



Notice

28 January 2021

Southern Cross Energy Partnership

Licence renewal application

TEC Desert Pty Ltd and TEC Desert No. 2 Pty Ltd (trading as Southern Cross Energy Partnership) has applied to the Economic Regulation Authority to renew its [electricity retail licence ERL7](#), which expires on 29 June 2021.

Southern Cross Energy (SCE) is a vertically integrated electricity business that supplies electricity to BHP's Nickel West operations in Kambalda, Kalgoorlie, Leinster and Mt Keith.

The ERA invites public comment on SCE's request to renew ERL7.

To renew a licence, the ERA must be satisfied that the licensee:

- has, and is likely to retain,
- or
- will acquire within a reasonable time after the renewal, and is then likely to retain,

the financial and technical resources to undertake the activities authorised by the licence.

Section 9 of the *Electricity Industry Act 2004* requires that the ERA must not renew a licence unless it is satisfied that it would not be contrary to the public interest to do so. Section 8(5) of the Act, without limitation, specifies the matters that the ERA must consider.

The ERA must also have regard to the public interest matters set out in section 26 of the *Economic Regulation Authority Act 2003*, which include the long-term interests of consumers.

Invitation for submissions

The ERA invites interested parties to make submissions on SCE's request to renew ERL7.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Thursday, 18 February 2021.

Submissions should be lodged online using the form on our website www.erawa.com.au/consultation.

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