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Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: AA1000433 - APRA - submission

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft determination for the Australasian Performing Right Association (APRA) to continue its arrangements for the acquisition and licensing of performing rights in musical works.

The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) is pleased to see that many of the issues that we raised previously about Councils' concerns with the new "OneMusic" licensing arrangements have been addressed in the draft determination.

In particular we are supportive of the focus on greater transparency and a more consultative approach with licensees such as the methodology for "calculating its licence fees for each licence category, including relevant data, economic analysis or examination, and matters taken into consideration in determining each licence fee."

We are also supportive of greater transparency about how APRA distributes payments to artists and strengthening of the dispute resolution process.

Please contact Liz de Chastel, Senior Policy Adviser on telephone: 02 6122 9443 if you would like any further information.

Yours sincerely

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