



Dr Malcolm Roberts Chairman Queensland Competition Authority Level 27 145 Ann Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

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Dear Malcolm,

AURIZON NETWORK'S CAPRICORNIA SYSTEM RULES

Aurizon Network Pty Ltd (Aurizon Network) welcomes the opportunity to respond to the Queensland Competition Authority's (QCA's) Draft Decision of 21 April 2013 on Aurizon Network's proposed Capricornia System Rules. Following Aurizon Network's application, the QCA extended the timeframes for lodgment of submissions in reply to the Draft Decision to 21 August 2013.

Please find attached Aurizon Network's response to the Draft Decision. This submission provides an overview of Aurizon Network's review of the Draft Decision and is supplemented by Aurizon Network's revised Capricornia System Rules (attached). The revised Capricornia System Rules have been developed, incorporating the relevant elements of the Draft Decision. In addition, the rules take into consideration, and aligned to where possible, the drafting of the proposed Northern Bowen Basin System Rules to provide alignment across the central Queensland coal system.

In general, Aurizon Network considers the QCA's Draft Decision improves and provides further clarity on the planning and scheduling process of the Capricornia system. Aurizon Network has however identified some elements of the Draft Decision that do not accurately reflect Aurizon Network's scheduling process, or otherwise may not be required. Aurizon Network is confident that further consultation with the QCA will enable a resolution to be reached on these issues.

Over the coming month, Aurizon Network will be undertaking stakeholder consultation sessions to provide stakeholders with further details on the Capricornia System Rules and seek feedback on the proposed changes. It is suggested that this consultation run in parallel to the QCA's review process.

Should you have any enquiries regarding this matter, please contact Matthew Cronin on 07 3019 7768 or via email Matthew.Cronin@aurizon.com.au

Yours sincerely

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