



FAIR TRADING COMMISSION

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FTC provides opinion on franchise arrangement

The FTC conducted a review of a Dealer Licence in the petroleum industry and concluded that some of the clauses potentially raise competition issues under the FCA; while other clauses do not. Notably, the issues raised require subsequent economic analyses to arrive at a conclusive finding on liability. In this regard, the issues may be ultimately ventilated by way of an appropriate application for authorization under section 29 of the FCA.

The review was requested by the Jamaica Gasolene Retailers Association (JGRA) in December 2016. The JGRA had alleged that the Licence prepared by a petroleum marketing company had certain clauses that are in contravention of section 17(1) of the FCA.