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Review of Western Power's Metrology Procedure for Metering Installations on the Western Power Network

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

The Economic Regulation Authority has initiated a review of the Metrology Procedure for Metering Installations on the Western Power Network (**Metrology Procedure**). Western Power's Metrology Procedure provides guidance on the correct provision, installation and maintenance of metering installations in line with the principles of the *Electricity Industry (Metering) Code 2012* (**Code**). The Metrology Procedure also provides guidance to interested third parties as to the requirements for metering within the Western Power Network.

Western Power's current [Metrology Procedure](#) was approved in September 2006. Western Power has updated its Metrology Procedure to take account of changes made to the Code as a result of the Electricity Industry Metering Code Review, undertaken by then Office of Energy (now known as the Public Utilities Office) between 2010 and 2012.

Western Power is required to seek approval from the Authority for any amendments to its Metrology Procedure. Prior to giving its approval, the Authority must undertake a review. The Authority is seeking comments from code participants and interested parties regarding Western Power's Metrology Procedure, including the proposed amendments.

BACKGROUND

On 5 September 2014, Western Power submitted to the Authority an updated Metrology Procedure for Metering Installations on the Western Power Network to align it with the requirements of the Code. Western Power requested that the Authority, pursuant to clause 6.20(2) of the Code, initiate a review of its updated Metrology Procedure.

Clause 6.20 of the Code sets out the procedure to be followed by the Authority in reviewing and amending a network operator's document under the Code. Clause 6.20 (3) of the Code sets out how the Authority must proceed with its review. In summary:

- within 50 business days after initiating its review, the Authority must publish its draft findings, notify the network operator and allow a period of at least 20 business days after publication of its draft findings for persons to make submissions in relation to these draft findings;
- within 10 business days after the end of the period for submissions from persons on the draft findings, the Authority must publish its final findings which must detail any amendments to the document submitted by a network operator together with any submissions received.

The Authority is initiating its review of Western Power's updated Metrology Procedure by seeking public submissions from code participants and interested parties. Any submissions received will then be



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provided to Western Power for its consideration which should include discussion as needed with relevant code participants and interested parties. Western Power will then be requested to submit a revised updated Metrology Procedure to the Authority containing any changes made after consideration of the submissions. In addition, a report would be requested from Western Power detailing the changes that had been made to the updated Metrology Procedure and indicating where changes proposed in submissions had not been agreed to by Western Power and the reasons for not adopting these changes.

It is the Authority's intention that this review be completed within a reasonable timeframe while allowing sufficient time for submissions and any necessary discussions between Western Power and code participants.

To assist in the preparation of submissions, the Authority has published a number of documents provided by Western Power covering its updated Metrology Procedure. These are the:

- [transmittal letter](#);
- [updated Metrology Procedure](#); and
- [comparison](#) document showing the changes from the existing Metrology Procedure.

Code participants and interested parties are invited to make submissions on Western Power's updated Metrology Procedure by **4:00 pm (WST) Monday, 1 December 2014**.

Submissions should be marked for the attention of Elizabeth Walters, Assistant Director, Electricity and Markets.

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Confidentiality

In general, all submissions from code participants and interested parties will be treated as being in the public domain and placed on the Authority's website. Where a code participant or an interested party wishes to make a submission in confidence, it should clearly indicate the parts of the submission for which confidentiality is claimed, and specify in reasonable detail the basis for the claim.

The publication of a submission on the Authority's website shall not be taken as indicating that the Authority has knowledge either actual or constructive of the contents of a particular submission and, in particular, whether the submission in whole or part contains information of a confidential nature and no duty of confidence will arise for the Authority.



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