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NOTICE

Western Power 330kV Mid-West Augmentation New Facilities Investment Test

DRAFT DETERMINATION

The Economic Regulation Authority has released its draft determination on Western Power's application for a new facilities investment test for its proposed 330 kV Mid-West augmentation, which it submitted under the *Electricity Networks Access Code 2004*.

The draft determination is that the forecast new facilities investment of \$300 million for the proposed 330 kV transmission line (and associated works) meets the test.

The Authority has invited submissions on the <u>draft determination</u> which is available, with other <u>related documents</u>, on its web site.

DRAFT DETERMINATION

In making its draft determination the Authority considered the submissions it received on Western Power's application and the Authority's issues paper.

Under the Access Code, the determination depends on the new facilities investment proceeding as proposed. The Authority considers this to include the proposed transmission line being constructed as planned and the cost not being different to that forecast in Western Power's application.

INVITATION TO MAKE A SUBMISSION

Interested parties are invited to make submissions to the Authority by 4pm (WST) Monday, 18 August 2008. The Authority will prepare its final determination after reviewing the submissions it receives.

Submissions should be sent in printed form to:

330kV Mid-West New Facilities Investment Test Electricity Access Economic Regulation Authority PO Box 8469 Perth BC WA 6849

Electronic submissions can be emailed to midwestnfit@era.wa.gov.au

In general, all submissions from interested parties will be treated as being in the public domain and placed on the Authority's web site. Where an interested party wishes to make a submission in confidence, it should clearly indicate the parts of the submission for which confidentiality is claimed, and specify in reasonable detail the basis upon which the claim is made.

The receipt and publication of any submission on the Authority's web site 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 confidential information and no duty of confidence will arise for the Authority in these circumstances.

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