



Notice

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Consultation on electricity licence amendment application by BHP Billiton Nickel West Pty Ltd

ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION LICENCE 2 AND ELECTRICITY RETAIL LICENCE 2

The Economic Regulation Authority (**ERA**) is seeking public comment on a licence amendment application by BHP Billiton Nickel West Pty Ltd (**Nickel West**) to amend the operating area for Electricity Distribution Licence No. 2 (**EDL2**) and Electricity Retail Licence No. 2 (**ERL 2**).

The licence application is available on our [website](#).

Nickel West is seeking to amend:

- EDL2 by removing the Northern Goldfields operating area to only include the southern operating area labelled ERA-EL-071(B).
- ERL2 by replacing the current northern operating area ERA-EL-070(C) with the proposed map included in the above licence application.

The key change is that Leinster would be removed from both EDL2 and ERL2 for the reasons outlined in the application. In summary, Nickel West asserts that:

- An electricity distribution licence is not required for Leinster as the distribution network in Leinster falls under the *Electricity Industry Exemption Order 2005*.
- An electricity retail licence is not required as Nickel West is not charging for the electricity supplied to customers, and therefore does not sell electricity to customers.

The current versions of EDL2 and ERL2 can also be found on our [website](#).

The ERA invites interested parties to make public submissions on the licence application by **4:00pm (WST) on Tuesday, 7 February 2017**. Please send submissions to the ERA marked for the attention of the Assistant Director Licensing:

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