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Dear Dora

Draft WEM Guideline: Non-Co-optimised Essential System Services

Western Power welcomes the opportunity to comment on EPWA's draft WEM Guideline: Non-Co-optimised Essential System Services (NCESS). The Guideline clarifies the process for Western Power, Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) and the Coordinator of Energy to follow when identifying the need for the procurement of non-network solutions as NCESS.

As a key stakeholder in the NCESS Framework, Western Power supports the process set out in the guideline as it is designed to be collaborative, yet simple and largely informal. Coordination between the three parties will affirm that optimal solutions are being delivered in the long-term interests of consumers.

Western Power's focus remains on ensuring seamless integration of the NCESS Framework with the processes already established under the Energy Transformation Strategy. This includes annual publication of the Transmission System Plan (TSP) and Network Opportunity Map (NOM). Western Power is committed to working with EPWA to enhance the overall cohesiveness of these processes.

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