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**Australian
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Consumer
Commission**

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Sent via email

Dear Sir/Madam

**Clean Energy Council Limited application for revocation and substitution
A91495 – A91496 - interested party consultation**

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The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) is currently consulting on an application for revocation and substitution of a new authorisation received from the Clean Energy Council Limited (CEC).

The purpose of this letter is to invite you, as a potentially interested party, to comment on that application.

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.

Application

The CEC administers a voluntary code of conduct for solar photovoltaic (PV) retail businesses (the Code). The CEC seeks to have the current authorisation revoked and substituted by a revised version of the Code. The revised Code contains new provisions regarding consumer finance, grid connection procedure and privacy. It also contains an amended fee structure.

A full copy of the application for authorisation 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 arrangements.

Further, the ACCC invites you to outline your general experience of the Code during the term of the previous authorisation. The ACCC would also welcome your views on the public benefits and detriments you consider have actually resulted from the arrangements during the previous authorisation period.

If you intend to provide a submission in relation to the CEC's application, please do so by **26 May 2015**. Submissions should be emailed to adjudication@acc.gov.au with the subject "A91495 & A91496 – CEC – submission."

Alternatively, if you would like to provide comments orally, please contact Zoe Kent on 03 9290 1948 to organise a suitable time.

Submissions, including oral 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](#).

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 application.

Timetable

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

Indicative date	Stage in assessment process
17 April 2015	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
6 May 2015	Public consultation process begins.
26 May 2015	Closing date for submissions from interested parties.
8 June 2015	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
July 2015	Draft determination.
July/August 2015	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
September 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 Zoe Kent on 03 9290 1948 or adjudication@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Dr Richard Chadwick
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**Clean Energy Council Limited – Revocation and Substitution –
A91495 & A91496 – Interested Party List**

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal
ACT Government
ActewAGL
Advocacy Panel
AEMO
AGL
AGL Solar
Alinta Energy
Allect Group
Alternative Energy Association
Alternative Technologies Association
Applied Environmental Solutions
Aurora Energy
Ausgrid
Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Australian Council of Social Service
Australian Industry Group
Australian Power and Gas
Australian PV Institute
Australian Retailers Association
Australian Securities and Investments Commission
Bethany Organisation
Blue Mountains Solar P/L
Blue NRG
Bradford Energy Solutions
Bradford Solar
Breaze
Brotherhood of St Laurence
Canadian Solar
Cane Growers
Carbon Bridge
Carbon Markets
Central Solar
Century Solar Energy
Changing weather

Choice
Circle Solar
City of Glen Eira
Clean Earth Services
Clean Energy Consultants
Clean Energy Finance
Clean Energy Regulator
Clean Energy Solar
Clean Green Power
Clean NRG
Click Energy
Coffs Solar Energy
Cola Solar
Commonwealth Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
Conservation Council of South Australia
Consumer Action Law Centre
Consumer Affairs and Fair Trading Tasmania
Consumer Credit Legal Service (WA)
Consumer Protection WA (WA Department of Commerce)
Consumer Utilities Advocacy Centre
Consumers Federation of Australia
Corospark
COTA Queensland
COTA SA
Council of Small Business Australia
Country Women's Association
CoZero Solarlink
CS Energy
CSR
Darach Energy Consulting Services
Demand Manger
Design Ecology (Pietermaritzburg Pty Ltd)
Diamond Energy
Dodo Power & Gas
Earthsave
EcoLogic Estates
Economic Regulatory Authority (WA)

