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## Publication of Draft Guidelines for Competition in the South African Automotive Aftermarket Industry

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## 1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Competition Commission ("Commission") has issued draft Guidelines for Competition in the South African Automotive Aftermarket Industry prepared in terms of section 79(1) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended ("the Act"). This section provides that the Commission may prepare guidelines to indicate its approach on any matter falling within its jurisdiction in terms of the Act. These guidelines are not binding on the Commission, the Competition Tribunal or the Competition Appeal Court in the exercise of their respective discretion, or their interpretation of the Act.
- 1.2 The draft Guidelines are published to allow for comment from all interested parties and are available on the Commission's website, at <a href="http://www.compcom.co.za/guidelines/">http://www.compcom.co.za/guidelines/</a>.
- 1.3 The deadline to provide comments is 16 March 2020, 17:00 (SA time). Written comments must be submitted to Advocacy@compcom.co.za. For enquiries contact Mr Sipho Mtombeni at (012) 394 3378.