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Dear Exhibitor,

SSAA Shot Expo

In September, we wrote to you to let you know that we were reviewing arrangements in relation to future SSAA Shot Expos.

These Expos had been operated by Exhibitions Group Pty Ltd for a number of years, under contracts with SSAA National and local associations in each State.

As you have likely heard, Exhibitions Group Pty Ltd has now ceased business in Australia, and appointed liquidators.

The SSAA is disappointed by this outcome, as the Expos have always been valuable events for our industry and community to gather. We are working on alternative arrangements for future Expos, and will be in touch again as these plans progress. We hope that you will continue to be a part of those Expos again in future.

In the interim, we understand that Mr Nissen has been in contact with a number of exhibitors, stating that the SSAA was unwilling to continue with upcoming Expos. As per our letter in September, we remained committed to the Expos. In this respect, we had been attempting to schedule dates to mediate a number of issues with Exhibitions Group Pty Ltd shortly before the latest developments.

Given the uncertainty regarding Exhibitions Group Pty Ltd's financial position <u>at the time</u>, and the viability of future Expos as a result, we had felt it necessary to warn Exhibitors against committing to future Expos until such time as matters had been resolved. If you have paid any amounts to Exhibitions Group in advance of Expos planned to be held next year in Melbourne and Brisbane, you should seek independent advice regarding whether you are able to make a claim to recover some or all of these amounts as part of the liquidation process.

SSAA National, along with a number of State associations, is owed significant amounts of money by Exhibitions Group Pty Ltd. We are now taking appropriate steps to recover these amounts.



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Now that liquidators have been appointed, they exercise control of Exhibitions Group Pty Ltd, and Mr Nissen no longer has any authority to act on behalf of the company, or any ability to return funds from the company to you.

We will continue to update you regarding the arrangements for future Expos, and we look forward to working with you in making these Expos a success.

We appreciate your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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