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Alistair Newton
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Dear Mr Newton

BP application for authorisation AA1000452 – interested party consultation

I refer to the above mentioned application for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 5 September 2019.

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 <u>Authorisations Register</u>. 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.

5 September 2019	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
12 September 2019	Public consultation process begins.
30 September 2019	Closing date for submissions from interested parties on interim authorisation and the substantive application.
9 October 2019	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
November 2019	ACCC decision regarding interim authorisation and draft determination.
December 2019	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
February 2019	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 Madeleine Houghton on 02 9230 3816.

Yours sincerely

David Hatfield

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Director Adjudication