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CASE REPORT

1. Complaint reference number244/002. AdvertiserWarner-Lambert Consumer Health Care Pty Ltd (Schick FX
Diamond Razor)3. ProductToiletries4. Type of advertisementTV5. Nature of complaintPortrayal of sex/sexuality/nudity – section 2.36. Date of determinationTuesday, 8 August 20007. DETERMINATIONDismissed

DESCRIPTION OF THE ADVERTISEMENT

The television advertisement portrays a man and woman in a car, with a male voiceover: 'A diamond? Is she serious?' The scene moves to another woman sidling up to the man in a cinema and the voiceover: 'We've only been out once, and she wants a diamond?' To shots of the product, another male voiceover says: 'If you want to get close, get the new Schick FX diamond razor. Alpha diamond blade starts sharper and stays sharper for a diamond closeness shave after shave'. With a third woman, the man is shown shaving in a bathroom, a towel about his waist, to the voiceover: 'The diamond definitely brought us closer. The Schick FX Diamond. The feel of smart design'.

THE COMPLAINT

Comments which the complainant made regarding this advertisement included the following:

'It is quite evident that the makers of (this ad) are oblivious to the amount of insolence and vulgarity they are communicating through (this commercial).'

THE DETERMINATION

The Advertising Standards Board ('the Board') considered whether this advertisement breached Section 2 of the Advertiser Code of Ethics ('the Code').

The Board determined that the material within the advertisement did not contravene prevailing community standards in its depiction of sex/sexuality/

nudity and that the advertisement did not breach the Code on this or any other ground. The Board, accordingly, dismissed the complaint.