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Dear Sir/Madam

**Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils application for authorisation
AA1000431—final determination**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC) on 16 November 2018.

SSROC sought authorisation on behalf of a group of seven councils to invite tenders for the processing of hard waste (otherwise known as clean up materials or kerbside clean up). The tenders will relate only to processing and disposal (not collection). Each of the Councils will then choose which tenderer they wish to contract with for the provision of the services.

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 authorisation until 8 March 2033.

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 7 March 2019. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 8 March 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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