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Mr Paul Fitzpatrick Partner Clayton Utz GPO Box P1214 PERTH WA 6844

Dear Mr Fitzpatrick

Woodside Energy Ltd's and Benaris International Pty Ltd's application for authorisation A91135 - interested party consultation

I refer to the above mentioned application for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 16 April 2009.

Please find enclosed, for your information, a copy of the letter the ACCC sent today to potentially interested parties as part of its public consultation process.

All publicly available submissions will be posted on the ACCC internet site at <<u>www.accc.gov.au</u>>. Alternatively, at the end of the consultation period the ACCC can arrange for you to receive a copy of all publicly available submissions received in relation to the application.

Timetable

The ACCC will progress its assessment of the application in a timely manner. An indicative timetable is set out below for your information.

| 16 April 2009 | Lodgement of application and supporting submission. |
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| 23 April 2009 | Public consultation process begins. |

| 30 April 2009 | Closing date for submissions on interim authorisation. |
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| Early May 2009 | ACCC decision regarding interim authorisation. |
| 15 May 2009 | Closing date for submissions from interested parties. |
| 30 May 2009 | Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process. |
| June 2009 | Draft determination. |
| June/July 2009 | Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called. |
| July/August 2009 | Final determination. |

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 John Rouw on (03) 9290 1402.

Yours sincerely

Gavin Jones Director Adjudication Branch