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Dear Madam/Sir

## BP Australia Pty Ltd & Ors applications for authorisation A91580, A91581 & A91582—interested party consultation

Further to my letter of 20 October 2017, the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has now received a further submission from the Applicants in regard to the applications for authorisation from BP Australia Pty Ltd & Ors.

## **Request for submissions**

The ACCC invites you to make a submission in response to the Applicants' further submission (**attached**). You may wish to respond to particular issues raised by the Applicants in their submission such as the Applicants' proposed undertakings, or more generally on the likely public benefits and effect on competition, or any other public detriment, from the proposed arrangements.

If you intend to provide a submission please do so by **8 November 2017**. Submissions should be emailed to <a href="mailto:adjudication@accc.gov.au">adjudication@accc.gov.au</a> with the subject 'A91580, A91581 & A91582 – BP Australia Pty Ltd & Ors – submission'.

Alternatively, if you would like to provide comments orally, please contact Elizabeth Batten on (02) 6243 1359 to organise a suitable time.

Submissions made in relation to the applications for authorisation, including oral submissions, will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion (guidelines are attached).

## **Timetable**

As set out in my letter of 20 October 2017, the statutory timeframe for the ACCC to assess these applications for authorisation has been extended to 15 December 2017. A condensed indicative timetable including steps in the process that have occurred to date, is set out below for your information.

28 April 2017	Lodgement of application and supporting submission
29 August 2017	Draft determination
31 October 2017	Applicants provided submission on the draft

	determination
31 October 2017	Consultation with interested parties in relation to information and issues raised in the Applicants' further submission
8 November 2017	Closing date for submissions in response to the Applicants' further submission
December 2017	Final determination

You can forward this letter to any other party who may wish to make a submission to the ACCC regarding the applications.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Elizabeth Batten on (02) 6243 1359 or <a href="mailto:adjudication@accc.gov.au">adjudication@accc.gov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely

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