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NOTICE

Assessment of the Proposed Metrology Procedure Under the Electricity Industry Metering Code 2005

The Economic Regulation Authority advises that on 23 June 2006 Western Power and Horizon Power submitted proposed metrology procedure documents to the Authority for approval, under the requirements of Part 6 of the *Electricity Industry Metering Code 2005* (Metering Code). Both documents are identical in content as they were prepared by Western Power which has a Service Level Agreement to act for Horizon Power as its metering data agent.

The metrology procedure sets out the obligations and duties with regards to meters, metering installations and the provision of energy data imposed by the Metering Code upon network operators including the connection of metering installations to the telecommunications network. The metrology procedure provides guidance on the correct provision, installation and maintenance of metering installations in line with the principles set out in the Metering Code and provides guidance to interested third parties, such as metering manufacturers, on the requirements for metering within the Western Australian electricity system.

The Authority is now assessing Western Power's and Horizon Power's proposed metrology procedure in accordance with the requirements of the Metering Code. The Authority is also assessing reports provided by Western Power and Horizon Power on this consultation with Metering Code participants that occurred during the development of the proposed metrology procedure as required by clause 6.11 of the Metering Code.

The proposed metrology procedures and accompanying reports are available on the Authority's website at <u>http://www.era.wa.gov.au/electricity/meteringCode.cfm</u>.

Clause 6.13 of the Metering Code requires that the Authority make a decision within 30 business days of lodgement on whether to approve the proposed metrology procedure submitted by Western Power and Horizon Power. The Authority anticipates a decision will be issued by 4 August 2006.

As the Authority is time constrained in considering these documents, anyone wishing to provide comments is invited to do so by **4:00pm WST Friday 21 July 2006**.

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