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Shire of Coolgardie

Licence renewal application – Invitation for submissions

The Shire of Coolgardie has applied to the Economic Regulation Authority to renew its water services licence WL13, which expired on 29 April 2021.¹

The Shire provides sewerage and non-potable water supply services to customers in Coolgardie, located approximately 550 kilometres east of Perth. As at 30 June 2021, there were 800 residential properties, five commercial properties and a mining camp connected to the Shire's sewerage system.

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 2021* 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 interests of consumers.

Invitation for submissions

The ERA invites interested parties to make submissions on the licence renewal application.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Friday, 1 July 2022.

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

¹ While the licence expired on 29 April 2021, under section 13(4) of the *Water Services Act 2012* the licence continues until the ERA makes a decision on the licence renewal application.

Further information

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