



Notice

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APA DEWAP Pty Ltd

2025 performance audit and asset management system review

The Economic Regulation Authority has published the 2025 performance audit and asset management system review report and the post-audit implementation plan for <u>APA DEWAP Pty Ltd's</u> electricity integrated regional licence EIRL7.

APA DEWAP's licence authorises it to generate, transmit and sell electricity to large use customers in Port Hedland in the Pilbara.¹

The company's Port Hedland power station consists of five gas turbines on two sites. The turbines connect to Horizon Power's network in the North West Interconnected System (NWIS) via APA DEWAP's transmission system. APA DEWAP supplies electricity to two large use customers connected to the NWIS.

During the audit period, APA Group acquired Alinta DEWAP Pty Ltd, which previously held EIRL7, and the name on the licence was changed.

The ERA's decision

The ERA considers that APA DEWAP has achieved a good level of compliance with its licence and has an effective asset management system.

The ERA has decided to increase the audit and review period to 48 months. The next audit and review will cover the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2029, with the report due to be provided by 31 October 2029.

Audit and review findings

Audit

The audit of the 174 licence obligations applicable to APA DEWAP found 14 non-compliances, but no control deficiencies.

¹ 'Large use' customers consume more than 160 MWh of electricity per year.

While there were 14 non-compliances with the *Electricity Industry (Metering) Code 2012*, 10 of the non-compliances were with clauses that Pilbara ISOCo Limited exempted APA DEWAP from under the Pilbara Networks Rules during the audit period.² The remaining four non-compliances are administrative requirements that did not affect the service to APA DEWAP's two mining customers.

The auditor made two recommendations to address the non-compliances. The post-audit implementation plan states that APA DEWAP will address the recommendations by 31 March 2026.

Review

The assessment of the 12 asset management system processes prescribed in the ERA's 2019 Audit and Review Guidelines: Electricity and Gas Licences found no asset management system deficiencies.

Further information

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Pilbara ISOCo Limited is the government appointed independent system operator for the NWIS and has the power to grant operators in the NWIS exemptions from the Metering Code and Customer Transfer Code where there is a reasonable prospect that the cost of compliance may outweigh the benefits, and the network operator has in place alternative arrangements to deal with those matters (these codes are primarily designed for the South-West Interconnected System, which has multiple network users, like generators and retailers).