

NOTICE

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

WESTERN POWER CORPORATION RETAIL AND INTEGRATED REGIONAL STANDARD FORM CONTRACTS

The Economic Regulation Authority invites submissions from interested parties on Western Power Corporation's proposed standard form contracts under which it will supply electricity to some customers.

On 28 December 2005, Western Power submitted five applications for licences, as required by the *Electricity Industry Act 2004*, to generate, distribute, transmit and retail electricity in the South West Interconnected System (SWIS), as well as for an integrated regional licence to supply electricity outside the SWIS.

The retail and integrated regional licence applications include the sale of electricity to small use customers, defined in Part 3 of the Act, as those who consume not more than 160 megawatt hours of electricity per annum.

As required under section 49 of the Act, Western Power also submitted with the applications for the retail licence and integrated regional licence, a draft of the standard form contracts under which it will supply electricity to customers under the licences.

These contracts are available from the Authority's website:
<http://www.era.wa.gov.au/electricity/electricityLicensingSubmissions.cfm>

Under section 50 of the Act, the Authority must not grant a retail licence or an integrated regional licence unless the Authority has approved the associated standard form contract.

Section 51 of the Act states that the Authority can, at its discretion, either approve or refuse to approve a standard form contract. The Authority must not give an approval if it considers that the standard form contract will not meet the requirements of the regulations in respect of such contracts or will be inconsistent with the Act or any other written law or any term, condition or provision of the licence concerned.

Public Submissions

In undertaking the review of the standard form contracts, the Authority invites interested parties to provide submissions on the proposed retail and integrated regional standard form contracts for Western Power.

Given the restricted time schedule in undertaking the review, submissions to the Authority in both hard and electronic form must be received by **4pm WST, Thursday 16 February 2006**.

Submissions made to the Authority will be treated as in the public domain and placed on the Authority's website unless confidentiality is claimed. The receipt and publication of a submission lodged by a person, with the Authority, and placed on this website shall not be taken as indicating that the Authority has knowledge either actual or constructive of the

contents of a particular submission and, in particular, whether the submission in whole or in part contains information of a confidential nature and no duty of confidence will arise for the Authority in these circumstances.

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