

## NOTICE

### Western Power 330kV Mid-West Augmentation

#### REGULATORY TEST DETERMINATION

The Economic Regulation Authority has determined that Western Power's proposal for a major augmentation to increase power supply capacity to the Mid-West region of Western Australia satisfies the regulatory test.

Western Power has proposed a 330kV transmission line and associated works in the Mid-West region of Western Australia.

The [determination](#) and related documents, including public submissions made to the Authority on the proposal, are available from its [web site](#).

In making its determination, the Authority considered Western Power's proposal, the independent technical report prepared by Parsons Brinckerhoff Associates and all submissions received during the Authority's 20 business day consultation period (which ran from 25 October to 21 November 2007).

#### BACKGROUND

Under the *Electricity Networks Access Code 2004*, 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 options are considered) before the proponent can proceed.

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.

Western Power submitted its Mid-West augmentation proposal to the Authority on 4 October 2007 for a regulatory test assessment.

The Authority released an issues paper on 24 October 2007 to help interested parties prepare submissions on the proposal.

On 1 November 2007, the Authority released an independent technical report prepared by Parsons Brinckerhoff Associates to help determine whether the proposal satisfied the regulatory test.

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