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Dear Mr Kerr

**Central Highlands Regional Council and Isaac Regional Council application for authorisation AA1000430—request for interim authorisation**

I refer to the above mentioned application for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) on 28 September 2018.

Please find enclosed, for your information, a copy of the letter the ACCC sent today to potentially interested parties as part of its public consultation process.

All publicly available submissions will be posted on the ACCC internet site in the [Authorisations Register](#). Alternatively, at the end of the consultation period the ACCC can arrange for you to receive a copy of all publicly available submissions received in relation to the application.

**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>28 September 2018</b>	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
<b>16 October 2018</b>	Public consultation process begins.
<b>October 2018</b>	ACCC decision regarding interim authorisation.
<b>31 October 2018</b>	Closing date for submissions from interested parties.
<b>November 2018</b>	Applicants respond to issues raised in the public consultation process.
<b>November 2018</b>	Draft determination. Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
<b>December 2018 or January/February 2019</b>	Final determination.

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 Sophie Mitchell on (03) 9290 1822.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M Drake". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "M" and "D".

Michael Drake  
Director  
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