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NOTICE

Invitation for Public Submissions on Issues Paper

Inquiry into the *Chicken Meat Industry Act 1977*

The Economic Regulation Authority has published an issues paper on its inquiry into the *Chicken Meat Industry Act 1977* and is calling for public comment.

The issues paper, which is available from the Authority's [web site](#), is to help interested parties understand the matters being reviewed in the inquiry and to facilitate public comment and debate.

The inquiry, requested by the Treasurer, the Hon Troy Buswell on 1 February 2010, is to examine the effectiveness of the *Chicken Meat Industry Act 1977*. The Authority will consider how the Act is currently operating and the issues affecting the chicken meat industry in Western Australia. The Authority will develop findings on whether there is a need for legislation to improve stability in the chicken meat industry, and if so in what form, or if the Act should be repealed.

After considering submissions on the issues paper, the Authority expects to release a draft report for further public consultation. The final report for the inquiry is due to be delivered to the Government by 1 November 2010.

Interested parties are invited to make submissions in printed and electronic form on the issues paper by **4:00 pm (WST) on Friday 9 April 2010**.

Submissions should be addressed to:

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Confidentiality

In general, all submissions from interested parties will be treated as being in the public domain and placed on the Authority's web site. Where an interested party wishes to make a submission in confidence, it should clearly indicate the parts of the submission for which confidentiality is claimed, and specify in reasonable detail the basis for the claim.

Any claim of confidentiality will be considered in accordance with the provisions of section 55 of the *Economic Regulation Authority Act 2003*.

The publication of a submission on the Authority's web site 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 part contains information of a confidential nature and no duty of confidence will arise for the Authority.

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