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Mr Alex Kummant
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Dear Mr Kummant

Endorsed variation event: QCA levy

On 21 October 2016, Aurizon Network sought the QCA's approval to vary the 2016–17 QCA levy to address the under-recovery in the QCA fee for 2015–16 and the QCA fee for 2016–17.


Following a review of the material submitted by Aurizon Network, the QCA is satisfied that, in accordance with clause 5.5(c) of Schedule F of Aurizon Network's 2016 access undertaking (2016 AU), the QCA levy has been calculated correctly and Aurizon Network's submitted levy of \$0.0289 per net tonne from 1 December 2016 to 30 June 2017 is consistent with:

- the QCA fees for 2016–17 (including the under-recovery for 2015–16);
- the amount of regulatory fees expected to be collected to the end of November 2016; and
- the approved system forecasts for 2016–17.

The QCA has therefore decided to approve Aurizon Network's proposal. This letter constitutes a written notice for the purposes of clause 5.5(d), Schedule F of the 2016 AU. In accordance with that clause, Aurizon Network must:

- publish details of the variation to the QCA levy on its website; and
- advise access holders and access seekers, in respect of the relevant reference train services, of the variation to the QCA levy.

Yours sincerely



Charles Millstead
Chief Executive Officer

cc: Ms Donna Bowman, Network Regulation Manager, Aurizon Network