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Dear Emma

**RE: 2018 INTERSTATE ACCESS UNDERTAKING –WITHDRAWAL REQUEST**

I refer to the Australian Competition & Consumer Commission (**ACCC**) draft decision on the Australian Rail Track Corporation's (**ARTC**) 2018 Interstate Access Undertaking (**2018 IAU**) dated 20 December 2018 (**ACCC Draft Decision**) and ARTC's application to extend and vary the existing 2008 Interstate Access Undertaking on 29 January 2019 (**2008 IAU Extension**).

In light of discussions with stakeholders and expressed concerns in respect of the certainty associated with the proposed reconciliation process, ARTC withdraws its application for approval by the ACCC of the **2008 IAU Extension** as permitted under section 44ZZA(7)(a) of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (CCA)*.

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