



Notice

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Guideline on the demand management innovation allowance mechanism for Western Power

Decision

The Economic Regulation Authority has published its [decision](#) on the 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 could reduce long term network costs.

The ERA must publish a guideline on the 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 its compliance reports to the ERA.

The ERA published a consultation paper on the guideline on 6 July 2021 and has considered submissions received in the decision.

Further information

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