



Economic Regulation Authority

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INFORMATION

Economic Regulation Authority Consumer Consultative Committee

MEETING OF 7 SEPTEMBER 2011

The Economic Regulation Authority Consumer Consultative Committee (ERACCC) held its third meeting of this year on 7 September 2011.

The following presentations were made at the meeting:

Synergy Inquiry – The ERACCC received a presentation on the current ERA inquiry into the efficiency of Synergy's costs and electricity tariffs. The ERA published an issues paper to help interested parties understand the issues under review and sought public comment on the inquiry. The period for public submissions closed on 9 September 2011. The ERA is currently preparing the Draft Report.

State Underground Power Program - The ERACCC received a presentation on the current ERA inquiry into the costs and benefits of the state underground power program. The Draft Report was published on 1 July 2011, with the period for public submissions open until 12 August 2011. The ERA is currently preparing the Final Report.

Shared Services - The ERACCC received a presentation on the recent ERA inquiry into the costs and benefits associated with the provision of shared corporate services within the public sector. After considering the submissions received, the ERA delivered its Final Report to the Treasurer on 10 June 2011. The report was tabled in Parliament on 7 July 2011.

2011 Review of the Code of Conduct for the Supply of Electricity to Small Use Customers – The ERACCC received a presentation on the review of the *Code of Conduct for the Supply of Electricity to Small Use Customers*. The Electricity Code Consultative Committee plans to commence meetings in October 2011.

Water Legislation Reform - Dr Marnie Leybourne, Executive Department, Policy & Innovation at the Department of Water provided a guest speaker presentation on the Water Services Bill and its impact on the water industry.

Pastoralists & Graziers Association - Mr Tony Seabrook provided a member presentation on the history and role of the Pastoralists & Graziers Association.

The ERACCC was established in 2005 and comprises a diverse range of members representing the interests of a wide range of consumers. The ERACCC exists to provide input to the ERA and to act as an information distribution channel for the ERA for the benefit of Western Australian consumers.

More information about ERACCC is available on the ERA website.

The ERACCC will next meet on 7 December 2011.

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