
RC_2008_31 Capacity credits for solar facilities

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Submission

1. Please provide your views on the proposal, including any objections or suggested revisions

LGP supports the Rule Change on the grounds that it removes an existing inequity impeding solar generation in a manner that properly and rationally recognises its contribution to system capacity without diminishing other facilities and technologies.

2. Please provide an assessment, whether the change will better facilitate the achievement of the Market Objectives

LGP supports Synergy's contention that the proposal supports market objectives (b) (to encourage competition among generators and retailers and (c), avoiding discrimination against particular energy options and technologies. In particular, this proposal removes an inequity whereby solar generation would otherwise be allocated capacity credits significantly below its true contribution, without diminishing other facilities or technologies. LGP perceives this Rule Change to be an essential upgrade of the Rules to facilitate utilization of Western Australia's abundant solar resource and thereby enhanced participation in the revised federal Mandatory Renewable Energy Target.

3. Please indicate if the proposed change will have any implications for your organisation, (for example changes to your IT or business systems) and any costs involved

LGP would incur no organisational costs as a consequence of adopting the change.

4. Please indicate the time required for your organisation to implement the change, should it be accepted as proposed

LGP would be able to implement this Rule Change immediately.
