

NOTICE

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS ON STANDARD FORM CONTRACTS FOR ALINTA SALES PTY LTD, PERTH ENERGY PTY LTD AND ROTTNEST ISLAND AUTHORITY

The Economic Regulation Authority invites submissions from interested parties on proposed standard form contracts submitted by Alinta Sales Pty Ltd, Perth Energy Pty Ltd and Rottneest Island Authority.

These contracts are available from the Authority's website:

<http://www.era.wa.gov.au/electricity/electricityLicensingSubmissions.cfm>

Background

Alinta Sales, Perth Energy and Rottneest Island Authority have recently submitted applications for retail licences as required by the *Electricity Industry Act 2004*.

These applications are for the sale of electricity to small use customers, defined in Part 3 of the Act, as those who consume not more than 160 megawatt hours of electricity per annum.

As required under section 49 of the Act Alinta Sales, Perth Energy and Rottneest Island Authority submitted with the retail licence applications drafts of the standard form contracts under which each company proposes to supply electricity.

Under section 50 of the Act, the Authority must not grant a retail licence unless the Authority has approved the associated standard form contract.

Section 51 of the Act further states that the Authority must not approve a standard form contract if it considers that the contract will not meet the requirements of the regulations in respect of such contracts or will be inconsistent with the Act or any other written law or any term, condition or provision of the licence concerned.

Public Submissions

In undertaking the review of the standard form contracts, the Authority invites interested parties to provide submissions on the proposed standard form contracts from Alinta Sales, Perth Energy and Rottneest Island Authority.

Submissions to the Authority in both hard and electronic form must be received by **4pm WST, Friday 10 March 2006**. Submissions should be addressed to:

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Submissions made to the Authority will be treated as in the public domain and placed on the Authority's website unless confidentiality is claimed. The receipt and publication of a submission lodged by a person, with the Authority, and placed on the website shall not be taken as indicating that the Authority has knowledge either actual or constructive of the contents of a particular submission and, in particular, whether the submission in whole or in part contains information of a confidential nature and no duty of confidence will arise for the Authority in these circumstances.

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