

From: Anneke Van der Weyde
Sent: Monday, 8 April 2024 2:51 PM
To: Gabrielle Lowe
Cc: Roslyn Hiser
Subject: RE: [REDACTED] - Accredited Assessor Application [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi Gabrielle,

Thanks for your patience on this one.

Please see below the response that can be provided to [REDACTED]

Can you please bcc me into the response, and also let me know once a response has been received.

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your application to become an accredited assessor with ACMA.

In accordance with paragraph 11(1)(f) of the *Radiocommunications Accreditation (Amateur Radio Examination) Rules 2023*, the ACMA must have regard to whether you had been removed from the AMC's List of Authorised Assessors before 13 December 2023. As you informed us, you ceased to be an assessor before 13 December 2023.

The ACMA is also aware of:

- (a) a possible disagreement between you and the AMC regarding the conduct of examinations, including in relation to the use of a private residence; and
 - (b) a possible deterioration of the working relationship between you and the AMC and its staff;
- before you ceased to be an assessor for the AMC.

Before the ACMA makes a decision on your application for accreditation, you are being given the opportunity to provide us with any information, and provide us with your views, about the possible disagreement between you and the AMC regarding the conduct of examinations, and your working relationship with the AMC.\

Kind regards
Spectrum Licencing Policy Section

Kind regards,
Anneke

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From: Gabrielle Lowe <Gabrielle.Lowe@acma.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, February 28, 2024 3:54 PM
To: Anneke Van der Weyde <Anneke.VanderWeyde@acma.gov.au>; Roslyn Hiser <Roslyn.Hiser@acma.gov.au>
Subject: Andrew Smith - Accredited Assessor Application [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi Anneke and Ros

Please see below a draft email to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] has applied to become an accredited assessors with the ACMA and has indicated on his application that his accreditation was withdrawn by the AMC. As per the delegation

guidance, I am reaching out to him to seek clarification on why his accreditation was withdrawn and what steps he will put in place to ensure further breaches of the guidelines do not occur.

Kind regards

Gabrielle

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your application to become an accredited assessor with ACMA.

On your application you indicate that the AMC has withdrawn your accreditation within the last five years. We have reached out to the AMC and they provided the following reason of aggressive behaviour and almost constant badgering emails as to why your accreditation was withdrawn. We are reaching out to you to see what your understating is of why your accreditation was withdrawn by the AMC.

I have attached the [ACMA Accredited Assessor Guidelines](#) to this email. We require all assessors to read and agree to abide by these guidelines to become accredited. Considering the circumstances of the AMC withdrawing your accreditation—taking into account the accredited assessor guidelines, specifically 2.7 (pg. 5): Accredited assessors must act in a professional and respectful manner and comply with the law at all times—are you able to identify and outline any steps you intend to take to prevent any breaches of the guidelines occurring in the future?

We look forward to a response from you by 6 March 2024.

Kind regards

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