Zealand Commerce Commission's decision dated 8 June 2007 declining clearance applications by those companies to acquire up to 100% of shares in or the assets of The Warehouse Group Limited.

The Warehouse Board Chairman, Keith Smith, commented that "in exercising its right to join the appeals, the Board wished to ensure that the company was appropriately placed to provide such market and other relevant evidence as the High Court may require to determine the appeals. Our advice was that this was best achieved through exercising our statutory right to join the existing appeals."

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