



Notice

29 January 2021

Proposal for Access – Arc Infrastructure

Request for ERA decision pursuant to section 10 of the Railways (Access) Code 2000

Australian Western Railroad Pty Ltd (AWR) has lodged proposals to access part of Arc Infrastructure's freight rail network in the south west of the State.

Under the Railways (Access) Code 2000, the Economic Regulation Authority's approval is required to commence negotiations if the railway owner considers that the provision of access to railway infrastructure may preclude other entities from access to that infrastructure.

The routes subject to AWR's proposals are:

- the route between Kalgoorlie and Avon (Route 1)
- the route between Leonora and Kalgoorlie (Route 6)
- the route between Cockburn North and Robb Jetty (Route 7)
- the route between Midland and Avon (Route 44)
- the route between Midland and Kwinana (Route 45)
- the route between Cockburn North and Cockburn South (Route 47).

Arc has advised the ERA that it considers that providing access to AWR to the following route sections may preclude other entities from access:

- Avon Yard to West Merredin (part of Route 1)
- West Merredin to Koolyanobbing East (part of Route 1)
- Koolyanobbing East to Kalgoorlie (part of Route 1)
- Cockburn South to Kwinana (part of Route 45).

The ERA is seeking written submissions from interested parties on AWR's proposals. Copies of the relevant AWR proposal may be obtained from the ERA.

To make its decision, the ERA must have regard to:

- any submission relevant to the decision that is made in accordance with this notice
- the public interest
- any other matter that the ERA considers relevant.

CONFIDENTIALITY

In general, all submissions will be treated as public and placed on the ERA 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. Any claim of confidentiality will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the Railways (Access) Code 2000, and the ERA's obligations of procedural fairness.

Invitation for submissions

The ERA invites interested parties to make submissions on AWR's proposals.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Monday, 8 March 2021.

Submissions should be lodged online using the form on our website www.erawa.com.au/consultation, or by post to PO Box 8469, PERTH BC WA 6849.

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