Queensland Competition Authority

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Ms Cat Peppler
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Dear Ms Peppler

Review of the Electric Capacity Factor (ECF)

I wish to advise that the Queensland Competition Authority (QCA) has approved a new ECF for the Blackwater system (96%), with effect from 1 July 2027, in accordance with the 2017 access undertaking (Schedule F, clause 4.3(I) and Part 12, clause 12.1).

The QCA considers it reasonable for Aurizon Network to incorporate updated information on the capability of the rail infrastructure to carry coal through electric traction in the Blackwater system. The QCA has confirmed the calculations use the appropriate methodology, and updated estimates have been incorporated accurately.

The QCA notes that Aurizon Network consulted with stakeholders in proposing this update and, in response to stakeholder feedback, has committed to undertaking more regular and predictable reviews of the ECF. The QCA welcomes this commitment in the interests of certainty and transparency for all parties.

We will publish this letter and Aurizon Network's proposal on our website for stakeholders' information.

Yours sincerely

Tom Gole
Chief Executive Officer

cc: Dan Kearney, Head of Finance and Regulation
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