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Alinta Sales Pty Ltd

Licence renewal application

Alinta Sales Pty Ltd has applied to the Economic Regulation Authority to renew its electricity retail licence <u>ERL6</u>, which expires on 18 May 2021. As part of the application, Alinta has submitted an amended standard form contract for the ERA's approval.

Alinta's parent company, Alinta Energy, is Western Australia's largest gas retailer and also sells electricity. Alinta Sales supplies electricity to small use business customers through the South West Interconnected System.¹ Alinta does not supply electricity to residential customers.

The ERA invites public comment on Alinta's request to renew ERL6.

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 the renewal application.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Thursday, 6 May 2021.

¹ A small use customer is a customer that consumes less than 160 megawatts of electricity per year.

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

Further information

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