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By email

Dear Sir / Madam

Cairns Regional Council & Ors – application for authorisation A91544 — determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) has issued a draft determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by Cairns Regional Council, Douglas Shire Council and Mareeba Shire Council (the **Councils**) on 28 June 2016.

For the reasons set out in the determination, the ACCC has decided to grant authorisation until 31 December 2028 to allow the Councils to conduct a joint procurement process for waste collection services. A copy of the ACCC's determination is attached.

Application for review

Pursuant to section 101 of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010, a person dissatisfied with this determination may apply to the Australian Competition Tribunal (the Tribunal) for a review of the determination. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 30 December 2016. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 31 December 2016.

An application for review of the ACCC's determination should be lodged directly with the Tribunal. The Tribunal is a separate body from the ACCC and is located within the Federal Court of Australia.

For further information about the Tribunal's process to hear applications for review of ACCC determinations please refer to the Tribunal's website at www.competitiontribunal.gov.au.

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 adjudication@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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