

Notice

11 February 2016

Consultation on Water Licence Review 2016

DISCUSSION PAPER AND DRAFT WATER SERVICES LICENCE TEMPLATE

The Economic Regulation Authority (**ERA**) is seeking public comment on its <u>Water Licence</u> Review 2016 - Discussion Paper.

The ERA administers licensing of Western Australian water services in accordance with the *Water Services Act 2012 (WA)*. Licensed water services include water supply services (potable and non-potable), sewerage, irrigation and drainage services.

The ERA periodically reviews its licences to ensure that it maintains a best practice licensing regime. The ERA previously conducted reviews of water licences in 2008 and 2013.

The objectives of the review are to:

- ensure water licences reflect the current regulatory environment;
- 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 on the Water Licence Review 2016 - Discussion Paper by 4:00pm on **3 March 2016**.

Submissions should be marked to the attention of the Assistant Director Licensing:

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CONFIDENTIALITY

In general, all submissions from interested parties will be treated as being in the public domain and placed on the ERA's website. Where 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. Any claim of confidentiality will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the *Economic Regulation Authority Act 2003*.

The publication of a submission on the ERA's website shall not be taken as indicating that the ERA 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 ERA.

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