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Dear Mr Scuderi

### **Port of Townsville application for authorisation A91545—interested party consultation**

I refer to the above mentioned application for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 8 July 2016.

Please find enclosed, for your information, a copy of the letter the ACCC sent today to potentially interested parties as part of its public consultation process.

All publicly available submissions will be posted on the ACCC internet site at [www.acc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister](http://www.acc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister). Alternatively, at the end of the consultation period the ACCC can arrange for you to receive a copy of all publicly available submissions received in relation to the application.

#### **Timetable**

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

<b>Indicative date</b>	<b>Stage in assessment process</b>
<b>8 July 2016</b>	Lodgement of application and supporting submission, including request for interim authorisation.
<b>13 July 2016</b>	Public consultation process begins.
<b>22 July 2016</b>	Closing date for submissions on interim authorisation.
<b>August 2016</b>	ACCC decision regarding interim authorisation.
<b>5 August 2016</b>	Closing date for submissions from interested parties on substantive application for authorisation.
<b>August 2016</b>	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
<b>September/October 2016</b>	Draft determination.
<b>October 2016</b>	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.

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**November/December  
2016**

Final determination.

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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 Kabita Prasad on (02) 6243 1187.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "DChanning". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Darrell Channing  
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