

Our ref: MCR-15-248

Dr. Malcolm Roberts
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Queensland Competition Authority
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Dear Dr Roberts

**Request for Extension of 2008 Access Undertaking**

On 4 February 2015, the QCA issued an initial undertaking notice, under section 133 of the Queensland Competition Authority Act 1997 (the QCA Act), requiring Queensland Rail to submit a new draft access undertaking to replace 'QR Network's (2008) Access Undertaking' (2008AU), which is set to expire on 30 June 2015, within 90 days. As you are aware, the 2008AU regulates third party access to Queensland Rail's declared service.

QCA approval of the replacement draft access undertaking is not expected to be finalised until early 2016. As such, to provide continued regulatory certainty for stakeholders, and to allow sufficient time for the completion of the QCA approval process, Queensland Rail is seeking to extend the term of the 2008AU term to 30 June 2016 and the approval by the QCA of the replacement Access Undertaking.

Queensland Rail has sought industry feedback in relation to the extension of the term of AU2008 and the majority of those who have responded, support AU2008 being extended.

Accordingly, we are hereby submitting the attached *Draft Amending Access Undertaking* in both a marked-up version and a clean version, under section 142 of the QCA Act.

If you have any questions please contact Andrew Matthews, General Manager Access Revenue, on (07) 3072 3609.

Yours sincerely


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