

NOTICE

Electricity Compliance Reporting Manual for Western Australian Electricity Licensees

The Economic Regulation Authority, which is responsible for administering licensing under the *Electricity Industry Act 2004*, has prepared an electricity compliance reporting manual for electricity licensees.

One of its purposes is to help licensees meet their obligations, which are contained in a variety of legislative and regulatory instruments. The manual provides:

- a consolidated list of licence terms and conditions, including a reference to the source document from where they are derived;
- details of the information that licensee's must report to the Authority; and
- the basis on which the Authority monitors and reports licence compliance to the Minister for Energy.

The licence reporting manual includes details of the licensees':

- compliance reporting requirements, including the timing and format of reporting; and
- licence conditions and obligations.

The reporting manual is available on the Authority's [web site](#). Printed copies are also available directly from the Authority for \$25.00 per set.

A number of public submissions were made on the previous version of the Manual during public consultation in August 2006. As a result of these submissions the manual was amended with the key changes being:

- The introduction of additional performance reporting requirements for distribution and retail licensees. These additional requirements are set out in sections 4.1 and 15 of the Manual. They were sourced from the 2002 and 2006 Reports of the Standing Committee on National Regulatory Reporting Requirements (SCONRRR) established under the Utility Regulators Forum.
- Amendments to licence obligation classifications. Submissions from WACOSS and Synergy on the previous version of the Manual provided different views on the proposed classification system of compliance reporting. These submissions are available on the Authority's [web site](#). WACOSS requested higher level classifications of reporting (more onerous reporting) while Synergy requested lower level classifications of reporting (more lenient reporting). These contrasting views highlighted the need for the Authority to set out its criteria for classifying licence obligations. Accordingly, the Authority has now developed criteria and has included these for transparency within the Manual. The adoption of these criteria led to a re-classification of some obligations from Type 2 to Not Reportable. A list of the

changes to the licence obligation classifications are available on the Authority's [web site](#).

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