



NOTICE

Western Power invites further submissions on its proposed Mid-West Energy Project (Southern Section)

SECOND ROUND CONSULTATION

Western Power has advised the Authority of its intention to invite further submissions on a <u>revised options paper</u> for the proposed Mid-West Energy Project (Southern Section), which includes details on the transmission assets to be constructed by Karara Mining Ltd. This second round of consultation closes on 29 September 2010.

Karara Mining Ltd is proposing to build an electricity transmission line from Eneabba to the Karara Iron Ore project which will eventually be interconnected with Western Power's proposed Mid-West Energy Project (Southern Section). Western Power conducted an initial consultation on the Mid-West Energy Project (Southern Section) which closed on 4 August 2010.

The Authority published a <u>notice</u> on 13 July 2010 advising of Western Power's invitation for public submissions on its proposal to construct a new double circuit transmission line from Neerabup to Eneabba and a new terminal at Three Springs on 13 July 2010. This consultation period has now closed and public submissions that were received are published on Western Power's website.

Background

Under the *Electricity Networks Access Code 2004* (Access Code) Western Power is required to consult with the public and interested parties about major augmentations to its covered network (the Western Power Network) and advise the Authority of its intention to do so. Pursuant to Appendix 7 of the Access Code, the Authority must publish Western Power's invitation for submissions on the Authority's website.

The proposed major augmentation will involve the construction of a double circuit 330 kV transmission line from the Perth metropolitan area to Eneabba in the Mid-West and the interconnection of the existing 132 kV Three Springs substation with a new 330 kV Three Springs terminal. Karara Mining Ltd proposes to construct a 330 kV transmission line from Eneabba to Karara via a substation at Three Springs and Koolanooka.

Further details about the proposed major augmentation are available on Western Power's website: <u>www.westernpower.com.au</u>

The public is invited to make submissions to Western Power on the proposed augmentation. Please direct all enquiries regarding the proposal to Western Power.

Following the consultation process, Western Power must consider the views and alternative options that may be expressed in the submissions it receives. Subsequent to this it is expected that Western Power will submit a major augmentation proposal to the Authority, who must then determine whether the regulatory test prescribed in Chapter 9 of the Access Code has been satisfied.

Submissions to Western Power

Comments and submissions should be received by Western Power no later than 5:00 pm on Wednesday, 29 September 2010.

Submissions can be lodged via mail or email, or delivered in person to Western Power.

Post submissions to:

Mid West Energy Project Customer Service Centre Western Power GPO Box L921 PERTH WA 6842

Email submissions to:

midwest.submission@westernpower.com.au

Deliver submissions to:

Mid West Energy Project Customer Service Centre Reception, 363 Wellington Street Perth WA 6000

General Enquiries

For further information and general enquires on Western Power's proposal please contact Western Power directly.

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