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NOTICE

Assessment of the Proposed Mandatory Link Criteria Under the Electricity Industry Metering Code 2005

The Economic Regulation Authority advises that on 23 June 2006 Western Power and Horizon Power submitted proposed mandatory link criteria 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 mandatory link criteria deals with the communication links required by metering installations so as to enable meters to be read from a remote location via a telecommunications network.

The proposed mandatory link criteria documents 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 mandatory link criteria 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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