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Dear Sir/Madam

**Refrigerant Reclaim Australia Limited - application for revocation of
authorisation A91256 and substitution of authorisation A91515 - interested party
consultation**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) is conducting a consultation process on an application for revocation and substitution (re-authorisation) received from Refrigerant Reclaim Australia Limited on 12 October 2015.

Refrigerant Reclaim Australia Limited is seeking re-authorisation for five years to allow it to continue to operate a product stewardship scheme to recover ozone depleting and synthetic greenhouse gas refrigerants to be destroyed, stored, or reclaimed and sold. Authorisation is also sought to allow industry participants to discuss and agree to:

- reduce the level of a levy applied to each kilogram of refrigerant imported and sold in Australia
- set the value of rebates paid to contractors and wholesalers involved in the product stewardship scheme
- the processes used to reclaim recovered refrigerant to on-sell
- consider alternative destruction services either in Australia or offshore.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you, as a potentially interested party, to comment on the applications. Please see the ACCC's publication [Authorisation process - the basics](#) for a summary of the authorisation process and how to make a submission to the ACCC.

A copy of the application is available on the ACCC's website www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister.

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 Conduct.

If you intend to provide a submission in relation to the applications for authorisation please do so by **11 November 2015**. Submissions should be emailed to adjudication@accc.gov.au with the subject "A91515 – Refrigerant Reclaim Australia – submission".

Submissions, will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the ACCC's publication [Guidelines for excluding information from the public register](#).

Timetable

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

12 October 2015	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
21 October 2015	Public consultation process begins.
11 November 2015	Closing date for submissions from interested parties in relation to the application.
November/December 2015	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
January 2016	Draft determination.
January/February 2016	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
March 2016	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 applications 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 applications.

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 Theo Kelly on (02) 6243 1179 or by email: adjudication@accc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Richard Chadwick
General Manager
Adjudication Branch

List of Interested Parties – A91515

ACT Government

Actrol Parts Pty Ltd

A-Gas (Australia) Pty Ltd

Air Conditioning & Mechanical Contractors Association of Australia Ltd

Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Wholesalers Association

Air-conditioning & Refrigeration Equipment Manufacturers Association

Airefrig Australia Pty Ltd

ARACTA

Arkema Pty Ltd

Atomic Capital

Australian Institute of Refrigeration, Air Conditioning and Heating

Australian Refrigeration Association

BOC Gases (Australia) Ltd

Chemours

Cool Drive

CSIRO

Daikin Australia Pty Ltd

Department of Environment

Dolo Matrix (no longer operating)

Electrolux Home Products Pty Ltd

Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries

Ford

Fujitsu General (Aust) Pty Ltd

Green Cooling Council

Heatcraft Australia Pty Ltd

Hisense

Honeywell

Hyundai

Institute of Automotive Mechanical Engineers

Ixom

LG

Mazda

Microguard

Misubishi Heavy Industries

Mitsubishi Electric Australia Pty Ltd

Motor Traders Association of Australia

New South Wales Government

Northern Territory Government

Orica Limited

Panasonic Australia Pty Ltd

Queensland Government

Real Cold

Refrigerants Australia Ltd

Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Contractors Association Australia Inc

Solvents Australia Pty Ltd

South Australian Government

SRL Plasma

Tasmanian Government

Techno Chem (no longer operating)

Temperzone Australia Pty Ltd

Toyota

VACC

VASA

Vehicle Air Conditioning Specialists Australia

Vehicle Air-conditioning Specialists of Australasia

Victorian Government

VW

Western Australian Government