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Dear Sir/Madam

**Brisbane Marine Pilots Pty Ltd application for authorisation A91235
- interested party consultation**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has received an application for authorisation from Brisbane Marine Pilots Pty Ltd. The ACCC invites you to comment on the application. Attached is a summary of the authorisation process including how to make a submission to the ACCC.

Brisbane Marine Pilots Pty Ltd (BMP) is seeking authorisation for a pilotage services agreement it has entered into with the State of Queensland [represented by the Department of Transport trading as Maritime Safety Queensland (MSQ)]. Under the agreement, MSQ must acquire all pilotage services at the Port of Brisbane exclusively from BMP.

A full copy of the application for authorisation is available on the ACCC's website <www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister>. Alternatively, you can contact Lauren Roy on (03) 9290 1823 to obtain a hard copy of the application and supporting submission.

Request for submissions

The ACCC invites you to make a submission on the likely public benefits and effect on competition, or any other public detriment, from the proposed arrangements.

If you intend to provide a submission in relation to BMP's application for authorisation, please do so by **9 July 2010**.

Alternatively, if you would like to provide comments orally, please contact Lauren Roy on (03) 9290 1823 to organise a suitable time.

Submissions, including oral submissions, will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion (guidelines are attached).

Timetable

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

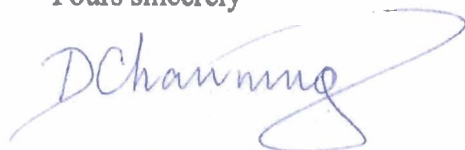
10 June 2010	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
18 June 2010	Public consultation process begins.
9 July 2010	Closing date for submissions from interested parties.
23 July 2010	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
August/September	Draft determination.
September/October	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
October/November	Final determination.

Please advise if you do not wish to make a submission at this time, but would like to be informed of the progress of the application at the draft and final determination stages. If you are able to please provide a nominated contact email address for future correspondence.

You can also forward this letter to any other party who may wish to make a submission to the ACCC regarding the application.

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 Lauren Roy on (03) 9290 1823.

Yours sincerely



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Interested parties consulted – 18 June 2010

Anglo Ports Pty Ltd
Asciano Limited
Asiaworld Shipping
Australian Marine Pilots Association
Australian Maritime Safety Authority
Australian National Stevedores
Australian Peak Shippers Association
Australian Shipowners Association
Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics
Chalmers
Complete Global
Department of Infrastructure, Transport & Regional
Development
DP World
Freemantle Pilots
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Ports Australia
Ports Corporation of Queensland
Ports North
Queensland Competition Authority
Queensland Department of Infrastructure and Planning
Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads
Shipping Australia Ltd
SVITZER Australia Pty Ltd
Sydney Pilot Service
Toll Shipping