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Gavin Jones and Tanya Hobbs
Australian Competition and Consumer
Commission
23 Marcus Clarke Street
Canberra ACT 2601

Dear Mr Jones and Ms Hobbs

Darebin City Council – Application for revocation of an authorisation and substitution of a replacement

We act for Darebin City Council (***Darebin CC***).

This letter concerns the application for revocation of Authorisation AA1000459 and substitution of a replacement lodged by Darebin CC on behalf of itself and 46 local government councils on 29 July 2020.


Further to our telephone discussion with Ms Hobbs earlier this afternoon, in addition to the application already provided, Darebin seeks an additional amendment to the application to provide for the addition and removal of local government councils provided that such addition or removal does not increase the annual aggregate consumption of electricity of the councils to more than **1% of the total consumption in the Victorian market**. We note that the ACCC authorised a similar amount in Authorisation AA1000450 in October 2019.

As discussed, this amendment would allow for the addition or removal of local councils without varying the authorisation, resulting in cost and resource savings and providing the applicants with flexibility if the participating councils change.

Could you please consider this amendment together with the main application.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely


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