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Sent via email

Dear Sir / Madam

**Australian Tyre Industry Council applications for authorisation (A91336-A91337)
- interested party consultation**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has received an application for authorisation from the Australian Tyre Industry Council (ATIC).

The ACCC invites you to comment on the application. For further information about the authorisation process, including how to lodge a submission to the ACCC, please refer to the attached summary.

ATIC seeks authorisation for a proposed national voluntary Tyre Stewardship Scheme which aims to increase the recycling rate of end-of-life tyres. Among other things, the scheme proposes to require its members to deal only with other members of the scheme (where possible) and impose a levy on the sale of tyres in Australia (proposed to be \$0.25 per passenger car tyre equivalent) or an equivalent membership fee, to fund the operation of the scheme. The operation of the scheme will be governed by the proposed Tyre Stewardship Scheme Guidelines.

A full copy of the application for authorisation is available on the ACCC's website <www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister>. Please find a copy of ATIC's authorisation application, supporting submission and the proposed Tyre Stewardship Scheme Guidelines attached.

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 ATIC's application for authorisation, please do so by **Monday, 12 November 2012**.

Alternatively, if you would like to provide comments orally, please contact Jaime Martin on (03) 9290 1477 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.

28 September 2012	Lodgement of applications and supporting submission.
19 October 2012	Public consultation process begins.
12 November 2012	Closing date for submissions from interested parties.
26 November 2012	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
December/January	Draft determination.
January/February 2013	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
February/March	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 ATIC's applications at the draft and final determination stages. If you are able, 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 proposed Tyre Stewardship Scheme.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please contact Jaime Martin on (03) 9290 1477 (or at jaime.martin@acc.gov.au) or myself on (02) 6243 1266 (or at david.hatfield@acc.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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Adjudication Branch

Applications for authorisation A91336 and A91337 lodged by the Australian Tyre Industry Council

List of interested parties – initial consultation

No.	Party
1.	Australian Government Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities
2.	Australian Government Department of Infrastructure and Transport
3.	Australian Government Department of Defence
4.	Australian Customs and Border Protection Service
5.	Office of Environment and Heritage (NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet)
6.	NSW Environment Protection Authority
7.	Queensland Government Department of Environment and Resource Management
8.	South Australian Government Environment Protection Agency
9.	Zero Waste SA
10.	Environment Protection Authority Tasmania
11.	Tasmanian Government Department of Economic Development, Tourism and the Arts
12.	Tasmanian Government Department of Treasury and Finance
13.	Victorian Government Environment Protection Agency
14.	Sustainability Victoria
15.	Government of Western Australia Department of Environment and Conservation
16.	Main Roads WA
17.	Government of Western Australia Department of Health
18.	Northern Territory Government
19.	ACT Government
20.	ACT NoWaste
21.	ACTION
22.	Australian Local Government Association
23.	Local Government and Shires Association of NSW
24.	South East Resource Recovery Regional Organisation of Councils
25.	Western Australia Local Government Association
26.	Local Government Association of South Australia
27.	Local Government Association of Queensland
28.	Gladstone Regional Council
29.	Local Government Association of Tasmania
30.	Tasmanian Southern Waste Strategy Authority
31.	Tasmanian Northern Regional Waste Management Group
32.	Tasmanian Cradle Coast Waste Management Group
33.	Local Government Association of Northern Territory
34.	Australian Logistics Council

35.	Australian Motor Industry Federation
36.	Cement Industry Federation
37.	Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries
38.	Minerals Council of Australia
39.	National Farmers Federation
40.	Truck Industry Council
41.	Australian Tyre Retreaders and Associates Limited
42.	Waste Management Association of Australia
43.	Australian Council of Recycling
44.	Australian Tyre Recyclers Association
45.	Auto Recyclers Association of Australia
46.	Australian Fleet Management Association
47.	Roads Australia
48.	Motor Trades Association ACT
49.	Motor Trades Association NSW
50.	Waste Contractors and Recyclers Association NSW
51.	Motor Trades Association NT
52.	Motor Trades Association of Queensland
53.	Waste Contractors and Recyclers Association of Queensland
54.	Motor Trades Association of South Australia
55.	Motor Trades Association of Tasmania
56.	Tasmanian Automobile Chamber of Commerce
57.	Victorian Tyre Dealers Association
58.	Victorian Automobile Chamber of Commerce
59.	Motor Trades Association of Western Australia
60.	Tyre Recyclers Western Australia
61.	Ngarluma Yindjibarndi Foundation Limited
62.	SG Fleet
63.	Future Generation
64.	Renew Rubber
65.	Ecoflex Australia
66.	C&R Tyre Recycling
67.	Top End Tyre Recycling
68.	Sargent
69.	Rare Consulting
70.	Chip Tyre Pty Ltd
71.	S&J Australian Scrap Tyre Disposals
72.	Downer EDI Mining
73.	Southern Tyre Disposals
74.	Tyre Recycle Tasmania
75.	Leaseplan Australia
76.	SEAM/WMAA
77.	Green Distillation Technologies

78.	Transgen
79.	Polytech Resources
80.	VR Tek Global
81.	OTR Tyre Repairs and Sales
82.	Tyrecycle
83.	STEG Pty Ltd
84.	Lomwest Enterprises Pty Ltd