

Schedule D

Ultimate Holding Company Deed

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Aurizon Holdings Limited

Ultimate Holding Company Support Deed

Date:

Party

Aurizon Holdings Limited ACN 146 335 622 of Level 15, 175 Eagle Street, Brisbane in the State of Queensland (**Aurizon Holdings**)

Background

- A Aurizon Network is the railway manager of certain rail transport infrastructure, access to which is provided in accordance with the Access Undertaking.
- B In order to comply with certain obligations imposed on Aurizon Network pursuant to the Access Undertaking, Aurizon Network will require the cooperation of members of the Aurizon Group.
- C As required by **Part 3** of the Access Undertaking and the QCA's decision to approve the Access Undertaking, Aurizon Network has requested that Aurizon Holdings, as Aurizon Network's ultimate holding company, enter into this Deed in favour of the QCA. Aurizon Holdings has agreed to do so.

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Agreed terms

1 Definitions

In this Deed the following terms will have the meanings set out below. All other terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Access Undertaking.

Access Undertaking The Aurizon Network Access Undertaking approved by the QCA on **insert** in accordance with Part 5 of the Act (as amended from time to time in accordance with the Act).

Aurizon Network Aurizon Network Pty Ltd (ACN 132 181 116).

QCA Queensland Competition Authority

2 Term

Aurizon Holdings' obligations under this Deed will terminate upon the earlier of:

- (a) any new ultimate holding company of Aurizon Network providing a deed poll in substantially similar form to this Deed; or
- (b) expiry of the Access Undertaking.

3 Procuring Compliance by Aurizon Group

3.1 Procuring compliance with Access Undertaking

Aurizon Holdings ~~must~~, and ~~must~~ procure that each other member of the Aurizon Group:

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(a) ~~take all necessary steps to ensure Aurizon Network complies with its obligations in Part 3 of the Access Undertaking; and~~

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(b) ~~not direct or request Aurizon Network to act in contravention of its obligations in Part 3 of the Access Undertaking; and~~

(c) ~~in relation to Confidential Information:~~

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(i) ~~ensure that each Related Party complies with the provisions of the Access Undertaking that relate to Confidential Information it receives as if it were bound by the same obligations as Aurizon Network in respect of that Confidential Information;~~

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(ii) ~~not disclose Confidential Information received from Aurizon Network to any third party otherwise than as permitted by the Access Undertaking or with the consent of the Access Seeker or Access Holder to which the Confidential Information belongs or relates; and~~

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(iii) ~~secure, protect and take all such other steps as may be necessary to prevent any use or disclosure of Confidential Information other than as permitted by the Access Undertaking.~~

3.2 Ownership of Rail Infrastructure

~~Aurizon Holdings must, and must procure that each other member of the Aurizon Group:~~

(a) ~~ensure that Rail Infrastructure is, and remains, owned by Aurizon Network for the term of this Deed; and~~

(b) ~~take all necessary steps to ensure Aurizon Network owns all Rail Infrastructure developed by Aurizon Network in accordance with Part 8 of the Access Undertaking (except new Rail Infrastructure funded using SUFA).~~

3.3 Management separation

~~Without limiting clause 3.1(a),~~ Aurizon Holdings undertakes that:

(a) Aurizon Network's Executive Officer be maintained at the same or greater level of seniority within the organisational structure of the Aurizon Group, as the position of the executive manager with direct management responsibility for a Related Operator; or

(b) in the event there is more than one Related Operator, at the same or greater level of seniority within the organisational structure of the

Aurizon Group as the position of the most senior executive manager with direct management responsibility for a Related Operator.

3.4 Benefit of Deed

This Deed is provided in favour of the QCA.

3.5 Non-compliance

~~Nothing in this Deed prevents Access Holders, Access Seekers or Train Operators from lodging a complaint with the QCA against Aurizon Network for breach of this Deed in accordance with Part 3 of the Access Undertaking.~~

4 New Ultimate Holding Company

To the extent that Aurizon Holdings ceases to be the ultimate holding company of Aurizon Network, Aurizon Holdings must procure that the new ultimate holding company of Aurizon Network enters a deed poll in substantially similar form to this Deed as soon as reasonably practicable.

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Execution

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Executed by Aurizon Holdings Limited

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Company Secretary Signature

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Name of Director (print)

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