



Queensland Rail's 2025 draft access undertaking

23 August 2024

New deadline for collaborative submissions: 8 November 2024

Queensland Rail and other stakeholders have asked us to extend the deadline for collaborative submissions on Queensland Rail's 2025 draft access undertaking (DAU), to give parties time to finalise agreed positions.

We welcome that Queensland Rail is engaging with stakeholder groups and look forward to receiving submissions that reflect agreement on as many matters as possible. Accordingly, we have extended the deadline for collaborative submissions until **Friday 8 November 2024**.

We are providing this extra time to enable Queensland Rail and stakeholders to achieve consensus and gain necessary approvals through their governance processes. However, we are also mindful of the benefits of a timely outcome, and the need to conduct a subsequent final round of consultation on our positions, particularly on matters where parties have not been able to agree.

We are required to weigh all matters – agreed or not – having regard to all the criteria in section 138(2) of the *Queensland Competition Authority Act 1997*.

Submissions

Closing date for submissions: 8 November 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**.