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Dear Bruce

Council Solutions applications for authorisation AA1000419 (processing) and AA1000420 (ancillary) — conferences

The Waste & Recycling Association of South Australia has requested that the Australian Competition & Consumer Commission (the ACCC) convene conferences in relation to two draft determinations, issued by the ACCC on 14 September 2018, proposing to grant authorisations AA1000419 and AA1000420 to Council Solutions.

The ACCC will hold two separate conferences on the draft determinations on **Monday 22 October 2018** at **Cliftons Adelaide** (Level 1, 80 King William St, Adelaide). Commissioner Sarah Court will chair the conferences. The conference for the processing services application will be held first, commencing at 10am, and the conference for the ancillary services application will be held after the processing services conference, but no earlier than 11am.

Attendance

Under the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (the Act), the applicants and other interested parties may attend the conferences.

Please provide the names of the Council Solutions representatives that will be attending the conference and their position titles and please indicate who will be the chief spokesperson.

Please note that, while conference participants may bring outside legal or other professional advisers to help them, they are not entitled to participate in the discussion at the conference(s).

Attached for your information are procedures usually followed at pre-decision conferences.

Submissions following the pre-decision conferences

Following the conferences, there will be an opportunity to provide a submission about the issues discussed at the conferences. Such submissions will be due by **2 November 2018** for both the processing and ancillary services applications.

The statutory deadline for the ACCC to issue final determinations about the processing and ancillary-services applications is 6 December 2018. The Act stipulates that if the ACCC has not made a decision by this date, the ACCC is deemed to have granted authorisation for the applications. The ACCC is likely to issue final determinations about these applications in late November. To ensure that the ACCC can make final decisions by this date, we will have limited flexibility in granting extensions beyond 2 November 2018 to provide further submissions.

A copy of this letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you require any further information about the conferences, please contact John Rouw on 03 9290 1402.

Yours sincerely

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