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Dear Sir/Madam

Consultation - Redland City Council and Brisbane City Council application for authorisation A91500

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) is consulting on an application for authorisation received from Redland City Council on 25 May 2015

The purpose of this letter is to invite you, as a potentially interested party, to comment on the application. Submissions should be made by **19 June 2015.**

Application for authorisation

Redland City Council and Brisbane City Council intend to conduct a joint tendering process for waste and recycling collection services involving the kerbside, multidwelling bulk bin, and public and community spaces collection of domestic waste, recyclables and green waste within the Local Government Areas of Brisbane and Redland.

The Applicants have sought authorisation for a total period of 19 years, comprising:

- a three-year period for the joint procurement process and
- a proposed 16-year contract term.

A full copy of the application is available on the ACCC's public register.

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.

How to make a submission

Please see the ACCC's publication <u>Authorisation process - the basics</u> for a summary of the authorisation process and how to make a submission to the ACCC.

Submissions should be emailed to adjudication@accc.gov.au with the subject "A91500 – Redland City Council and Brisbane City Council submission" by **19 June 2015**. Alternatively, if you would like to provide comments orally, please contact Jimmy Criticos on 02 6243 4918.

The ACCC will place all submissions, including oral submissions, on the public register subject to any requests for exclusion (see the ACCC's guidelines for more).

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. Please provide a nominated contact email address for future correspondence.

You are welcome to forward this letter to any other party who may wish to make a submission to the ACCC.

Timetable

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

25 May 2015	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
3 June 2015	Public consultation process begins.
19 June 2015	Closing date for submissions from interested parties.
June/July 2015	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
July 2015	Draft determination.
July 2015	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
August 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 Jimmy Criticos on 02 6243 4918 or adjudication@accc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Darrell Channing Director

Adjudication

Redland City Council and Brisbane City Council - application for authorisation A91500

List of interested parties consulted

Ace Waste Pty Ltd

Curbside Services Pty Ltd

Iolar Operational Services Pty Ltd

JJ Richards Pty Ltd

Polytrade Recycling

Remondis Australia Pty Ltd

Subloo's Pty Ltd

Toxfree

Transpacific Industries Group Pty Ltd

Veolia Environmental Services (Australia) Pty Ltd

VISY

SITA Australia Pty Ltd

Gold Coast City Council

Ipswich City Council

Local Government Association of Queensland

Logan City Council

Moreton Bay Regional Council

Somerset Regional Council

Waste, Recycling Industry Association (QLD)

Waste Management Association of Australia

Australian Council of Recycling