

## NOTICE

### Western Power 330kV Mid-West Augmentation

The Economic Regulation Authority will be inviting submissions on Western Power's proposed 330kV Mid-West augmentation, which the company has submitted for a determination on whether it meets the Regulatory Test required under the *Electricity Networks Access Code 2004 (Access Code)*.

The Authority will soon publish a position paper to help interested parties prepare submissions. A further notice will be published at this time, specifying the closing date for submissions.

Western Power submitted its augmentation proposal to the Authority on 4 October 2007 and this has today been published on the Authority's [web site](#).

Under the Access Code, proposed "major augmentations" must satisfy a regulatory test (an assessment of whether the proposed work maximises the net benefit to those who generate, transport and consume electricity in the South West Interconnected Network after all alternative options are considered) before Western Power can commit to and proceed with the augmentation.

An augmentation for a covered network is an increase in its capability to provide covered services, including through the development, construction, acquisition or commissioning of new network assets.

The Access Code requires the Authority to publish a determination within 45 business days, or by 7 December 2007.

After the Authority has published its position paper, interested parties will be invited to make submissions during a 20 business day consultation period. Submissions received from interested parties will then be considered and the Authority will finalise the Regulatory Test determination.

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