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## By email

Dear Interested Party

## City of Greater Geelong – application for authorisation AA1000649 – final determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) has issued its determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by City of Greater Geelong, on behalf of itself and Surf Coast Shire Council, Golden Plains Shire Council, Borough of Queenscliffe, Wyndham City Council and Colac Otway Shire (together, the **Participating Councils**) on 1 September 2023.

The City of Greater Geelong sought authorisation to engage in collective procurement conduct, and enter into and give effect to service contracts that may be executed as an outcome of that procurement conduct, in respect of the following waste services:

- · domestic recyclables and glass recyclables receival and processing, and
- bulk haulage of those materials from the receival site to the processing site.

For the reasons set out in the determination, the ACCC grants authorisation for 7 years.

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

## Application for review

Pursuant to section 101 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth), 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 4 January 2024. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 5 January 2024.

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 <a href="http://www.competitiontribunal.gov.au/">http://www.competitiontribunal.gov.au/</a>.

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 Naomi Lizak on (03) 9290 1493 or exemptions@accc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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