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Dear Jemma

Consultation on water and sewerage mergers: draft guidance on the CMA's procedure and assessment

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the consultation on the CMA's draft guidance on its procedures and method of assessment of water and sewerage mergers.

We welcome the guidance and support the move to bring the special water merger regime into closer alignment with the general merger regime.

In our view:

- the content, format and presentation in the draft guidance is sufficiently clear;
- the level of detail is appropriate; and
- the guidance appears to be comprehensive.

We welcome the clarity, and transparency, that this consultation provides on the CMA's approach to mergers in the water and sewerage industry.

Yours sincerely

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