

## Wholesale Electricity Market Rule Change Proposal Submission Form

### RC\_2010\_18 Change of Review Board Name

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#### Submission

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

#### Background

Immediately prior to Market Commencement, the Western Australian Gas Review Board (the Board) was expanded to include electricity related functions. The Board has a role as a primary appeals body for the Wholesale Electricity Market in a number of areas, including hearing appeals against decisions made by the IMO and imposing civil penalties for breaches of the Market Rules. The Board is referred to as the “Energy Review Board” in the Market Rules as it was anticipated at Market Commencement that the Board would officially change its name to be known as the Energy Review Board.

The anticipated name change did not occur before Market Commencement. More recently, changes to primary legislation finally introduced an official change of name for the Board, and it is now known as the “Western Australian Electricity Review Board”.

## **Change Proposal**

The Independent Market Operator (IMO) has proposed a Fast Track Rule change to replace all references to “Energy Review Board” in the Market Rules with “Electricity Review Board” to be consistent with the naming convention in current legislation.

## **Perth Energy’s Views**

Perth Energy supports the IMO’s change proposal which will ensure the Market Rules correctly references the appeals body. Furthermore, the change should ensure no confusion exists as to the identity of the appeals body.

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

Perth Energy considers the change would marginally better facilitate the achievement of Market Objective<sup>1</sup> (a) as it would ensure no confusion exists as to the identity of the appeals body. Perth Energy has not identified any negative impacts on any of the other Market Objectives.

**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 in implementing these changes.**

There will be no impact for Perth Energy.

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

Perth Energy does not require any lead time to implement the change.

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<sup>1</sup> The objectives of the market are:

- (a) to promote the economically efficient, safe and reliable production and supply of electricity and electricity related services in the South West interconnected system;
- (b) to encourage competition among generators and retailers in the South West interconnected system, including by facilitating efficient entry of new competitors;
- (c) to avoid discrimination in that market against particular energy options and technologies, including sustainable energy options and technologies such as those that make use of renewable resources or that reduce overall greenhouse gas emissions;
- (d) to minimise the long-term cost of electricity supplied to customers from the South West interconnected system; and
- (e) to encourage the taking of measures to manage the amount of electricity used and when it is used.