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Mr Lance Hockridge
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~~Dear Mr Hockridge~~ *Lance*


Regulatory pre-approval for Coal Master Plan 2008 capacity expansion projects

On 24 February 2009, the Authority pre-approved 13 projects detailed in QR Network's Coal Master Plan 2008 (items 1-13 in **Attachment 1**). At that time, the Authority decided not to pre-approve the scope of four other projects (items 14-17 in the **Attachment**) and sought further information from QR Network about them.

QR Network has since supplied additional information to support its claim that the four projects are capacity expansion projects. Based on that additional information, the Authority today decided to pre-approve the scope of these four projects as provided for in clauses 2.2(a)(ii) and 2.3.2(b)(i) of schedule FB of the 2008 undertaking.

If you have further questions on this matter, please contact Paul Bilyk on (07) 3222 0506.

Yours sincerely



Brian Parmenter
Chairperson

Attachment 1: QR Network's capital expenditure, 2008 Coal Rail System Master Plan.

<i>Projects</i>	<i>Indicative Cost (\$millions)</i>
<i>Projects approved by the Authority – February 2009</i>	
1. Rocklands – Gracemere and Walton - Bluff duplications	80
2. Full Blackwater System Main Line Duplications Design package	8
Blackwater main line duplication the following four projects:	140
3. Kabra – Gracemere duplication	
4. Stanwell – Kabra duplication	
5. Dingo – Umolo duplication	
6. Walton – Parnabal - Umolo duplication	
7. Bridge Overload Speed Limits	0.5
8. Coppabella – Ingsdon duplication	82
9. Winchester – Peak Downs duplication	
10. Wotonga – Moranbah North duplication	
11. Saraji – Dysart passing loop	225
12. Bridge Overload Speed Limits	1.5
13. Early Works for Wiggins Island coal terminal	46
<i>Sub Total</i>	583
<i>Projects approved by the Authority – April 2009</i>	
14. Blackwater power system upgrade	120
15. Coal Loss project	3.0
16. Level Crossing Investigations	0.5
17. Noise Level Investigations	0.5
<i>Sub Total</i>	124
Total	707