## Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure



Our ref: DA-339886

Harry Egan Senior Adviser Environment Aurizon Operations Limited 900 Ann Street Fortitude Valley QLD 4006

29 August 2024

## Subject: Aurizon Port Facility Storage Changes and Increases - Request for Additional Information

Dear Mr Egan

I refer to your recent response to issues raised in advice from City of Newcastle Council and the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA). The Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (the Department) has consulted with, and received responses from Council and the EPA which are now available on the NSW planning portal <u>here</u>.

The Department shares significant concerns with the EPA over the large exceedances in the sleep disturbance noise level trigger for residential receivers in Stockton. In addition to providing a response to the issues raised by the EPA, the Department requests that further information be provided to demonstrate all feasible and reasonable at-source and barrier noise mitigation measures have been considered to mitigate the residual exceedance. This information is to be provided in the format that is similar to Table 3.1 of the Noise Policy for Industry.

You are requested to provide the information, or notification that the information will not be provided, to the Department by 29 September 2024.

If you cannot meet this deadline, please provide and commit to an alternative timeframe for providing this information.

If you have any questions, please contact Thomas Bertwistle on 02 8275 1025 or via email at <u>Thomas.Bertwistle@planning.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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