



INFORMATION

Closure of the Notice of Contravention

REGIONAL POWER CORPORATION (T/A HORIZON POWER)

The Economic Regulation Authority has approved the closure of the notice of contravention under section 32(1) of the *Electricity Industry Act 2004* (s.32 notice) that was served on Horizon Power on 19 January 2009.

The notice required Horizon Power to rectify the licence contraventions identified in the utility's 2008 performance audit (audit) report and address the issues identified in the asset management system review (review) report for the electricity integrated regional licence by 30 September 2009.

A subsequent audit and review of Horizon Power's licence covering the period ending 30 September 2009 found that three contraventions had not been rectified. This resulted in the Authority deciding that the s.32 notice would remain in force until the reports on the audit and review, for the period ending 31 March 2011, were prepared.

On 20 December 2010, Horizon Power wrote to the Authority requesting the s.32 notice be lifted. In support of their request, Horizon Power provided two reports prepared by independent auditors confirming that the three remaining contraventions in the s.32 notice had been rectified.

After considering the independent audit reports, the Authority has decided that Horizon Power has now rectified all of the contraventions in the s.32 notice.

A copy of the audit reports is available on the Authority's website.

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