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By email

Dear Interested Party

Recycling Victoria & Ors - application for re-authorisation AA1000616—draft determination & interim authorisation

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a draft determination in respect of the application for re-authorisation lodged by Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group (MWRRG) on 10 June 2022.

From 1 July 2022, MWRRG, was abolished under *the Circular Economy (Waste Reduction and Recycling) Act 2021 (Vic)*. Recycling Victoria (successor entity to MWRRG) has taken over the responsibilities of MWRRG. As a result, Recycling Victoria is now the lead applicant for application for re-authorisation AA1000616.

For the reasons set out in its draft determination, the ACCC proposes to grant re-authorisation until **8 July 2054**.

A copy of the ACCC's draft determination is attached and also available on the ACCC's [authorisations public register](#).

Next steps

Once the ACCC issues a draft determination, the Applicant or any interested party may make a written submission and/or request that the ACCC convene a 'pre-decision conference'.

Making a submission

If you wish to make a submission in response to the ACCC's draft determination, please lodge your submission by **29 July 2022**. Submissions should be emailed to exemptions@acc.gov.au with the subject "AA1000616– Recycling Victoria & Ors – submission". If you prefer to make an oral submission, please contact Jack Foley via the details at the end of this letter.

The ACCC will consider any submissions it receives, including any oral submissions made at a pre-decision conference (should one be called - see below), and will then release a final determination in relation to this application.

Submissions will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the ACCC's publication [Guidelines for excluding information from the public register](#).

Optional pre-decision conference

In some cases the applicant or an interested party requests that the ACCC convene a pre-decision conference in relation to its draft determination. If a conference is called it will be open to the applicant and interested parties to attend and make oral submissions in relation to the draft determination. Conferences are conducted informally and while legal or professional advisers are able to attend they are not entitled to participate in the discussion.

If you wish the ACCC to hold a pre-decision conference in relation to the draft determination you must notify the ACCC in writing by **29 July 2022** by email to exemptions@acc.gov.au.

Timetable

The ACCC will continue to progress its assessment of the application in a timely manner. An updated indicative timetable is set out below for your information.

Indicative date	Stage in assessment process
10 June 2022	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
21 June 2022	Public consultation process begins.
8 July 2022	Draft determination and Interim Authorisation decision.
29 July 2022	Closing date for submissions from interested parties on the draft determination.
August 2022	Applicant responds to any interested party submissions.
August/September 2022	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 Jack Foley on (07) 3811 9294.

Yours sincerely



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Competition Exemptions