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Dear Mr Jones

## Eastern Electricity Buyers Group applications for authorisation A91594 & A91595 —interested party consultation

I refer to the above mentioned application for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 4 August 2017.

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 <a href="https://www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister">www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister</a>. 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.

4 August 2017	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
10 August 2017	Public consultation process begins.
22 August 2017	Closing date for submissions on interim authorisation.
August 2017	ACCC decision regarding interim authorisation.
1 September 2017	Closing date for submissions from interested parties.
September 2017	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
October 2017	Draft determination.
October/November 2017	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
December 2017	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 Kaitlin Hanrahan on 03 9290 1917.

Yours sincerely

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Director

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