



## **Notice**

17 March 2023

## Regional Power Corporation (trading as Horizon Power)

Consultation on proposed amendment to Electricity Integrated Regional Licence EIRL2

The Economic Regulation Authority is seeking public comment on Horizon Power's application for an amendment to its integrated regional licence to confirm that the licence does not cover or have effect in Aboriginal communities that are part of the Remote Essential Services Program (RESP) while those communities are subject to an exemption order.

The RESP is a State Government initiative to transfer responsibility for the provision of electricity services to well over 100 remote Aboriginal communities to Horizon Power from 1 April 2023. The communities have their electricity services currently managed by the Department of Communities.

A summary of the <u>proposed licence amendment</u> is available on the ERA website.

The approval of the licence is subject to the ERA being satisfied that it would not be contrary to the public interest to do so and that the applicant has, and is likely to retain, or will acquire within a reasonable time after the amendment is granted, and is then likely to retain, the financial and technical resources to undertake the activities authorised by the licence amendment.

The ERA must also have regard to the 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 amendment.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Monday, 27 March 2023.

Submissions should be lodged online using the form on our website <a href="https://www.erawa.com.au/consultation">www.erawa.com.au/consultation</a>.

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