



Notice

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Aqwest

Licence renewal application

Bunbury Water Corporation (trading as Aqwest) has applied to the Economic Regulation Authority to renew its <u>water services licence WL2</u>, which expires on 16 January 2022.

Aqwest holds a water services licence to provide potable water to the Greater Bunbury Region. As at 30 June 2020, Aqwest supplied water services to 17,539 connected residential and business premises.

The ERA may renew a licence if it is satisfied that:

- The applicant has, and is likely to retain, for each class of water service to be authorised by the licence, the financial and technical ability to provide the service in the operating area or areas to be specified for the service.
- It would not be contrary to the public interest to do so.

Section 46 of the *Water Services Act 2012* sets out the matters the ERA must take into account (to the extent to which the ERA considers that they are relevant) when determining whether or not something would be contrary to the public interest.

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 interest of consumers.

Invitation for submissions

The ERA invites interested parties to make submissions on Agwest's request to renew WL2.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Tuesday, 21 September 2021.

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

Further information

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