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**AUSTRALIAN RAIL TRACK CORPORATION LTD**  
**ARTC 2024 INTERSTATE NETWORK ACCESS UNDERTAKING**  
**APPLICATION TO THE ACCC**

Please find enclosed a copy of the application documentation supporting the Australian Rail Track Corporation Ltd (**ARTC**) 2024 Interstate Network Access Undertaking (**2024 IAU**) for the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's (**ACCC**) consideration.

The 2008 Interstate Network Access Undertaking (**2008 IAU**) was accepted by the ACCC on 30 July 2008 with a Commencement Date of 20 August 2008, a term of 10 years and a current expiry date of 30 June 2024.

ARTC submits this voluntary access undertaking pursuant to the provisions of Part IIIA of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth) to replace the existing 2008 IAU.

The following documentation comprising ARTC's application of the 2024 IAU is intended for publishing should the ACCC wish to do so and includes:

- 1 an Explanatory Guide for the 2024 IAU for public release which:
  - a. identifies the changes proposed to the 2008 IAU;
  - b. summarises the consultation process undertaken by ARTC; and
  - c. provides further detail on the arbitration process;
- 2 a clean version of the 2024 IAU;
- 3 a compare of the 2024 IAU against the 2008 IAU showing changes from the 2008 IAU;
- 4 a clean version of the 2024 Indicative Track Access Agreement (**2024 ITAA**); and
- 5 a compare of the 2024 ITAA against the 2008 ITAA showing changes from the 2008 ITAA.

This application is made following consultation with industry stakeholders and the ACCC.

ARTC seeks the ACCC's acceptance and approval of the 2024 IAU, including the 2024 ITAA.

For further information regarding this application, please contact Simon Ormsby on [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] (email) or Gavin Carney on [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] (email).

Yours sincerely

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