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By email

Dear Madam or Sir

Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group (MWRRG) & Ors (advanced processing) – application for authorisation AA1000448 – final determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) has issued a final determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group (**MWRRG**) on 23 July 2019.

MWRRG, on behalf of itself and a group of sixteen councils located in the south-east of metropolitan Melbourne, sought authorisation to conduct a joint competitive tender process to investigate, and potentially procure, the provision of advanced waste processing services (**AWP**).

For the reasons set out in its determination, the ACCC has decided to grant authorisation for 30 months to conduct the tender process and 30 years to give effect to the contract(s) for the supply of AWP services, until 8 July 2052.

A copy of the ACCC's final determination is attached and also available on the ACCC's <u>authorisations public register.</u>

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 January 2020. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 8 January 2020.

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 Tessa Cramond on (03) 9658 6516.

Yours sincerely

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Director Adjudication