

Notice of Time Periods

QR National Network Pty Ltd's 2011 Draft Amended Access Undertaking

On 24 December 2010, QR National Network (QRNN) submitted a draft amending access undertaking (the 2011 DAAU) in line with clause 7.6(a) of the 2010 access undertaking. The 2011 DAAU includes a proposed standard user funding agreement and revisions necessary to implement schedule J – investment framework principles.

At the same time, QRNN has yet to submit an explanatory note outlining the proposed amendments to its 2010 access undertaking or its proposed standard user funding agreement. QRNN has advised that a detailed note will be submitted by 21 January 2011.

On 5 January 2011, the Authority notified stakeholders of its intention to commence an investigation to decide whether or not to approve QR National Network's 2011 DAAU and standard user funding agreement. Stakeholders were requested to lodge submissions by 18 February 2011, being four weeks from the date of the expected receipt of the outstanding QRNN information.

Time periods

In accordance with s.147A of 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 2010 DAU

In accordance with s.147A(4) of the QCA Act, the Authority states the following time periods for QRNN's 2011 DAU:

- (a) the six-month period commences on 18 February 2011; and
- (b) the six-month period currently ends on 18 August 2011.

From	To	Total Days	Reason
5 January 2011	18 February 2011	45	These days were given by the Authority to QR National Network and interested parties to make submissions on the DAU.


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Chief Executive
5 January 2011