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Dear Tyson,

RE: Western Power application for exemption from certain requirements of the Technical Rules in relation to the connection of the Nilgen Wind Farm

Wind Prospect WA Pty Ltd (WPWA) welcomes the opportunity to make a public submission on Western Power's application to the Western Australia Economic for exemption from certain requirements of the Technical Rules in relation to the connection of Nilgen Wind Farm.

Wind Prospect is supportive of Western Power's application and believes the ERA should grant the exemption. Wind Prospect strongly believes generation proponents should have an option to select the level of reliability that suits their needs.

Wind Prospect understands Western Power and ERA are exploring a blanket derogation of certain aspects of the Technical Rules which will facilitate options for constrained access to the SWIS. Wind Prospect encourages the ERA and Western Power to continue to develop a process setting in place provisions to allow generators to select either constrained or unconstrained access on the SWIS.

Wind Prospect note the Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC) is currently conducting a Transmission Frameworks Review, which includes proposed optional firm access arrangements. Wind Prospect encourages any network access revisions be conducted in context of these optional firm access arrangements proposed by AEMC to consider how they may relate to the SWIS and facilitate efficient generation and transmission investment in the long term and particular for the current and planned expansion in renewable technologies.

Yours sincerely

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