



Electricity Supply Industry Act 1995

Notice of Renewal

Distribution Licence

Retail Licence

Aurora Energy Pty Ltd

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BACKGROUND

Pursuant to the *Electricity Supply Industry Act 1995* (the Act), the Regulator is responsible for administering the licensing system for electricity entities.

The Regulator has the authority to consider and determine licence applications, and can refuse or issue licences for the generation, transmission, distribution and retailing of electricity.

Aurora Energy Pty Ltd (Aurora) is the holder of an electricity distribution licence and an electricity retail licence, both of which are due to expire on 21 December 2008. The Office received letters from Aurora on 25 August 2008 and 4 September 2008 applying for renewal of the two licences respectively.

CONSIDERATION OF RENEWAL OF LICENCES

Under the Act, the Regulator may issue:

- a distribution licence if satisfied that the applicant is a suitable person to hold the licence and the relevant distribution network has the necessary capacity for distributing electricity safely; or
- a retail licence if satisfied that the applicant is a suitable person to hold the licence.

In considering whether to renew a distribution or retail licence, the Regulator takes into account the same considerations. From the information provided periodically by Aurora as part of its licensee obligations, the Regulator is satisfied that the network operated by Aurora has the necessary capacity for distributing electricity safely and Aurora is a suitable person to continue to hold the distribution and retail licences.

REGULATOR'S DECISION

The decision of the Regulator was to renew the distribution licence and retail licence of Aurora for a further ten years effective on 21 December 2008.

Copies of the two renewed licences have been placed in the Public Register which is on the Regulator's website at www.energyregulator.tas.gov.au.

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DELEGATE OF REGULATOR

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