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NOTICE

Invitation for Public Submissions

APPLICATION FOR ELECTRICITY RETAIL LICENCE

The Economic Regulation Authority is seeking public comment on an application submitted by ERM Power Retail Pty Ltd for an electricity retail licence to supply large use customers (>160MWh per annum) in the South West Interconnected System (SWIS).

Under the *Electricity Industry Act 2004 (Act)* the Authority is responsible for licensing electricity supply services in Western Australia and must take all reasonable steps to reach a decision within 90 days of receiving the application.

Approval of the application is subject to the Authority being satisfied that it would not be contrary to the public interest to issue the licence. The Authority is required to take into consideration the matters listed in Section 8(5) of the Act when making this assessment.

The Authority must also be satisfied that the applicant has the financial and technical capacity to undertake the proposed activities.

The Authority has *Public Consultation Guidelines* which outline the public consultation process. A copy of the guidelines is available on the Authority's [website](#).

A summary of ERM Power Retail Pty Ltd's application can be obtained from the Authority's [website](#).

Interested parties are invited to make submissions in print and electronic form on the company's application by **4:00 pm (WST) on Wednesday, 4 August 2010**.

Submissions should be marked to the attention of Mr Phil D'Costa, Assistant Director Licensing.

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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 website. 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 website 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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