# Questionnaire: Kongsberg Defence – site within Newcastle Airport precinct

MN-01017

## Deadline to respond: 18 August 2025

## Instructions

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (**ACCC**) is currently assessing the notification of Kongsberg Defence Australia Pty Ltd’s (**Kongsberg**) proposed agreement to lease land in the Newcastle Airport precinct from Greater Newcastle Aerotropolis Pty Ltd (**GNAPL**) (the **Acquisition**)].

For further information about the ACCC’s assessment, see the [ACCC’s Acquisitions Register](https://www.accc.gov.au/public-registers/mergers-and-acquisitions-registers/acquisitions-register?init=1&f%5B0%5D=acccgov_merger_matter_status%3Aunder_assessment).

The ACCC is assessing the impact of the Acquisition on competition and is seeking your views. The ACCC invites you to provide submissions or information in response to the questions outlined below by 18 August 2025 via email to [mergers@accc.gov.au](mailto:mergers@accc.gov.au) with the title *Submission re: Kongsberg Defence – site within Newcastle Airport precinct*.

Please note that:

* This information has been sought under section 51ABZZD(2)(a) of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth) (the **Act**) and therefore, the ACCC may, but need not, take into account submissions or information received after 18 August 2025.
* In responding to the questions below, please highlight any confidential information in grey. The standard terms on which the ACCC accepts confidential information are outlined at the end of this document.

## Questions

1. Outline any concerns with the Acquisition’s impact on competition, including any impact on prices, service levels, quality, innovation or other relevant factors.
2. Provide any additional information or comments that you consider relevant to the ACCC’s assessment of the Acquisition.
3. Provide a brief description of your business or organisation, including any commercial relationships with Kongsberg and GNAPL.

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