



Notice

21 December 2020

Shire of Gnowangerup

Licence renewal application

The Shire of Gnowangerup has applied to the Economic Regulation Authority to renew its [water services licence WL11](#), which expires on 28 April 2021.

WL11 authorises the Shire to provide non-potable water and sewerage services to customers centred on the township of Ongerup, approximately 400km southeast of Perth. As at 30 June 2020, the Shire provided sewerage services to 91 connected properties.¹

The ERA invites public comment on the Shire's request to renew WL11.

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 13(2)(b) of the *Water Services Act 2012* states that the ERA may renew a licence if it is satisfied that it would not be contrary to the public interest to do so. Section 46 of the *Water Act* sets out the matters the ERA must take into account (to the extent to which the ERA considers that they are relevant) when making a decision to renew a licence.

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 the Shire's request to renew WL11.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Wednesday, 27 January 2021.

¹ Economic Regulation Authority, *Consolidated data for Water Supply, Sewerage and Irrigation Services - 2015 to 2020*

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

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