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NOTICE

Synergy as the Default Electricity Supplier of Last Resort for the area covered by the South West Interconnected **System**

On the 15 July 2009, in accordance with section 68(1) of the Electricity Industry Act 2004 (ACT), the Economic Regulation Authority (Authority) designated the South West Interconnected System (SWIS) as an area for which there is to be an electricity last resort supply plan.

In accordance with section 71(4) of the Act, the Authority gave notice that the Electricity Retail Corporation (Synergy) is the default electricity Supplier of Last Resort (SoLR) for the SWIS.

In accordance with section 72 of the Act, on 12 August 2009, the Authority served written notice on Synergy to prepare a last resort supply plan for the SWIS within three months and submit it to the Authority for approval.

Section 72 of the Act states that the Authority may extend the time allowed for a supplier of last resort to submit the LRSP.

The Authority has approved an extension for Synergy to submit their LRSP until such time as the supporting regulatory provisions have been developed so as to inform the content and procedures for last resort supply plans.

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