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Dear [Salutation],

**Central Queensland Local Government Association application for authorisation
A91087 – final determination**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a final determination in respect of an application for authorisation lodged by Central Queensland Local Government Association (CQLGA) on behalf of Rockhampton Regional Council, Gladstone Regional Council, Central Highlands Regional Council and Isaac Regional Council on 17 April 2008.

The CQLGA sought authorisation to conduct a joint tender for the provision of waste, recyclables and ancillary waste services in their combined local government areas.

A copy of the ACCC's determination is attached, including a summary of its reasons. For the reasons set out in its determination, the ACCC has decided to grant authorisation until 31 December 2018. The ACCC's assessment is set out in Chapter 6 of its determination.

Application for review

Pursuant to section 101 of the *Trade Practices Act 1974*, a person dissatisfied with this determination may apply to the Australian Competition Tribunal for its review. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 3 September 2008. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 4 September 2008.

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 located at <http://www.competitiontribunal.gov.au/>.

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 Simon Mitchell on 03 9290 6909.

Yours sincerely



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Director
Adjudication Branch

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Letter to Interested Parties attaching the ACCC’s Final Determination

Interested Parties:

Waste Management Association of Australia, Qld Branch (QLD)

Local Government Association (QLD)

Environmental Protection Agency (QLD)

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