

Proposed Changes to the Electricity Industry (Wholesale Electricity Market) Regulations 2004 MEA RESPONSE – April 2024

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MEA supports the Western Australia (WA) Government's proposal to extend the Minister of Energy's (the Minister) rule-making powers from 31 October 2025 to 31 October 2027. We believe that this supports our position of advocating for increased levels of Consumer Energy Resources (CER) in the WEM. You can view our core policy document at https://masterelectricians.com.au/wp-content/uploads/DER-Policy-Working-Paper.pdf

Allowing the Minister to maintain these functions should provide for ongoing momentum in the electrification space, allowing CER to have greater integration within the WEM.