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Dear Mr Pearce

Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group (MWRRG) & Ors (recycling sorting) – application for authorisation AA1000451 – interim authorisation

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) has granted interim authorisation in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by MWRRG on 22 August 2019. A copy of the ACCC decision is attached.

Interim authorisation protects the arrangements for which authorisation is sought from legal action under the relevant provisions of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth) while the ACCC considers and evaluates the merits of the application.

Next steps

For your information, the next step in the process is for the ACCC to release a draft determination which will take account of any submissions from MWRRG and interested parties and will indicate the ACCC's preliminary views on the merits of the application. The ACCC will give both MWRRG and interested parties the opportunity to provide a further submission on the draft determination before the ACCC issues its final decision.

As noted in the attached decision, the ACCC may review its decision on interim authorisation at any time. The ACCC's decision in relation to interim authorisation should not be taken to be indicative of whether or not final authorisation will be granted by the ACCC.

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 Hayley Munro-Smith on 03 9910 9481.

Yours sincerely

Darrell Channing Director

Adjudication