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By email

Dear Madam or Sir

Darebin City Council & Ors – application for revocation of authorisation AA1000459 and substitution of AA1000525 – determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) has issued a determination in respect of the application for revocation of authorisation AA1000459 and substitution of AA1000525 lodged by Darebin City Council & Ors on 29 July 2020.

Darebin City Council & Ors sought authorisation to enable Victorian Councils to pool their electricity demand and collectively tender for the supply of retail electricity services and renewable energy certificates (i.e. Large Scale Generation Certificates) from an electricity retailer. The authorisation would also allow for the addition and removal of local government councils without having to seek a variation to the authorisation from the ACCC, provided it would not result in the councils' annual aggregate consumption of electricity increasing to more than 1% of the total consumption in the Victorian market.

The ACCC has granted authorisation for 11 years, until 31 October 2031.

A copy of the ACCC's determination is attached and also available on the ACCC's [authorisations public register](#). The ACCC's assessment is set out in Chapter 4 of its determination.

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 30 October 2020. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 31 October 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 Tanya Hobbs on (02) 6243 1029.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G Jones', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gavin Jones
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