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Thank you for your letter of 5 May 2022.

We are pleased to observe the Commission is proposing to renew the block exemption order for vessel sharing agreements largely in line with the original order issued in 2017 ("**Order**").

While we find it unnecessary to shorten the term of the Order to four years, we support the proposal to renew the Order as outlined in the "Commission Proposal to Vary (Renew) the Competition (Block Exemption For Vessel Sharing Agreements) Order 2017".

Regards,

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