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Dear Mr Matthews

## Consultation paper on Queensland Rail's western system coal tariffs

The Queensland Competition Authority (QCA) has prepared the attached consultation paper on the western system tariff for coal services. This consultation paper is based on stakeholder comments and Queensland Rail's June 2013 draft access undertaking (DAU) submission.

The consultation paper presents two options for the western system coal tariff, based on different treatments of the western system asset base. The QCA wants comments on the two options from Queensland Rail and other stakeholders prior to making a draft decision. The due date for submissions is Friday 4 July 2014.

We intend to hold a workshop in the coming weeks to enable Queensland Rail and its western system customers to discuss the tariff and tariff mechanism and to inform the QCA in its preparation of a draft decision.

If you would like to discuss any of the issues raised in the consultation paper, please contact Mr Ravi Prasad on 07 3222 0533.

Yours sincerely

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