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Joel,

RE: MP07_0171 MOD 1 (SSI -6090) Condition F2

Aurizon Holdings Limited (Aurizon) is seeking to notify the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPI&E) of its proposed approach to achieving compliance with Conditions C9, C19 and F2 (the Conditions) of State Significant Infrastructure Approval MP07_0171 MOD 1 (SSI-6090) (the Approval).

The Conditions require that prior to commencing operation of the Turning Angle Aurizon shall prepare and implement an Operation Environmental Management Plan, Stormwater Management Plan and Surface and Groundwater Monitoring Plan (the Plans) for the project. The Plans may be approved as per the following wording which is consistent across the Conditions:

“.....

Prior to construction [sic] of the Turning Angle Works, the Proponent must provide a copy of the revised plan including the Turning Angle Works to the Environmental Representative for approval. The ER may approve minor updates to the plan without further consultation with public authorities.

.....”

The Plans were originally approved in 2014 to permit operation of the Train Support Facility. Subsequent revisions have been undertaken with the most recent revision completed and approved by the DPI&E in late 2019 (Attachment 1). This revision included the incorporation of the 2018 Independent Environmental Audit findings and Response to Recommendations conditions.

As the Plans were reviewed and approved in late 2019 and updates to reflect and support operation of the Turning Angle are relatively minor, Aurizon is proposing to only seek approval from the ER prior to the Turning Angle commencing operation.

Assuming the ER approves the updated Plans a copy of these documents will be issued to the DPI&E for their reference.

Aurizon understands that the ER may determine that the updates are not minor and may request the Plans be issued to the DPI&E for review and approval.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Harry Egan', followed by a checkmark.

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**Attachment 1 – Approval of OEMP (condition F2) Hexham Train Support Facility –
MP07_0171**

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Mr Harry Egan
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Dear Mr Egan

**Approval of Operational Environmental Management Plan (condition F2)
Hexham Train Support Facility – MP07_0171**

I refer to your submission requesting approval of the updated Operational Environmental Management Plan (OEMP) under condition F2 and relevant sub-plans under conditions C9 and C19 of MP07_0171. I note the updates are required to address non-compliances and auditor recommendations resulting from the 2019 Independent Environmental Audit conducted under condition D5(d) of the project approval.

I note that your request:

- includes Aurizon's Response to Auditor Recommendations which has been reviewed by the Compliance Team within the Department of Planning Industry and Environment (DPIE) who raised no issues;
- addresses the two non-compliance issues and five auditor recommendations;
- includes updates that remove expired construction and non-environmental management related requirements and improve the usability of the management plans; and
- contains the information required by the conditions of approval.

As delegate of the Planning Secretary, I approve the following documents:

Document	Revision and date	Pursuant to condition
OEMP	Rev 8, dated 27 May 2019	F2
Surface and Groundwater Management Sub-plan	Rev 8, 29 May 2019	C19
Stormwater Management Plan	Rev 8, 30 May 2019	C9

I note that the following updated plans have also been provided to the Department for information:

- Fauna and Flora Management Plan Rev 4, dated 30 May 2019 under condition C3
- Flood Emergency Management Plan Rev 7, dated 29 May 2019 under condition C15; and
- Waste Management Plan Rev 4 dated 27 May 2019 under conditions C25-28.

As noted by Compliance in correspondence dated 4 June 2019, you are required to report on the status of implementing the Site Management Plan in the annual Operational Compliance Report, in accordance with the requirements of condition E33.

You are reminded that if there is inconsistency between the approved plans and the conditions of the approval, then the requirements of the conditions of approval will prevail.

Please ensure you make the updated OEMP and management plans publicly available on the project website once approved. You are reminded that operation of the project needs to be conducted in accordance with the updated OEMP and management plans and to meet all other relevant conditions.

If you have any questions, please contact Joanne Glass on the details listed above.

Yours sincerely

 30/8/2019

Erica van den Honert

Director – Infrastructure Management

Planning and Assessment

As delegate of the Planning Secretary