



Notice

20 October 2020

BHP Billiton Nickel West Pty Ltd

Licence renewal application

BHP Billiton Nickel West Pty Ltd has applied to the Economic Regulation Authority to renew its [electricity retail licence ERL2](#), which expires on 23 March 2021.

ERL2 authorises BHP Billiton Nickel West to supply electricity to large use customers in the Northern and Southern Goldfields.¹

The ERA invites public comment on BHP Billiton Nickel West's request to renew ERL2.

To renew a licence, the ERA must be satisfied that the licensee:

- has, and is likely to retain,
or
- will acquire within a reasonable time after the renewal, and is then likely to retain,
the financial and technical resources to undertake the activities authorised by the licence.

Section 9 of the *Electricity Industry Act 2004* requires that the ERA must not renew a licence unless it is satisfied that it would not be contrary to the public interest to do so. Section 8(5) of the Act, without limitation, specifies the matters that the ERA must consider.

The ERA must also have regard to the public interest matters set out in section 26 of the *Economic Regulation Authority Act 2003*, which include the long-term interests of consumers.

Invitation for submissions

The ERA invites interested parties to make submissions on BHP Billiton Nickel West's request to renew ERL2.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Tuesday, 10 November 2020.

Submissions should be lodged online using the form on our website www.erawa.com.au/consultation.

¹ A large use customer is a customer who consumes more than 160 megawatt hours of electricity per year.

Further information

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