

Invitation for Submissions – Reference Services

1. INTRODUCTION

Prior to the commencement of each pricing period, Horizon Power must publish a services and pricing policy, which includes, among other things, a description of the reference services to be offered by Horizon Power for its covered (regulated) Pilbara network, and the terms and conditions for each service.

The next pricing period commences on 1 July 2027. Under the Pilbara Networks Access Code 2021 (**PNAC**), Horizon Power is required to undertake a public consultation process before publishing the services and pricing policy for the next pricing period. Horizon Power expects to commence consultation on the draft services and pricing policy for the next pricing period in December 2026.

Horizon Power is now seeking comments from the public on whether new reference services (if any) should be offered in the next pricing period. This document sets out details of the invitation to the public to submit their comments.

2. MATTER FOR CONSULTATION – REFERENCE SERVICES

Horizon Power currently offers 21 reference services for its covered Pilbara network:

- 7 exit services, where electricity is more likely to be transferred out of the covered network than into the network
- 3 entry services, where electricity is more likely to be transferred into the covered network than out of the network
- 5 bidirectional services, where electricity may be transferred into and out of the network
- one interconnection service, which connects an interconnector to the network
- 5 services that are auxiliary to an exit service, entry service or bidirectional service.

These reference services are described in a document that is published on Horizon Power's [website](#). Under section 61 of the PNAC, a reference service is a covered service that is likely to be sought by either a significant number of users or a substantial proportion of the market. Any covered services that are specific to a particular connection point can be provided via a non-reference service.

Horizon Power is now seeking comments on whether there are any new additional reference services that should be offered in the next pricing period. At this stage, Horizon Power is not seeking comments on existing reference services applicable to the current pricing period. Comments on existing reference services will be sought as part of the consultation on the services and pricing policy for the next pricing period, which will commence late this year.

3. MAKING A SUBMISSION AND NEXT STEPS

How to submit

Submissions must be sent via email to pilbara.network@horizonpower.com.au by 5:00pm (WA time) on Friday 29 May 2026 with the email subject line 'Reference Services for the next pricing period' and include company name, contact name and contact details.

Format of submission

Horizon Power requests submissions be set out in a table format with the following information for each new additional reference service proposed:

Parameter	Information required
Description of new reference service	[Exit service, entry service, bidirectional service, interconnection service or auxiliary service?]
Applicability	[Should reference service apply to transmission or distribution-connected customers? Based on metered or contract maximum demand, or some other metric?]
Reason for inclusion	[Why should Horizon Power add this new reference service for the next pricing period?]
Other	[Include any other information that is relevant to the submission]

Next steps

Horizon Power will consider each new reference service proposed during the consultation process. A summary of Horizon Power's response to each new reference service proposed will be published on Horizon Power's [website](#) within approximately 40 business days from the closing date of submissions.

The draft services and pricing policy is expected to be published in or around December 2026, and will include any newly required reference services.