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Dear Jaime

**CQLGA RESPONSE - ISSUES RAISED IN THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS
(ACCC INTERIM AUTHORISATION A91087)**

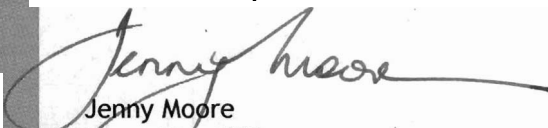
The Central Queensland Local Government Association (CQLGA) was pleased to receive interim authorisation from the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) on Wednesday 14 May 2008 to go to tender for the Regional Waste and Recyclables Collection and Processing Contract.

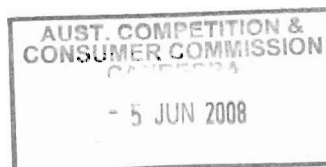
Attached with the Interim Authorisation were four submissions from invited interested parties - AMCOR, WMAA, Qld EPA, and LGAQ. None of the four submissions provided adverse comment on the proposed regional contracting process, and as a consequence, the CQLGA does not have any responses to offer in relation to issues raised in the public consultation.

The CQLGA is currently working on finalising the tender documents and expects to advertise the tender on Saturday 14 June 2008 with the tender closing on Friday 18 July 2008. It is anticipated that the tender evaluation period will be 6 weeks and conclude on Friday 29 August 2008. Final 'sign off' by the participating councils of the recommended tenderer will take at least 2 weeks, therefore it is predicted that by mid September 2008, the CQLGA will be ready for the ACCC's final determination, so that the successful tenderer can be announced and the contract awarded.

Thank you for efforts to date and the CQLGA looks forward to continuing to work with you to attain a final positive determination.

Yours sincerely


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