Notice of time periods

The Queensland Competition Authority (QCA) received from Aurizon Network a draft amending access undertaking (the May 2016 extension DAAU) on 31 May 2016. The extension DAAU extends the terminating date of the 2010 access undertaking until the earlier of 30 September 2016 or the date on which a QCA-approved replacement undertaking takes effect.

The QCA's investigation into the extension DAAU began on 2 June 2016 and stakeholders have until 16 June 2016 to lodge submissions.

Time periods

In accordance with section 147A of the *Queensland Competition Authority Act 1997* (Qld) (QCA Act), the QCA must endeavour to decide whether to approve or not approve a draft access undertaking within six months from the last day of the time for making submissions stated in the investigation notice.

The six-month period does not include any of the following periods:

- (a) a day in the period given by us for making submissions in relation to a DAAU or a related document
- (b) a day in the period where a person has been required to give information or produce a document in response to a notice given by us under section 185 of the QCA Act
- (c) day(s) agreed to, by the owner or operator of the service or the responsible person, as not being included in the six-month period.

Six-month period for Aurizon Network's May 2016 extension DAAU

In accordance with section 147A(4) of the QCA Act, we state the following time periods for the extension DAAU:

- (a) the six-month period commences on 17 June 2016
- (b) the six-month period ends on 17 December 2016.

John Hindmarsh Chief Executive Officer

2 June 2016