Queensland Competition Authority

File Ref: 1314419 18 October 2018

Ms Donna Bowman Manager Network Regulation (Access Undertaking) Aurizon Network Pty Ltd GPO Box 456 Brisbane Qld 4001

Dear Ms Bowman

Endorsed variation event: QCA levy

On 2 October 2018, Aurizon Network sought the QCA's approval to vary the 2018–19 QCA levy to address the over-recovery in the QCA fee for 2017–18 and the QCA fee for 2018–19.

Following a review of the material submitted by Aurizon Network, the QCA is satisfied that, in accordance with Schedule F, clause 5.5(c) of Aurizon Network's 2016 access undertaking (2016 AU), the QCA levy has been calculated correctly. The QCA is also satisfied that Aurizon Network's submitted levy of \$0.00 per net tonne from 1 November 2018 until the earlier of 31 December 2018 or the date on which a replacement undertaking takes effect is consistent with:

- the QCA fees for 2018–19 (including the over-recovery for 2017–18)
- the amount of regulatory fees expected to be collected to the end of October 2018
- the approved transitional system forecasts for 2018–19.

The QCA has therefore decided to approve Aurizon Network's proposal. This letter constitutes a written notice for the purposes of Schedule F, clause 5.5(d) of the 2016 AU. In accordance with that clause, Aurizon Network must:

- publish details of the variation to the QCA levy on its website
- advise access holders and access seekers, in respect of the relevant reference train services, of the variation to the QCA levy.

Yours sincerely ,

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