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By Email

Dear Interested Party

State of Victoria represented by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning – application to revoke authorisation AA1000453 and substitute authorisation AA1000610 – final determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) has issued a determination in respect of the application for revocation and substitution lodged by Goulburn Valley Waste and Resource Recovery Group and North East Waste and Resource Recovery Group (both succeeded by the State of Victoria, represented by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, on 1 July 2022).

The requested substitute authorisation was sought to conduct a joint tender process for the procurement of a range of waste and resource recovery services in and around the Goulburn Valley and North East regional areas.

For the reasons set out in its determination, the ACCC has decided to revoke authorisation AA1000453 and grant substitute authorisation AA1000610 for 20 years. The substitute authorisation enables the State of Victoria, represented by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, 14 councils, 4 alpine resort management boards and Alpine Resorts Victoria, to conduct the joint tender process and to make and give effect to the contracts for the supply of waste and resource recovery services.

A copy of the ACCC's determination is available on the ACCC's authorisations <u>public</u> 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 a review. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 21 October 2022. If no application for review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 22 October 2022.

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 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 Jack Foley on (07) 3811 9294 or via email <a href="mailto:exemptions@accc.gov.au">exemptions@accc.gov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely

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