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Mr Alex Kummant
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Dear Mr Kummant *Alex*

Aurizon Network's Further Extension Draft Amending Access Undertaking – May 2014

On 23 May 2014, we received Aurizon Network Pty Ltd (Aurizon Network's) application to approve a draft amending access undertaking (the May 2014 Extension DAAU). Among other things, the application seeks approval to extend the terminating date of your 2010 access undertaking until 30 June 2015. The application was lodged with us in accordance with section 142(1) of the *Queensland Competition Authority Act 1997* (the QCA Act).

Section 146 of the QCA Act requires us to provide you with a formal notice if we propose to conduct an investigation, and invite written submissions. This is to advise that we intend to conduct such an investigation before we decide whether to approve, or refuse to approve, your May 2014 Extension DAAU.

Under section 143 of the QCA Act, we may only approve a DAAU if, among other things, we have:

- (a) published the DAAU and invited persons to make submissions
- (b) considered those submissions.

We have published the May 2014 Extension DAAU on our website (www.qca.org.au) and sought submissions from interested parties. The due date for submissions is 2 June 2014. A submissions page is attached for your consideration, should Aurizon Network wish to make a submission.

Any enquiries on this matter should be directed to Tania Homan on (07) 3222 0504.

Yours sincerely



Malcolm Roberts
Chairman

SUBMISSIONS

Closing date for submissions: 2 June 2014

Public involvement is an important element of the decision-making processes of the Queensland Competition Authority (QCA). Therefore submissions are invited from interested parties concerning our assessment of Aurizon Network's Extension Draft Amending Access Undertaking – May 2014. The QCA will take account of all submissions received.

Submissions, comments or inquiries regarding this paper should be directed to:

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In the interests of transparency and to promote informed discussion, the QCA would prefer submissions to be made publicly available wherever this is reasonable. However, if a person making a submission does not want that submission to be public, that person should claim confidentiality in respect of the document (or any part of the document). Claims for confidentiality should be clearly noted on the front page of the submission and the relevant sections of the submission should be marked as confidential, so that the remainder of the document can be made publicly available. It would also be appreciated if two copies of each version of these submissions (i.e. the complete version and another excising confidential information) could be provided. Where it is unclear why a submission has been marked 'confidential', the status of the submission will be discussed with the person making the submission.

While the QCA will endeavour to identify and protect material claimed as confidential as well as exempt information and information disclosure of which would be contrary to the public interest (within the meaning of the Right to Information Act 2009 (RTI)), it cannot guarantee that submissions will not be made publicly available.

Public access to submissions

Subject to any confidentiality constraints, submissions will be available for public inspection at the Brisbane office, or on the website at www.qca.org.au. If you experience any difficulty gaining access to documents please contact us on (07) 3222 0555.