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Subject: RE: Submissions re EMRC application for authorisation [SEC=UNOFFICIAL] [ACCC-ACCCANDAER.FID3007910]

Hi Miriam

Further to our letter of 6 December 2021 responding to the ACCC questions and public submissions, EMRC note SUEZ's comment that there are 'limited off the shelf' software solutions. The cost model used has factored in a substantial investment in appropriate route optimisation software and onboard monitoring systems including ensuring integration with the participating Council's IT systems as we recognise this interface with the drivers and community is critical to high quality service delivery. We are familiar with the providers that have software suitable for the Australian market which are already in use by metropolitan councils.

EMRC confirms that it will utilise route optimisation through use of route planning software which factors in traffic conditions, school zone restrictions, driver hours and breaks, vehicle fuel consumption and range. The optimisation of truck runs across the three participating Councils provides cost efficiencies by reducing truck numbers required for the service, number of trucks on the road and driver time thus reducing costs including driver wages, operational costs such as diesel and petrol and maintenance and will assist to extend the life of the waste collection vehicles. This will bring public benefit by reducing the number of trucks on the road and associated traffic congestion, improving road safety and reducing vehicle emissions.

We reinforce that one of the public benefit claims will be the EMRC's flexibility to implement trials of new waste collection services to improve efficiencies and respond to future population growth in the three participating Councils.

Please advise if we need to respond to any further issues.

Regards

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