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# **NOTICE**

## SHORT RUN MARGINAL COST DISCUSSION PAPER

The Economic Regulation Authority today released a discussion paper on Short Run Marginal Cost (SRMC) as it relates to clause 6.6.3 of the Wholesale Electricity Market Rules. This paper has been issued in the interests of advancing the debate in economic regulation and seeks to assist market participants in the interpretation of SRMC for the purposes of the market rules.

The paper sets out to identify what costs may be included in a firm's short run portfolio supply curve calculation.

The Wholesale Electricity Market Rules require a Market Generator to offer prices in its Portfolio Supply Curve that reflect its reasonable expectation of the short run marginal costs of generating the relevant electricity.

Public submissions are invited on the matters raised in the discussion paper.

A copy of the <u>discussion paper</u> and associated <u>technical paper</u> can be obtained from the Authority's web site.

Any submissions should be in electronic and hard copy form and must be received by 29 February 2008.

Written submissions should be mailed to:

Mr Robert Pullella Executive Director Economic Regulation Authority PO Box 8469 Perth Business Centre WA 6849

Electronic submissions should be emailed to: SRMC@era.wa.gov.au

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In general, all submissions from interested parties will be treated as in the public domain and placed on the Authority's web site.

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