

NOTICE

Western Power's Proposed Access Arrangement Revisions for the South West Interconnected Network

INVITATION FOR SUBMISSIONS

The Economic Regulation Authority invites submissions on Western Power's proposed revisions to its access arrangement for the South West Interconnected Network (SWIN), submitted under the *Electricity Networks Access Code 2004*.

The [proposed revisions](#) and [related documents](#) are available on the Authority's web site.

Access arrangements detail the terms and conditions, including prices, which apply to third parties seeking the use of regulated electricity networks.

Under the Access Code, access arrangements continue in effect from their start date until the network ceases to be covered. However, a service provider is required to periodically submit proposed revisions to its access arrangement.

Proposed Revisions to Access Arrangement

The Authority approved Western Power's access arrangement for the SWIN in April 2007, for a start date of 1 July 2007.

As required by its approved access arrangement, Western Power submitted its proposed revisions to the Authority on 1 October 2008. Subject to the Authority's approval, the proposed revisions for the access arrangement will apply from 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2012.

Regulatory Test

Western Power's proposed revisions do not contain any major augmentation proposals that need assessment under the regulatory test. Therefore, public submissions are not required under section 9.12 of the Access Code.

Technical Rules

Western Power's technical rules were approved by the Authority in April 2007 and came into operation on 1 July 2007. They are subject to review in accordance with the Access Code.

Western Power has submitted [revised technical rules](#). Under the Access Code, revised technical rules are subject to a separate review and approval process. A Technical Rules Committee has been established to advise the Authority. Separate notices will be issued by the Authority on the assessment and approval process for the revised technical rules.

INVITATION TO MAKE A SUBMISSION

Interested parties are invited to make submissions to the Authority on Western Power's proposed access arrangement revisions by 4:00 pm (WST) Wednesday, 19 November 2008.

To help interested parties prepare submissions, the Authority will publish an issues paper by Wednesday, 5 November 2008. A further notice will be published at this time, with additional details of the Authority's review and approval process. The Authority anticipates that a public forum will be held, early November 2008, about the proposed access arrangement revisions.

Submissions should be sent in printed form to:

Access Arrangement Review
Electricity Access
Economic Regulation Authority
PO Box 8469
Perth BC WA 6849

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

In general, all submissions from interested parties will be treated as 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. If a submission in whole or in part contains information of a confidential nature, no duty of confidence will arise for the Authority in these circumstances.

Any specific claim of confidentiality with respect to submissions received during the review of Western Power's access arrangement will be considered in accordance with the confidentiality provisions of the Access Code, sections 14.12 to 14.15.

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