

STAKEHOLDER NOTICE

5 April 2017

Aurizon Network's Baseline Capacity Assessment Report

Aurizon Network submitted its Baseline Capacity Assessment Report (BCAR) to the QCA for approval on 21 March 2017, along with associated System Operating Parameters (SOPs). The BCAR was received pursuant to clause 7A.4.1 of the 2016 access undertaking.

Pursuant to clause 7A.4.1 (c) of the 2016 access undertaking, the QCA today publishes non-confidential versions of the BCAR and SOPs on its website and seeks stakeholders' submissions on the BCAR, and SOPs to the extent they are relevant to the BCAR, by **Friday 5 May 2017**, noting the BCAR is subject to QCA consideration and further amendment by Aurizon Network.

Submissions

Closing date for submissions: 5 May 2017

Public involvement is an important element of the decision-making processes of the Queensland Competition Authority (QCA). Therefore submissions are invited from interested parties concerning its assessment of Aurizon Network's Base. The QCA will take account of all submissions received.

Submissions, comments or inquiries regarding this paper should be directed to:

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Confidentiality

In the interests of transparency and to promote informed discussion, the QCA would prefer submissions to be made publicly available wherever this is reasonable. However, if a person making a submission does not want that submission to be public, that person should claim confidentiality in respect of the document (or any part of the document). Claims for confidentiality should be clearly noted on the front page of the submission and the relevant sections of the submission should be marked as confidential, so that the remainder of the document can be made publicly available. It would also be appreciated if two copies of each version of these submissions (i.e. the complete version and another excising confidential information) could be provided. Where it is unclear why a submission has been marked 'confidential', the status of the submission will be discussed with the person making the submission.

While the QCA will endeavour to identify and protect material claimed as confidential as well as exempt information and information disclosure of which would be contrary to the public interest (within the meaning of the *Right to Information Act 2009* (RTI)), it cannot guarantee that submissions will not be made publicly available. As stated in s 239 of the Queensland Competition Authority Act 1997, the Authority must take all reasonable steps to ensure the information is not disclosed without the person's consent, provided the Authority believes that disclosure of the information would be likely to damage the person's commercial activities and that the disclosure of the information would not be in the public interest. Notwithstanding this, there is a possibility that the Authority may be required to reveal confidential information as a result of a RTI request.

Public access to submissions

Subject to any confidentiality constraints, submissions will be available for public inspection at the Brisbane office, or on the website at www.qca.org.au. If you experience any difficulty gaining access to documents please contact us on (07) 3222 0555.