



Notice

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Wholesale Electricity Market Report to the Minister for Energy: Discussion Paper

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

The Economic Regulation Authority (ERA) is currently undertaking its annual review of the effectiveness of the Wholesale Electricity Market (WEM) in meeting market objectives.

The ERA is seeking public comment from interested parties on any issues affecting the effectiveness of the WEM to inform preparation of the 2016/17 WEM Report to the Minister.

A [discussion paper](#) has been prepared to help interested parties make their submissions.

Typically, the WEM report provides the commentary required under the Market Rules and, where appropriate, recommendations to improve the effective operation of the WEM.

The 2016/17 report will consider changes in the market over the past year. In Western Australia, a new State Government was elected, a new Minister for Energy appointed. Nationally, there was an independent review of the National Electricity Market to ensure its future security and reliability. All of these events have combined to create a sense of uncertainty in the WA energy sector.

To help in developing the future direction of the WEM, the ERA is taking the opportunity to consider imminent issues and future challenges facing the WEM.

The ERA needs to understand interested parties' experiences of and concerns about the challenges for the WEM, and encourages submissions and feedback.

Interested parties are invited to make submissions on the Discussion Paper **by 4.00 pm (WST) on Wednesday 1 September 2017**. Submissions should be marked to the attention of the Assistant Director Market Regulations.

Submissions should be made via the portal on the [ERA website](#).

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