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Mark McCowan  
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Corrs Chambers Westgarth

**By email**

Dear Mr McCowan

**BP Australia & Ors applications for authorisation A91580-82— Extension of relevant period under section 90(10A)**

I refer to the above applications for authorisation lodged by BP Australia & Ors on 28 April 2017 and subsequent discussions regarding timing of the ACCC's assessment of the application.

As you are aware, the current relevant period for the ACCC to make a final determination in relation to the above applications ends on 28 October 2017.

Section 90(10A) of the Act provides that the relevant period may be extended where:

- (a) the ACCC has prepared a draft determination under subsection 90A(1) in relation to the application; and
- (b) the ACCC determines in writing that the period is extended by a specified period of not more than six months; and
- (c) the applicant agrees to the period being so extended.

In accordance with subsection 90(10A)(b) of the Act, the ACCC has determined that the relevant period for consideration of the abovementioned applications for authorisation has been extended until **15 December 2017**, subject to your agreement that the relevant period be so extended.

We seek confirmation of your agreement that the relevant period be extended until 15 December 2017. We would appreciate receiving your confirmation in writing as soon as possible and by no later than **12pm on Thursday 19 October 2017**. Your response may be emailed to [adjudication@accc.gov.au](mailto:adjudication@accc.gov.au).

Should the Applicants not agree to extend the relevant period to 15 December 2017, the ACCC intends to proceed to issue a final determination by 28 October 2017.

A copy of 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 David Hatfield on (02) 6243 1266.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D Jones', with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

David Jones  
General Manager  
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