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## **Win for common sense on Robbins Island wind farm**

The Tasmanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry is the voice of business in Tasmania and is a strong supporter of Tasmania's renewable energy future.

TCCI CEO Michael Bailey said that today's decision by TasCAT overturning a five-month shutdown condition on the proposed wind farm at Robbins Island was a win for common sense.

"This is great news for the Robbins Island project, great news for Tasmanian businesses and great news for Tasmania's potential to be a renewable energy powerhouse," Mr Bailey said.

"However, it does highlight glaring issues in the development and approval processes. How is it that we ended up here in the first place? Effectively we have one arm of government supporting renewable energy development, another arm imposing significant restrictions and yet another arm of government overturning the decision after a lengthy review process.

"If we want to have a clean, renewable energy future here in Tasmania we have to do better than this.

"We don't have enough energy as it is to meet growing demand. We're turning businesses away that want to invest because we don't have enough power and if we wrap every proponent in a tangle of red and green tape we will not be able to achieve our targets.

"The Government needs to do everything it can to clear the way for the Robbins Island project to become a reality. While today's announcement is welcome, it's just one step in the process."