

# CONSULTATION

## **Alinta Sales Pty Ltd**

#### GAS AND ELECTRICITY STANDARD FORM CONTRACTS

The Economic Regulation Authority is seeking public comment on proposed amendments to Alinta Sales Pty Ltd's standard form contracts for the supply of gas and electricity to small use customers.

The Authority requested that Alinta Sales Pty Ltd review its electricity and gas standard form contracts to ensure that they comply with the requirements of the new Australian Consumer Law as well as the current versions of the Code of Conduct for the Supply of Electricity to Small Use Customers, the Gas Marketing Code of Conduct and the Compendium of Gas Customer Licence Obligations (Gas Customer Code). Alinta Sales Pty Ltd has completed its review and has requested that the Authority approve amendments to both of its standard form contracts.

Under the *Energy Coordination Act 1994* and *Electricity Industry Act 2004*, the Authority must not approve amendments to a standard form contract if it considers the amendments do not meet the relevant regulations, any other written law, or any term, condition or provision of the electricity retail licence.

A copy of the proposed amended <u>electricity Standard Form Contract</u> and <u>gas Standard Form Contract</u> are on the Authority's website.

Interested parties are invited to make submissions in print and electronic form by 4:00 pm (WST) on Friday, 5 August 2011.

Submissions should be marked to the attention of Ms Lanie Chopping, Assistant Director Customer Protection.

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#### Confidentiality

In general, all submissions from interested parties will be treated as being in the public domain and placed on the Authority's website. 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 for the claim. Any claim of confidentiality will be considered in accordance with the provisions of Section 55 of the *Economic Regulation Authority Act 2003*.

The publication of a submission on the Authority's 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 part contains information of a confidential nature and no duty of confidence will arise for the Authority.

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