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Submissions – WA Rail
National Competition Council
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Dear Sirs

Certification of the WA Rail Access Regime

Alcoa has reviewed the submission by the WA Government in relation to certification.

Our view is that the WA Rail Access Regime can be certified, however we recommend that certification is given for a period no longer than five (5) years.

Alcoa understands that no access arrangements operate within the Regime at this point, despite it having been in place for many years. As a result, it is difficult to establish whether the competition requirements are being satisfied in a practical, rather than theoretical, sense.

Within the next few years Alcoa anticipates that new access arrangements, operating within the Regime, will have been negotiated. A review by the NCC five years from now will therefore be able to establish more definitely whether the Regime is effective.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Oliver", written in a cursive style.

John Oliver
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