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By email

Dear Sir/Madam

Council Solutions & Ors – Application for authorisation A91520 —final determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a determination in respect of the application for authorisation lodged by Council Solutions & Ors on 30 November 2015.

Council Solutions sought authorisation on behalf of itself and Adelaide City Council and the Cities of Charles Sturt, Marion, Tea Tree Gully and Port Adelaide Enfield. The Applicants proposed to jointly tender, negotiate and contract for the supply of waste collection services, receiving and processing of recyclables, receiving and processing of organics and waste disposal services.

A copy of the ACCC's determination is attached, including a summary of its reasons. For the reasons set out in its determination, the ACCC has decided to **deny** authorisation.

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 for its review. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 10 January 2017. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 11 January 2017.

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

For further information about the process involved in reviewing decisions in the Australian Competition Tribunal please refer to the tribunal's website located at http://www.competitiontribunal.gov.au/.

This letter will be 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 (02) 6243 1393.

Yours sincerely

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