

IN THE COMPETITION APPEAL TRIBUNAL

Case: 1048/1/1/05

BETWEEN:

DOUBLE QUICK SUPPLYLINE LIMITED

Appellant

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OFFICE OF FAIR TRADING

Respondent

ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL

UPON considering Decision CA98/08/2004 of 8 November 2004, the appellant's notice of appeal dated 7 January 2005 and the respondent's provisional defence dated 3 March 2005;

AND UPON hearing the legal representatives of the parties at a case management conference held on 10 February 2005 and 8 March 2005;

AND UPON the respondent giving an undertaking to the Tribunal either to:

- (a) file and serve a Defence on the Tribunal and the appellant respectively by 5 p.m. on 22 March 2005; or
- (b) serve a statement of objections upon the appellant under Rule 4 of The Competition Act 1998 (Office of Fair Trading's Rules) Order 2004, SI 2004 No. 2751 ("the OFT Rules") by 5 p.m. on 22 March 2005

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. If the respondent files and serves a Defence pursuant the undertaking set out above, the procedure shall be as follows:
 - (a) The appellant shall file and serve any reply and/or written submissions by 12.00 p.m. on 1 April 2005;

- (b) The respondent shall file and serve any further written submissions by 12.00 p.m. on 5 April 2005; and
- (c) A case management conference be fixed for 10.30 a.m. on 7 April 2005.
- 2. If the Respondent serves a statement of objections pursuant to the undertaking set out above:
 - (a) The procedure to be followed shall be in accordance with the OFT Rules; and
 - (b) The proceedings be stayed pending the resolution of the matter in accordance with paragraph (a) above.
- 3. The costs be reserved.
- 4. There be permission to apply.

Marion Simmons QC
Chairman of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Made: 8 March 2005

Drawn: 10 March 2005