



# Notice

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## Guideline on the demand management innovation allowance mechanism for Western Power

### Consultation paper

The Economic Regulation Authority is seeking views on a guideline for the demand management innovation allowance mechanism required under the *Electricity Networks Access Code 2004*.

In 2020, the Access Code was amended to support the delivery of the State Government's Energy Transformation Strategy. The changes include a requirement that an access arrangement must contain a demand management innovation allowance mechanism.

The objective of the demand management innovation allowance mechanism is to provide funding for research and development in demand management projects that have the potential to reduce long term network costs.

The ERA must publish a guideline on the demand management innovation allowance mechanism, including the criteria for projects that will be eligible for the allowance. The guideline must also set out the information that Western Power is required to submit in a compliance report to the ERA for publication.

The ERA has published a [consultation paper](#) setting out the proposed guideline.

### Invitation for submissions

The ERA invites interested parties to make submissions on the consultation paper.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Friday, 13 August 2021.

Submissions should be lodged online using the form on our website [www.erawa.com.au/consultation](http://www.erawa.com.au/consultation).

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