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Dear Sir/Madam

Council Solutions application for authorisation AA1000414 – interested party consultation

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) is currently conducting a consultation process on an application for authorisation received from Council Solutions on 14 March 2018.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you, as a potentially interested party, to comment on the application. Please see the ACCC's publication [Authorisation process – the basics](#) for a summary of the authorisation process and how to make a submission to the ACCC.

Application for authorisation

Council Solutions, on behalf of the Cities of Adelaide, Charles Sturt, Marion and Port Adelaide Enfield (Participating Councils), seeks authorisation to jointly procure the collection of domestic waste, recyclables and organics through the utilisation of a 3-Bin system, including the supply and maintenance of mobile garbage bins, through a collaborative competitive tender process.

This application for authorisation is for collection services only. Council Solutions intends to submit further applications for separate request for tenders for processing service streams and ancillary service streams in the near future. The ACCC will run separate public consultation processes in relation to these applications when they are lodged.

A copy of the application is available on the ACCC's website:
www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister.

Request for submissions

The ACCC invites you to make a submission on the likely public benefits and effect on competition, or any other public detriment, from the proposed arrangement.

If you intend to provide a submission in relation to the application for authorisation, please do so by **18 April 2018**. Submissions should be emailed to adjudication@acc.gov.au with the subject "AA1000414– Council Solutions – submission".

Alternatively, if you would like to provide comments orally, please contact Tessa Cramond on 03 9658 6516 or via email (Tessa.cramond@acc.gov.au) to organise a suitable time.

Submissions, including oral submissions, will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the ACCC's publication [Guidelines for excluding information from the public register](#).

Timetable

The ACCC will progress its assessment of the application in a timely manner. An indicative timetable is set out below for your information.

| Indicative date | Stage in assessment process |
|------------------------------|--|
| 14 March 2018 | Lodgement of application. |
| 27 March 2018 | Public consultation process begins. |
| 18 April 2018 | Closing date for submissions from interested parties. |
| May 2018 | Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process. |
| June 2018 | Draft determination. |
| July/August 2018 | Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called. |
| August/September 2018 | Final determination. |

If you have any queries in relation to this matter, please contact Tessa Cramond on (03) 9658 6516 (or at tessa.cramond@accc.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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Adjudication

List of Interested Parties – Council Solutions– application for authorisation – AA1000414

Adelaide Hills Council

Australian Council of Recycling

Bettatrans Pty Ltd

Blue Bins Waste Pty Ltd

Business SA

City of Campbelltown

City of Charles Sturt

City of Marion

City of Mitcham

City of Onkaparinga

City of Playford

City of Port Adelaide Enfield

City of Prospect

City of Salisbury

City of Tea Tree Gully

City of Unley

City of West Torrens

Corporation of the City of Adelaide

Cleanaway Waste Management

East Waste

Hatch Waste and Recycling

J.J. Richards

Just Co Services

Mastec

NAWMA

Office of the Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman

Office of Green Industries South Australia

Office of the Small Business Commissioner South Australia

Oz Bin Cleaning

Phoenix Energy

REMONDIS Australia

Scout Recycling Centre

Solo

South Australian Waste Industry Network

Southern Waste Resource Co

SRWRA

Signal Waste

Suez Environment

Trident Plastics

Veolia

Waste Management Association of Australia

Waste & Recycling of South Australia