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Ms Naomi Lizak **Director Competition Exemptions** Australian Competition and Consumer Commission **GPO Box 3131** Canberra ACT 2601

Submitted via ACCC web form

Dear Naomi,

I refer to the ACCC consultation process relating to the WSAA application for exemption from the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 for the purposes of engaging in discussions relating to the production, importation, and supply of gaseous chlorine.

Council recognises the critical importance of gaseous chlorine for the treatment of town water supplies, and further notes that there is currently only a single source of gaseous chlorine manufacture within Australia. A failure of supply represents a serious risk to the water industry and the broader water supply to the population, and therefore any action taken to increase the availability, reliability and redundancy of supply of gaseous chlorine is strongly supported.

Council therefore supports the authorisation application as submitted by WSAA.

Should you require any further information in relation to this matter, please contact Council's Manager Water Operations, Matt Torr, on

Yours faithfully,

Jaek Passier

**Acting General Manager Water and Waste Services** 



