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Dear Malcolm

Aurizon Network Pty Ltd – Draft Amending Access Undertaking to extend the term of the 2010 Access Undertaking

In April 2014, Aurizon Network submitted a Draft Amending Access Undertaking (DAAU) to the QCA, seeking to extend the expiry of its 2010 Access Undertaking (2010AU) to 30 June 2015 and to propose transitional Reference Tariffs for the 2015 financial year (FY2015).

FY2015 Reference Tariffs included allowable revenues associated with Aurizon Network's Review Event claim for the 2013 flood event. The allowable revenues are included in AT₂₋₄ System Allowable Revenues and Reference Tariffs for the Blackwater and Moura systems.

Aurizon Network notes, and accepts, the QCA's decision to refuse to approve the April DAAU on the basis that the QCA is yet to finalise its decision on this Review Event claim. Aurizon Network agrees with the QCA's recommendation that a new DAAU be submitted which aligns with the QCA's decision by excluding the allowable revenues associated with the Review Event claim.

Aurizon Network submits the enclosed voluntary DAAU (May DAAU) for approval.

The May DAAU is in clean and mark-up versions and is accompanied by a soft copy of the pricing model supporting the FY2015 Transitional Tariffs, exclusive of the Review Event claim. Consistent with past submissions, Aurizon Network requests that the pricing model is not published as it contains information on specific Train Services.

The clauses amended as a result of the QCA's decision on the April DAAU are as follows:

- Clause 5.3 AT₂₋₄ System Allowable Revenue for Blackwater;
- Clause 5.4(a) AT₃ and AT₄ Reference Tariff components for Blackwater;
- Clause 5.4(b) Blackwater System Premiums for Rolleston and Minerva and System Discount for Stanwell Power Station;
- Clause 7.3 AT₂₋₄ System Allowable Revenue for Moura; and
- Clause 7.4 AT₃ and AT₄ Reference Tariff components for Moura.

A small amendment has also been made to the Goonyella AT₅ System Allowable Revenue (Clause 6.3) to correct a negligible transposition error in the April DAAU.

Should you have any queries in relation to the May DAAU, please do not hesitate to contact Michael Bray on (07) 3019 1077 or michael.bray@aurizon.com.au.

Yours sincerely.

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