



Notice

17 February 2015

Consultation Electricity Licences Review 2015 - Discussion Paper

The Economic Regulation Authority (the Authority) is seeking public comment on its <u>Electricity Licences</u> <u>Review 2015 Discussion Paper</u>. Each of the proposed template licences is included as an attachment to the Discussion Paper:

- Generation licence template;
- Transmission licence template;
- Distribution licence template;
- Retail licence template; and
- Integrated regional licence template.

The Authority administers licensing of Western Australian electricity supply services in accordance with the *Electricity Industry Act 2004 (WA)*. Electricity licence categories include generation, transmission, distribution, retail and integrated regional licences.

The Authority periodically reviews its licences to ensure that it maintains a best practice licensing regime. The Authority previously conducted reviews of electricity licences in 2005 and 2010.

The objectives of the review are to:

- ensure electricity licences reflect the current regulatory environment;
- improve consistency across the electricity licence categories and between electricity, gas and water licences;
- reduce the regulatory burden on business, particularly by removing spent, redundant or inappropriate licence conditions to reduce compliance costs; and
- utilise best practice principles of utility licensing.

Interested parties are invited to make submissions in print and electronic form on the Electricity Licences Review 2015 – Discussion Paper by **4:00 pm (WST) on 17 March 2015**.

Submissions should be marked to the attention of Alex Kroon, A/Assistant Director Licensing:

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