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By email

Dear Sir or Madam

### **Urban Renewal Authority, trading as Renewal SA, application for authorisation AA1000426—interested party consultation**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (**ACCC**) has received an application for authorisation from Urban Renewal Authority (**Renewal SA**). The ACCC invites you to comment on the application. A summary of the authorisation process including how to make a submission to the ACCC is provided below.

Renewal SA owns land and/or existing housing developments in the Greater Adelaide region, which it sells to developers who construct buildings on the land or upgrade the existing structures on the land.

Renewal SA is seeking authorisation because, in purchasing land or existing structures, developers may be asked to agree to conditions, which have the effect of capping prices, agreeing to rent or sell to specified tenants or purchasers, agreeing to cap building costs, and Renewal SA and developers agreeing not to compete during a defined period. These arrangements are intended to increase the stock of affordable housing in the Greater Adelaide region, however they may be considered to be anti-competitive or include cartel provisions.

A full copy of the application for authorisation is available on the ACCC's public register [www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister](http://www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister). Alternatively, you can contact Simon Bell on 02 6243 1232 to obtain a hard copy of the application and supporting submission.

### **Request for submission**

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 arrangements.

If you intend to provide a submission in relation to Renewal SA's application for authorisation, please do so by **Wednesday 8 August 2018**. Submissions should be emailed to [adjudication@acc.gov.au](mailto:adjudication@acc.gov.au) with the subject '*AA1000426 – Renewal SA – submission*'.

Submissions will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion (exclusion guidelines are attached).

## Timetable

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

<b>12 July 2018</b>	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
<b>25 July 2018</b>	Public consultation process begins.
<b>8 August 2018</b>	Closing date for submissions from interested parties.
<b>17 August 2018</b>	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
<b>September 2018</b>	Draft determination.
<b>September/October 2018</b>	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
<b>October/November 2018</b>	Final determination.

Please advise if you do not wish to make a submission at this time, but would like to be informed of the progress of the application at the draft and final determination stages. If you are able to, please provide a nominated contact email address for future correspondence.

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

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 Simon Bell on 02 6243 1232 or me on 02 6243 1266 or contact the ACCC via email - [adjudication@accc.gov.au](mailto:adjudication@accc.gov.au) .

Yours sincerely



David Hatfield  
Director  
Adjudication Branch

## **List of interested parties consulted**

Local Government Association of South Australia

Real Estate Institute of South Australia

Real Estate Institute of Australia

Master Builders of South Australia

Master Builders Australia

Housing Industry Association

Housing SA

Common Ground Adelaide

Unity Housing

Peet Limited

Lendlease

Hickinbotham

Rossdale Homes

Adelaide Development Company

Metricon

Buildtec

CIC Limited

Divine Group

Actium Land

Connekt Urban Projects

Common Ground Adelaide

Unity Housing

Roksolid

Qatto

Connektup

Metro Property Development

Kookaburra Homes

Burbank

Affordable Family Homes

Fairmont Homes

Integrity New Homes

Oakford Homes

Rendition Homes

Rivergum Homes

Scott Salisbury Homes

Sarah Homes

Sterling Homes

Weeks Building Group