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Queensland Competition Authority **GPO Box 2257** Brisbane QLD 4001 rail@gca.org.au

Dear Mr Bilyk,

Yours sincerely

## Capricornia System Rules - Draft Determination

CS Energy prepared a response to the Draft Determination as it was concerned that Gladstone Power Station may lose priority of "domestic cyclic services" over "coal-export cyclic services" in Aurizon's network. In the Draft Determination of the Capricornia System Rules the Authority reached the conclusion (with Draft Decision 3.2 (f)) that cyclic train services for export terminals should have the same priority as domestic cyclic services destined for power stations.

The Authority requested comment by 21st October 2013 on the new Aurizon system rules published in response to the Draft Determination. Without further explaining our rationale as to why CS Energy believes power stations should have priority over export terminals, we find the draft Rules unacceptable. This is because, to our knowledge, there is no mention of prioritising services for domestic power stations in the draft provided by Aurizon.

In summary, CS Energy does not believe the redrafted Capricornia System Rules to be reasonable and request the Authority determine that Aurizon should redraft the Rules inclusive of a clause prioritising services to power stations.

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