

## **Western Power AA5 Public Forum**

**Conducted online on 25 March 2022**

### **Question**

The proposal and issues paper state additional transmission investment may be needed in response to the WOSP – despite the second WOSP still being underway, it is very foreseeable additional transmission network investment is needed to enable the energy transition, particularly in areas where there are large industrial loads with ambitious electrification plans (and that can't just pack up shop and move to another part of the network). Has WP undertaken sensitivity analysis of what additional transmission network development would do to tariffs/cost flow through to generators and end users?

The question was partially addressed during the forum (see transcript) and Western Power advised it would provide a further written response.

### **Western Power Response**

Western Power is currently working with EPWA & AEMO to develop the scope & scenarios for WOSP23, which will be widely consulted upon and published in the last quarter of calendar year 2023.

The WOSP determines the least cost outcomes for the entire industry.

Western Power will review its investment priorities in conjunction with its network planning processes when the outcomes of WOSP23 are finalised.