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Dear Emma

Consultation on proposed variation to the Australian Rail Track Corporation Limited (ARTC) 2008 Interstate Access Undertaking

Thank you for your letter on the current state of the process with ARTC and seeking of SCT's response to the questions posed at Appendix A of your document dated 30 January 2019.

Appendix A responses:

1. SCT see this as appropriate as it gives the rest of the industry time to conclude agreements based on the revised IAU and ITAA
2. Whilst philosophically we don't like the automatic right to rate increase this has been normal practice in the past and is appropriate
3. Whilst we do not like the quantum of this increase we understand the rationale. I will note that this increase is substantially less than the increase ARC applied for the Kalgoolie to Perth section and that the ARTC rate is still substantially less on a like for like basis. This variance is no doubt reflective of the difference in the regulatory regimes that govern the approach taken by both parties.
4. Yes
5. Yes
6. Yes
7. Yes



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9. Not that we can see

10. Not that we can see

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Williams', written in a cursive style.

Andrew Williams
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