

# Decision on licence amendment (WL38)

Gascoyne Water Co-operative Limited

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## Decision

1. In accordance with section 18 of the *Water Services Act 2012 (Act)*, the Economic Regulation Authority (**ERA**) has approved an amendment to Gascoyne Water Cooperative Limited's (**GWC**) water services licence 38 (**WL38**) to include the revised operating area plan OWR-OA-177(D).
2. Accordingly, section 1.5.1 of WL38 has been amended to reflect the new plan number.
3. As required under section 47(2)(a) of the Act, the ERA will publish a notice of its approval of the licence amendment in the Government Gazette as soon as is practicable.

## Reasons

4. On 30 June 2016, GWC applied for an amendment to WL38. The proposed amendment was made to revise GWC's operating area boundary to include connections installed and supplying water outside of the operating area shown in plan OWR-OA-177(C).
5. In its application, GWC stated that its reason for applying for the licence amendment was to ensure compliance with WL38; in particular, that the operating area boundary included all points of supply.
6. The licence amendment application was made in accordance with section 18 of the Act.
7. Section 18 of the Act states that the ERA may amend a licence in accordance with an application from a licensee, if the ERA is satisfied that it would not be contrary to the public interest to do so.
8. In its assessment of the application, the ERA considered the public interest as required by section 18 of the Act. This includes the matters set out in section 46 of the Act. The ERA is satisfied that approving the amendment to WL38 would not be contrary to the public interest.