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COMPETITION AUTHORITY ISSUES OPEN LETTER TO SCAFFOLDING BUSINESSES TO ENCOURAGE COMPLIANCE WITH THE COMPETITION LAW.

Drawing on our ongoing sector review into Jersey’s construction sector, the Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority (the Authority) has issued an open letter to businesses operating in Jersey’s scaffolding industry. The purpose of the letter is to raise awareness of, and compliance with, the Island’s competition law.

We have received information which suggests that competition may not be working effectively in this sector, and we want to hear from consumers and businesses about any past, current or potential anti-competitive behaviour they may have experienced in this sector.

We are not alleging that any scaffolding businesses have broken the law, but from the information we have already received, some concerns have been raised regarding pricing.

Tim Ringsdore, CEO of the JCRA, said: “Competition benefits everyone—consumers, businesses, and the wider economy. It is therefore important that we act to identify and stop anti-competitive behaviours within Jersey’s markets.

“Where suspected breaches of the competition law are identified we may investigate and if necessary take enforcement action. I can assure everyone that information received will be treated in confidence.”

The open letter is attached for reference.

About Competition Law in Jersey

The Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority is responsible for upholding and enforcing competition law in Jersey. Our aim is that Jersey’s markets work efficiently for consumers, businesses and the wider economy by encouraging innovation, investment, value for money, choice and quality. This helps make Jersey an attractive place to do business.

We have a range of competition tools available to us, from market studies, competition letters through to investigation and enforcement. It is our responsibility to deploy that full set of tools to make the best use of our finite resource to deliver this aim.

Our website contains information and guidance on how businesses may spot and avoid anti-competitive behaviour: [Avoiding anti-competitive behaviour | JCRA](#).

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About The Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority:

The Authority was established under the Competition Regulatory Authority (Jersey) Law 2001. It is responsible for administering and enforcing the Competition (Jersey) Law 2005 and also regulates the telecoms and postal sectors and the Ports of Jersey.

The Authority strives to ensure that the markets work well for the benefit of all stakeholders, including Government, business, citizens and consumers facilitating best value, choice and access to high quality services.