For personal use only

Aurizon Holdings Limited
ABN 14 146 335 622

ASX Market Announcements
ASX Limited
20 Bridge Street
Sydney NSW 2000

BY ELECTRONIC LODGEMENT

14 March 2016

Aurizon extends NSW coal haulage agreement

Please find attached for immediate release to the market.

Kind regards

Dominic D Smith
VP & Company Secretary

ASX Announcement

14 March 2016

Aurizon extends NSW coal haulage agreement

Aurizon has secured a long-term contract extension with BHP Billiton for its Mt Arthur Coal mine in the Hunter Valley to June 2028.

The contract allows for a potential increase in Aurizon's coal haulage volumes from the current 18 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) up to a maximum of 26 mtpa. The varied contract delivers a modern and flexible agreement for both BHP Billiton and Aurizon.

Aurizon EVP Commercial & Marketing Mauro Neves said, "Aurizon is delighted to extend its long-term relationship with BHP Billiton in New South Wales. BHP Billiton was Aurizon's foundation customer in the Hunter Valley when we commenced operations in the region in 2005."

"The recent opening of our $180 million Hexham Train Support Facility in Newcastle is a signal of our commitment and confidence in the local coal industry. The facility has strengthened our business to support the growth and future success of our customers."

Aurizon has experienced significant growth since commencing operations in the Hunter Valley in 2005, hauling 42.9 million tonnes of coal during Financial Year 2015 with a workforce of approximately 330 employees.

The Mt Arthur Coal open cut thermal coal mine is located near the town of Muswellbrook in New South Wales' Hunter Valley coal region, approximately 130km North-West of Newcastle.

For more information:

Investors:
Catherine Guest
+61 400 184 219

Media:
Mark Hairsine
+61 418 877 574

For personal use only