

## ROLE DESCRIPTION – SENIOR ECONOMIC ANALYST

<b>Title</b>	<b>Senior Economic Analyst</b> <b>2 positions</b>	<b>Basis of employment</b>	Permanent Full time / part time available
<b>Closing date</b>	1 October 2023	<b>Contact details</b>	<a href="mailto:hr@qca.org.au">hr@qca.org.au</a> Human Resources Unit (07) 3222 0555
<b>Annual salary</b>	FTE salary level within the band will be determined based on the candidate's skills and experience: \$105,000 - \$135,000	<b>Location</b>	145 Ann Street, Brisbane
<b>Reporting line</b>	Project Manager	<b>Number of direct reports</b>	N/A

### This opportunity

Your primary focus as a QCA Senior Analyst will be to apply your well-developed research and analytical skills and your detailed knowledge of regulatory economics and contemporary economic theory to review data and information, with the aim to develop solutions to problems and issues in the regulation of monopoly businesses in Queensland.

You will be highly proficient in using a suite of tools and models to analyse and resolve complex issues and problems. You will also prepare detailed and technically sound reports containing solid and defensible recommendations that address the core regulatory issues under consideration.

We are seeking two analysts - one with economic expertise and experience in undertaking financial modelling, and a second with economic and legal expertise.

### Key responsibilities

You will:

- apply microeconomic theory to economic regulation of natural monopolies
- analyse and form views on the efficiency of cost and financial data

- compile and analyse cost and financial data, including trends over time and comparison to similar monopoly providers
- use cost and demand data to calculate prices to apply in Queensland's rail, ports, water and electricity industries
- research industry characteristics, regulatory precedents and regulatory practice in other jurisdictions
- draft clear, concise sections/chapters of decision documents or other reports
- apply the legislative and policy framework, including National Competition Policy, that governs the QCA's activities
- contribute to stakeholder consultation and negotiations and assist with the management of external consultants

## Success criteria and core capabilities

We will assess your suitability for this role by looking at what you have done previously - the knowledge, skills and experience you have built - your potential for development and your personal qualities. We will consider how well you demonstrate:

- a sound understanding of the economic and legal basis of monopoly regulation, and an ability to quickly acquire an understanding of the industries that are subject to regulation and related complex strategic issues
- good problem solving and economic-policy-analysis skills and/or legal-analysis skills, including quantitative skills such as financial spreadsheets and/or modelling
- a sound understanding of administrative law and the legal framework of the National Competition Policy
- well-developed communication and writing skills, including being able to prepare reports/chapters that contain logical, well-supported analysis and conclusions
- well-developed prioritisation and organisational skills and the ability to be self-directed and to manage time commitments to ensure deadlines are met
- an ability to work effectively and collaboratively in a team and contribute to the success of the project, and an ability to develop positive working relationships with key internal and external stakeholders.

## Mandatory requirements/qualifications

Tertiary qualifications in economics and/or law are highly regarded, as is membership of a relevant professional association such as the Economic Society of Australia.

To be successful in this role, you will need to have a minimum of 3 to 5 years relevant work experience.

## Additional information

More information about the QCA, this role and the benefits of working for us are provided in the Candidate Information Pack.

## How to apply

Please provide:

- your resume, containing details of two referees. At least one referee should have a thorough knowledge of your work over the past two years as your manager or supervisor
- a cover letter highlighting your skills and where/how you obtained this experience (in a maximum of 2 pages) demonstrating your ability to undertake the responsibilities and requirements of the role as outlined in 'Success Criteria and Core Capabilities'

Applications can be submitted via email to [hr@qca.org.au](mailto:hr@qca.org.au).