

Aurizon Network's 2025 UT5 DAAU

8 September 2026

Notice of time periods

The QCA has updated the six-month statutory timeframe for assessing Aurizon Network's 2025 UT5 draft amending access undertaking (DAAU), in accordance with our *Queensland Competition Authority Act 1997* (QCA Act) obligations.

In accordance with section 147A of the QCA Act, the QCA must use its best endeavours to decide whether to approve, or refuse to approve, Aurizon Network's 2025 UT5 DAAU within six months from the last day of the time for making submissions stated in the investigation notice. However, the six-month period does not include any of the following periods:

- a day in the period given by the QCA for making submissions in relation to Aurizon Network's 2025 UT5 DAAU or a related document
- 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 QCA under section 185 of the QCA Act
- 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.

Statutory timeframe for our assessment

The six-month period for assessing Aurizon Network's 2025 UT5 DAAU commenced on 17 March 2026.

The six-month statutory timeframe does not include the following period:

- 23 June 2026 to 27 August 2026 to account for the draft decision consultation period.

The six-month statutory timeframe for assessing Aurizon Network's 2025 UT5 DAAU is now scheduled to expire on **23 November 2026**, but this date may be extended to account for any future periods of time that are excluded from the statutory timeframe in accordance with section 147A of the QCA Act.¹

¹ An updated notice of time periods will be issued detailing any changes to the stated timeframe for assessing Aurizon Network's 2025 UT5 DAAU, as well as reasons for the change.