Notice of Time Periods QR Network's Draft Amending Access Undertaking – Extension of Termination Date

On 30 October 2009, QR Network Pty Ltd (QR Network) submitted a draft amending access undertaking (DAAU) which proposed to extend the termination date of the 2008 undertaking from 31 December 2009 to 31 May 2010.

On 2 November 2009, the Queensland Competition Authority (the Authority) sought submissions from stakeholders in respect of QR Network's proposed extension. Stakeholders were requested to lodge submissions by 16 November 2009.

Time periods

In accordance with s.147A of the *Queensland Competition Authority Act 1997* (the QCA Act), the Authority must endeavour to decide whether to approve a DAAU within six months from the last day of the time for making submissions stated in the investigation notice.

The six-month period does not include any of the following periods:

- (a) a day in the period given by the Authority for making submissions in relation to a DAU or a related document;
- (b) a day in the period where a person has been required to give information or produce a document in response to a notice given by the Authority under s.185 of the QCA Act; and
- (c) day(s) agreed to, by the owner or operator of the service or the responsible person, as not being included in the six-month period.

Six-month period for QR Network's DAAU

In accordance with s.147A(4) of the QCA Act, the Authority states the following time periods for QR Network's DAAU:

- (a) the six-month period commenced on 16 November 2009; and
- (b) the six-month period ends on 16 May 2010.

The six-month period does not include the following days:

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On 10 December 2009, the Authority approved the DAAU submitted on 30 October 2009.



Chief Executive

11 December 2009