Notice of Time Periods

QR Network Pty Ltd's Goonyella to Abbot Point Expansion Draft Amending Access Undertaking

On 10 September 2012, QR Network submitted a draft amending access undertaking (DAAU) to the approved 2010 access undertaking for a reference tariff for the Goonyella to Abbot Point expansion (GAPE).

On 12 September 2012, the Authority notified stakeholders of its intention to commence an investigation to decide whether or not to approve QR Network's DAAU. Stakeholders were requested to lodge submissions by 26 October 2012 – this was subsequently extended to 16 November 2012.

Time periods

In accordance with s.147A of the *Queensland Competition Authority Act 1997* (the QCA Act), the Authority must endeavour to decide whether to approve a DAAU 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 the Authority 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 the Authority under s.185 of the QCA Act; and
- (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 QR Network's GAPE DAAU

In accordance with s.147A(4) of the QCA Act, the Authority states the following time periods for QR Network's DAAU:

- (a) the six-month period commences on 10 September 2012; and
- (b) the six-month period currently ends on 16 May 2013.

From	To		Total Days	Reason
12 September 2012	16	November	65	These days were given by the Authority to QR Network and
	2012			interested parties to make submissions on the DAAU.

On 12 April 2013, Aurizon Network withdrew its 2012 GAPE DAAU and submitted a revised GAPE DAAU proposal.

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