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Dear Ms Melanie

ACCC submission to PC inquiry into Tasmania's shipping costs and the competitiveness of Tasmania's freight industry

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) welcomes the opportunity to consult with the Productivity Commission (PC) on its inquiry into Tasmania's shipping costs and the competitiveness of Tasmania's freight industry.

The ACCC's views are set out in the attached submission. The submission identifies several factors which may be affecting costs in Tasmanian shipping and freight. It also identifies potential impediments to achieving lower shipping costs and a more competitive freight industry, some of which may require regulatory reform.

We are available to discuss this submission in more detail and otherwise assist as the Inquiry progresses.

Yours sincerely

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Chief Executive Officer

Attachment – ACCC submission to the Productivity Commission Inquiry into Tasmanian Shipping and Freight