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BY EMAIL

Dear Ms Mills and Mr Ahuja

Stanwell Corporation Limited & Diamantina Power Station Pty Ltd - applications for authorisation A91448 & A91449 – draft determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a draft determination in respect of the applications for authorisation lodged by Stanwell Corporation Limited & Diamantina Power Station Pty Ltd (the Applicants).

For the reasons set out in its draft determination, the ACCC proposes to grant authorisation, subject to a condition, for five years.

Next steps

Once the ACCC issues a draft determination, the Applicants or any interested party may make a written submission and/or request that the ACCC convene a 'pre-decision conference'.

If you wish to make a submission in response to the ACCC's draft determination, please lodge your submission by **16 January 2015**. Submissions should be emailed to adjudication@accc.gov.au with the subject "A91448 & A91449 – Stanwell & Diamantina – submission".

A pre-decision conference provides the opportunity for interested parties to make oral submissions in relation to the draft determination. Conferences are conducted informally and while legal or professional advisers are able to attend they are not entitled to participate in the discussion.

If you wish the ACCC to hold a pre-decision conference in relation to the draft determination you must notify the ACCC in writing by **16 January 2015**

The ACCC will consider any submissions it receives, including any oral submissions made should a pre-decision conference be called, and will then release a final determination in relation to these applications.

Submissions will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the ACCC's publication <u>Guidelines for excluding information from the public register</u>.

Timetable

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

| 29 August 2014 | Lodgement of application and supporting submission. |
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| 18 December 2014 | Draft determination. |
| December 2014 – January 2015 | Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called. |
| February 2015 | 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 me on 03 9290 1475 or qavin.jones@accc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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