

Notice

Queensland Rail's 2025 draft access undertaking

29 July 2024

Request for collaborative submissions

We received 7 submissions in response to our draft decision on Queensland Rail's 2025 draft access undertaking (DAU), and published them on our <u>website</u>.

We are offering Queensland Rail and other stakeholders a further 8 weeks to find common ground and share agreed positions with us. These collaborative submissions are due on **Tuesday 24 September 2024**.

We encourage parties to focus on areas where outstanding areas of disagreement can be resolved. They may also wish to provide further evidence to support or oppose proposals. For matters where differences remain, parties may wish to make proposals that they consider address the concerns of other stakeholders as well as their own. There is no need to repeat arguments made in previous submissions on the 2025 DAU or our draft decision.

As part of this process, we also encourage Queensland Rail and other stakeholders to consider and reach consensus on specific drafting amendments to the DAU to address issues stakeholders have raised. Stakeholders may wish to explain why these provisions are appropriate for us to approve, having regard to the criteria in section 138(2) of the *Queensland Competition Authority Act 1997*.

Submissions

Closing date for submissions: 24 September 2024

Public involvement is an important element of our decision-making processes. Therefore, we invite submissions from interested parties. We will take account of all submissions received within the stated timeframes. Submissions, comments or inquiries regarding this paper should be directed to:

Queensland Competition Authority

GPO Box 2257, Brisbane QLD 4001 Tel 07 3222 0555 www.gca.org.au/submissions/

Confidentiality

In the interests of transparency, and to promote informed consultation, we intend to make all submissions publicly available. However, if a person making a submission believes that information in it is confidential, they should claim confidentiality over the relevant information (and state the basis for that claim). We will assess confidentiality claims in accordance with the Queensland Competition Authority Act 1997. Among other things, we will assess if disclosure of the relevant information is likely to damage a person's commercial activities, and we will consider the public interest.

Claims for confidentiality should be clearly noted on the front page of a submission, and relevant sections of the submission marked as confidential. The submission should also be provided in both redacted and unredacted versions. In the redacted version, all information claimed as confidential should be removed or hidden. In the unredacted version, all information should be exposed and visible. These measures will make it easier for us to make the remainder of the document publicly available. A confidentiality claim template is available at **www.qca.org.au/submission-policy/**

The template gives guidance on the type of information that may help us to assess a confidentiality claim. We encourage stakeholders to use this template when making confidentiality claims.

Public access to submissions

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