



Notice

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Framework and approach for Western Power's sixth access arrangement review

Issues paper

The Economic Regulation Authority has published an [issues paper](#) seeking views from stakeholders on the framework and approach for Western Power's sixth access arrangement review.

Western Power is due to lodge its next access arrangement proposal (AA6) with the ERA in February 2027. Prior to this, we are reviewing the framework and approach for our AA6 review. This will determine the services that will be regulated through the access arrangement and the broad nature of regulatory arrangements for the AA6 period.

The AA6 period - 2027 to 2032 - will be a pivotal time for the development of the South West Interconnected System, with significant challenges Western Power will need to meet.

In broad terms, the current regulatory framework is capable of addressing these challenges but we are seeking to adapt the framework where needed. We would like to properly understand customer experiences and issues stakeholders would like to see addressed as part of our review.

The issues paper includes some specific questions, but we are interested in stakeholder views on any aspect of the access arrangement and review process. We are also very open to meeting with any stakeholders to discuss.

Invitation for submissions

The ERA invites interested parties to make submissions on the issues paper.

Submissions close 4:00pm (WST) Friday, 6 February 2026.

Submissions can be lodged online using the form on our [Current Consultation webpage](#).

Further information

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