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Targeted Commerce Act Review Competition and Consumer Policy Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment PO Box 1473 Wellington

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To whom it may concern

Cross - submission on the Targeted Review of the Commerce Act 1986

Thank you for the opportunity to provide additional feedback via cross-submission to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (**MBIE**) on the Targeted Review of the Commerce Act 1986 (**Issues Paper**).

ANZ's position has not changed, having considered the Commerce Commission's 2 June 2016 letter to the Minister of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

ANZ's view remains:

- The policy underpinning section 36 as currently drafted is appropriate and should be retained.
- The current drafting and interpretation of section 36, including the requirement for counterfactual analysis, is effective in most circumstances.
- If counterfactual analysis is found to have limitations, then the best option is to improve that analysis incrementally rather than engage in wholesale reform.
- A formal market study power should not be introduced in New Zealand.

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Once again, we thank MBIE for the opportunity to have input into the Commerce Act review.

Yours sincerely

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