EcoSmart Solar
Ecovation
Electricity & Water Ombudsman New South Wales
Electricity & Water Ombudsman Queensland
Electricity & Water Ombudsman South Australia
Electricity & Water Ombudsman Victoria
Energy Consumer Council
Energy Lease Pty Ltd
Energy Makeovers
Energy Matters
Energy Retailers Association of Australia
Energy Supply Association of Australia
Energy Users Association of Australia
EnergyAustralia
Enigin Western Australia
ePho Asset Management
Ergon Energy
Eris Mccarthy
ERM Power
Essential Energy
Essential Services Commission of South Australia
Essential Services Commission of Victoria
ET Solar/Energy Today
Ethnic Communities Council of New South Wales
Ethnic Communities Council of Victoria
Evolve Energy
Express Solar
Financial Counselling Australia
Financial and Consumer Rights Council
Financial Rights Legal Centre
First Solar Australia
Flow Systems
Fotowatio Renewable Ventures
Global Clean Energy Finance
Go Energy
Green Energy Trading
Green Point Solar Consulting

Greenbank Environmental
Horan & Bird
Humenergy Group Pty Ltd
IES Advisory
Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission
Infigen Energy
Infinity Solar
Infratech Industries Pty Ltd
Ingenero
IPART
Juno Energy
Kenjarhy Solar Pty Ltd
Kildonan Uniting Care
Kudos Energy
LJ Hooker
Lumo Energy
Major Energy Users
Maxi Solar
Metro Solar
MJ COONAN ELECTRICAL
Momentum Energy
Moreland Energy Foundation Limited
MSC SOLAR
Multiple Sclerosis Australia
Natural Technology Systems
Next Energy
Next Power
Northern Territory Consumer Affairs
NSW Office of Environment and Heritage
NSW OFT
NSW Trade & Investment, Division of Resources & Energy
Nu Energy
Office for Climate Change and Energy Efficiency, Greg Combet
Office of Shadow Minister for Climate Action, Environment and Heritage, Greg Hunt
Office of the Tasmanian Economic Regulator
Ombudsman Tasmania
Ombudsman Western Australia

One People HR
Origin Energy
Origin Energy Retail No.2 Proprietary Ltd
Permitex Energy Resources Pty Ltd
Pooled Energy
PPA Direct
Privacy Commissioner
Progressive Green
Public Interest Advocacy Centre
Qenergy
Queensland Competition Authority
Queensland Council of Social Service
Rainey Electricial
rec
REC Agents Association
Red Energy
renewergy
Repower Shoalhaven Incorporated
Restaurant and Catering Industry Association of Australia
RF Industries
RFI Solar
Rheem Australia
Sanctuary Energy
Seed Advisory
SEL Absolute Return Fund SA Pty Ltd (trading as Solar Wholesalers and Solar Schools Australia)
Shine On
Shopping Centre Council of Australia
Si Clean Energy
Simply Energy
Skycell
Skyline Solar
SMA-Australia
Small Business NSW
Snowy Hydro Limited
Solar Australia
Solar Depot

Solar Financial Solutions
Solar Gain
Solar Panels
Solar Professionals Pty Ltd & Kenjarhy Pty Ltd
Solar West
Solaray Energy Pty Ltd
Solarlife
Solarmine
Solaworx
Solgen/Sunlease Management
Soly Pty Ltd
South Australian Council of Social Service
South Australian Farmers Federation
Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC)
Spacial Solutions/Solar Plus Storage
Springer Solar
Springers
St Kitts Associates
St Luke's Anglicare
St Vincent de Pauls Society
St Vincents Social Justice Committee
Stanwell Corporation
Sun Edison
Sunburnt Country Power
Sunergy Solar Water Wind
Sungevity
Sunshine Coast Solar/The Sun Works Solar Centres
Suntrix
Sunverge Energy Australia P/L
Surpass Energy
Tasmanian Council of Social Service
Tenants Union Victoria
The Green Power Company
Tindo Solar
Total Environment Centre
Trina solar
True Energy

Trust Power
United Energy
United Solar Energy
Uniting Care
Uniting Care Community
Uniting Communities
Universe Solar
UNSW – Centre for Energy and Environmental Markets
Urban Energy
Victorian Employers' Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Voltaic Energy
West Australian Alternative Energy
Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA)
ZEN Technologies
Zero Cost Solar