



Mr George Passmore
Queensland Competition Authority
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2024 Review of Aurizon Network's System Rules

Dear George,

I refer to my previous correspondence dated 20 February 2024 regarding the commencement of Aurizon Network's 2024 review of the Central Queensland Coal Network (**CQCN**) System Rules.

The 2024 review of the CQCN System Rules commenced in August 2023 and involved numerous stakeholder engagements during the following time periods:

- August 2023 to March 2024 - direct one-on-one engagements with Affected Persons (where required/requested);
- September to November 2023 - fortnightly group forums with Affected Persons to consult on proposed changes to Aurizon Network's planning and scheduling processes, resulting in;
 - › ongoing collection of feedback from Affected Persons resulting in refinements to the initial planning changes; and
 - › a plan to proceed with a CQCN trial for an approximate 7-month period commencing on or around 1 July 2024 (**Daily Rolling Plan Project**);
- December 2023 to March 2024 - weekly group forums with Affected Persons, resulting in;
 - › the release of Proposed Amendments to the System Rules (to enable the Daily Rolling Plan Project to proceed) to Affected Persons on 5 February 2024; and
 - › a total of 15 written submissions being received on the Proposed Amendments from Affected Persons.

A copy of all written submissions received from Affected Persons is provided at Appendix A.

Aurizon Network carefully considered the feedback received from Affected Persons and accordingly proposes a number of variations to the Proposed Amendments (**Variations**). The Variations are displayed via tracked changes to the Proposed Amendments and are provided at Appendix B. For clarity, the Variations have also been displayed via tracked changes to the existing System Rules at Appendix C.

In accordance with clause 7A.7.4(e)(iii) of UT5. Aurizon Network is also required to provide the QCA with an assessment of the submissions received and details of the impact the Proposed Amendments and Variations will or may have on the delivery of each Affected Persons' Train Service Entitlements. A Consultation Report is provided at Appendix D outlining this assessment.

Should you have any queries in relation to this submission, please do not hesitate to contact Lauren Dixon at lauren.dixon@aurizon.com.au

Yours sincerely,



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Appendices:

- A. A copy of all written submission received from Affected Persons
- B. Variations (with changes tracked against the Proposed Amendments)
- C. Variations (with changes tracked against the current approved System Rules¹)
- D. Consultation Report

¹ Approved by the QCA on 5 December 2022