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Dear Sir/Madam

AgStewardship Australia Limited application for re-authorisation AA1000429—final determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a determination in respect of the application for re-authorisation lodged by AgStewardship Australia Limited (AgStewardship) on 21 August 2018.

AgStewardship sought re-authorisation for the operation of its drumMUSTER and ChemClear programs, which provide for the collection of used, unwanted, empty agricultural and veterinary chemical containers and chemicals, funded by a voluntary levy on manufacturers and suppliers of the chemicals. AgStewardship sought to increase the levy, which has been 4 cents per litre/kg since it was first imposed in 1999, to 6 cents per litre/kg.

A copy of the ACCC's determination is attached, including a summary of its reasons. For the reasons set out in its determination, the ACCC has decided to grant re-authorisation until 10 January 2024.

Application for review

Pursuant to section 101 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010*, a person dissatisfied with this determination may apply to the Australian Competition Tribunal for its review. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 9 January 2019. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 10 January 2019.

An application for review of the ACCC's determination should be lodged directly with the Australian Competition Tribunal. The Australian Competition Tribunal is a separate body from the ACCC and is located within the Federal Court of Australia.

For further information about the process involved in reviewing decisions in the Australian Competition Tribunal please refer to the tribunal's website located at <http://www.competitiontribunal.gov.au/>.

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 Hannah Ransom on (02) 6243 1255.

Yours sincerely

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