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INFORMATION

Inquiry into the Efficient Costs and Tariffs of the Water Corporation, Aqwest and the Busselton Water Board

TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Economic Regulation Authority (Authority), at the request of the Treasurer, will undertake an inquiry into the efficient costs and tariffs of the Water Corporation, Aqwest and the Busselton Water Board for a three year period to 2015-16.

In accordance with the Terms of Reference, the Authority is required to investigate and report on the efficient costs and appropriate charges for the services provided by the Water Corporation, Aqwest and the Busselton Water Board. The Authority is required to consider, but not limit its investigation to, recommended tariff levels and charging structures for water, wastewater and drainage services.

The Authority is also required to make recommendations on the most appropriate level and structure of water storage charges to the South West Irrigation Management Co-operative (Harvey Water).

An issues paper will soon be published by the Authority to help interested parties understand the matters under review and to facilitate submissions. The issues paper and information on how to make a submission will be published on the Authority's website.

After considering the responses to the issues paper, the Authority will publish a draft report for further public consultation.

The final report for the inquiry is due to be delivered to the State Government by 2 November 2012, after which the Government will have 28 days to table the report in Parliament.

A copy of the Terms of Reference is available on the Authority's [website](#).

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