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Dear Mr Holm

**The Municipal Association of Victoria-Application for Authorisation [A30244-A30245]-
interested party consultation and request for further information**

I refer to the above mentioned applications for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 29 September 2006.

Interested party consultation

Please find enclosed, for your information, a copy of the letter that the ACCC sent today to potentially interested parties as part of its public consultation process. Interested parties have been invited to provide submissions in relation to the request for interim authorisation and the substantive application by **18 October 2006** and **3 November 2006** respectively.

All publicly available submissions will be posted on the ACCC internet site at www.accc.gov.au (by following the Public Registers and Authorisations links). The ACCC will also arrange for you to receive a copy of all publicly available submissions received at the end of the consultation periods.

Request for information

To assist the ACCC's consideration of MAV's request for interim authorisation, it would be appreciated if you could provide the following information.

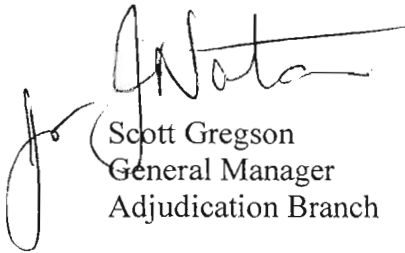
1. I understand from the submission in support of the application that the Director of Public Transport proposes to award the bus shelter contract in March 2007. Please confirm that the award of this contract is subject to receiving final authorisation from the ACCC?



2. Please outline the proposed timetable for the tender process, including when the details of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Councils and the Director of Public Transport are expected to be finalised and the expected date the Director will seek tenders. In the meantime, please provide a copy of the MoU in its current form.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please contact Margaret Abou-Rizk on (03) 9290 1484 or Jaime Norton on (03) 9290 1484.

Yours sincerely



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