Amendment of Southern Cross Energy Partnership's Electricity Transmission Licence (ETL4)

20 March 2012

Economic Regulation Authority

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Important Notice

This document has been compiled in good faith by the Economic Regulation Authority (**Authority**). The document contains information supplied to the Authority from third parties. The Authority makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy, completeness, reasonableness or reliability of the information supplied by those third parties.

This document is not a substitute for legal or technical advice. No person or organisation should act on the basis of any matter contained in this document without obtaining appropriate professional advice. The Authority and its staff members make no representation or warranty, expressed or implied, as to the accuracy, completeness, reasonableness or reliability of the information contained in this document, and accept no liability, jointly or severally, for any loss or expense of any nature whatsoever (including consequential loss) arising directly or indirectly from any making available of this document, or the inclusion in it or omission from it of any material, or anything done or not done in reliance on it, including in all cases, without limitation, loss due in whole or part to the negligence of the Authority and its employees.

This notice has effect subject to the Competition & Consumer Act 2010 (Cwlth), the Fair Trading Act 1987 (WA) and the Fair Trading Act 2010 (WA), if applicable, and to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Any summaries of the legislation, regulations or licence provisions in this document do not contain all material terms of those laws or obligations. No attempt has been made in the summaries, definitions or other material to exhaustively identify and describe the rights, obligations and liabilities of any person under those laws or licence provisions.

A full copy of this document is available from the Economic Regulation Authority website at www.erawa.com.au.

For further information, contact:

Economic Regulation Authority Perth, Western Australia Phone: (08) 9213 1900

© Economic Regulation Authority 2011

The copying of this document in whole or part for non-commercial purposes is permitted provided that appropriate acknowledgment is made of the Economic Regulation Authority and the State of Western Australia. Any other copying of this document is not permitted without the express written consent of the Authority.

DECISION

- 1. In accordance with sections 9 and 21 of the Electricity Industry Act 2004 (Act), the Economic Regulation Authority (Authority) has approved an amendment to the TEC Desert Pty Ltd & TEC Desert No.2 Pty Ltd (t/a Southern Cross Energy Partnership) Electricity Transmission Licence 4 (ETL4). The amendment relocates Southern Cross Energy Partnership's (SCE) licensed area to the west of the Kalgoorlie-Kambalda Highway.
- 2. As required by section 23(1) of the Act, the Authority will publish a notice of its approval of the amendments in the *Government Gazette* as soon as is practicable.

REASONS

- In January 2012, SCE submitted an application to the Authority to amend ETL4 by relocating its transmission lines from east of the Kalgoorlie-Kambalda Highway to west of the Kalgoorlie-Kambalda Highway to allow for HBJ Minerals Pty Ltd to extend their mining pit.
- 4. On 8 February 2012, the Authority published a notice seeking public submissions on SCE's licence amendment application. The period for public submissions closed on 29 February 2012 and no submissions were received.
- 5. Pursuant to section 21 of the Act, the Authority may amend a licence if the Applicant has made the application in a form approved by the Authority and paid the prescribed application fee. SCE has satisfied these requirements.
- 6. Section 9(1) of the Act states that the Authority must not exercise a power conferred by Part 2, Division 3 of the Act (general licensing provisions) unless the Authority is satisfied that it would not be contrary to the public interest to do so.
- 7. Section 9(2) of the Act provides that, when determining whether the exercise of the power would not be contrary to the public interest, the Authority must, without limiting the other matters that may be taken into account, take into account the matters referred to in section 8(5) of the Act.
- 8. Following public consultation, the Authority has not found any evidence that granting the amendment would be contrary to the public interest. Therefore, the Authority proposes that it would not be contrary to the public interest to grant the licence amendment.

LYNDON ROWE CHAIRMAN