Standard Form Contract

Horizon Power



Regional Power Corporate trading as **Horizon Power**

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The following notice applies if this is an unsolicited consumer agreement (as defined in the Australian Consumer Law). For more information on what constitutes an unsolicited consumer agreement, refer to www.accc.gov.au or www.commerce.wa.gov.au or contact the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission or Consumer Protection WA.

Notice under Section 79 of the Australian Consumer Law

Important Notice to the Consumer

You have a right to cancel this contract within 10 business days from and including the day after you signed or received this contract. Details about your additional rights to cancel this contract are set out in the information attached to this contract.

Customer's Commitment and Ackno	wledgement
I, Contract Details below:	_, the Customer under this <i>contract</i> and named in the
 apply to Horizon Power for the supply contained in the Horizon Power Stand 	y of electricity to the <i>premises</i> on the terms and conditions dard Electricity Terms and Conditions; and Code of Conduct information outlining the various rights and a Customer.
Signature*:	Print name:
Date:	_
* If an incorporated business (company), the signat	ure of an authorised representative is required or of the Customer being billed
Horizon Power	
Signature**:	Print name:
Date:	_

** Signed by Horizon Power

This contract is accepted when a relevant officer of Horizon Power signs the application form.

If acting on behalf of Horizon Power

Agent Details

Name:	
Marketing company name:	
Business address:	
Telephone number:	
Email:	

Contract Details

This form enables us to provide electricity to your *premises*.

1. Your Details		
Title (e.g. Mr / Mrs):		
Surname:	Given names:	
Postal address:		
Suburb:	Postcode:	
Contact details:		
Home:	Work:	
Mobile:	Email:	
2. Your Business Details (Complete this section Registered business name: ABN/ACN: 3. Connection Details Address of site connection required:		
Date connection required:		
4. Product & Pricing Details		
5. Billing Frequency		
Standard:	Group:	

Attachment A

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Notice information under Section 79 of the Australian Consumer Law

In addition to your rights described in this contract:

- (a) you have a right to cancel this contract at any time within 10 business days from and including the day after you signed or received this contract; or
- (b) you have a right to cancel this contract at any time within three months from and including the day after you signed or received this contract, if there has been a breach of one or more of the following sections of the Australian Consumer Law:
 - i. section 73 (permitted hours for negotiating an unsolicited consumer agreement);
 - ii. section 74 (disclosing purpose and identity); or
 - section 75 (ceasing to negotiate on request).
- (c) you have a right to cancel this contract at any time within six months from and including the day after you signed or received this contract, if there has been a breach of one or more of the following sections of the Australian Consumer Law:
 - i. section 76 (informing Consumer of termination period);
 - ii. a provision of Subdivision C (requirements for unsolicited consumer agreements); or
 - section 86 (prohibition on supplies for 10 business days).

You can cancel this contract by telling us over the telephone or in person that you would like to cancel this contract, or by:

- giving us a notice personally via phone on 1800 267 926;
- giving or sending us by post, a notice in an envelope addressed to PO Box 1066, BENTLEY DC WA 6983; or
- emailing us on support@horizonpower.com.au,

saying that you would like to cancel this contract.

You can also use the notice attached as Attachment B to this contract to tell us you would like to cancel this contract.

Attachment B

Section 82, Australian Consumer Law

Cancellation Notice - Unsolicited Consumer Agreement

Right to cancel this contract within 10 business day cooling-off period

You have a right to cancel this contract without any reason within 10 business days from and including the day after you signed or received this contract.

Extended right to cancel this contract

If we have not complied with the Australian Consumer Law in relation to unsolicited consumer agreements, you also have a right to cancel this contract by contacting us, either orally or in writing. Refer to the information attached to this contract in Attachment A. You may have up to six months to cancel this contract in certain circumstances.

To cancel this contract in writing, you can complete the below notice and send it to us before the 10 business day cooling- off period has expired.

Alternatively, you can write a letter or send an email to us (see the details in Attachment A).

Notice to Cancel

Horizon Power's Details: Name: Regional Power Corporation trading as Horizon Power Address: 18 Brodie-Hall Drive, Bentley, Western Australia 6102 Email: support@horizonpower.com.au Details of goods or services supplied under this contract: Consumer's Details: (to be completed by you - please complete in full) Name: Premises (supply address): _____ I wish to cancel this Contract Your signature: Date: ___

Standard Electricity Terms and Conditions

If you have any questions regarding your electricity supply, you can contact us in writing:

Customer Service Horizon Power PO Box 1066 BENTLEY DC WA 6983

By telephone:

For billing and payment enquiries and complaints by residential customers, on 1800 267 926 during business hours

For billing and payment enquiries and complaints by business customers, on 1800 737 036 during business hours

For TTY users (hearing impaired customers) on 1800 461 499 during business hours

For customers residing outside Western Australia on 1800 232 135 during business hours

To report a fault or emergency, 24 hours a day on 13 23 51

By email:

support@horizonpower.com.au

By Internet:

www.horizonpower.com.au

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1. **Supply of Electricity**

We will sell electricity to you at the premises in accordance with these terms and conditions. These terms and conditions apply to the sale of electricity to all customers who pay the standard price for electricity.

Code of Conduct 2.

- 2.1 The Code of Conduct regulates the conduct of electricity retailers, network operators and electricity marketing agents. The Code of Conduct is designed to protect the interests of residential and small business users.
- 2.2 Matters covered by the Code of Conduct include electricity marketing, billing, connection, payment, financial hardship, family violence and vulnerable customers, disconnection, reconnection, pre-payment meters, information and communication, dispute resolution, record keeping and compensation payments to customers for breaches of the Code of Conduct.
- 2.3 If you are a customer who consumes not more than 160 megawatt hours of electricity per annum, we will supply electricity to you under this contract in compliance with the Code of Conduct. Accordingly, where these terms and conditions deal with a subject matter that is covered by the Code of Conduct, then we will act consistently with the relevant provisions of the Code of Conduct.
- 2.4 You can obtain more information about the Code of Conduct from us or the Economic Regulation Authority.

3. When the Contract Starts

- (a) If you have requested us to supply electricity, this contract begins on the date that you accept our offer to supply electricity to you. Otherwise, this contract begins at any earlier time when electricity is deemed by law to be supplied to you under this contract.
- (b) We may require you to provide us with acceptable identification as a precondition of entering into this contract.

4. **Charges, Rebates and Benefit Changes**

4.1 Standard price

You must pay to us the standard price that applies to you.

4.2 What are the standard prices?

- (a) There are two main types of standard prices available: residential prices and non-residential prices
- (b) In addition, there are also different types of residential and non-residential prices. Some examples of these are the Tariff A2 residential price, the business price, community service price and the charitable accommodation price.
- (c) We publish our standard prices in the Charges By-laws or on our website from time to time.

- (d) Whether a particular standard price applies to you will depend on you meeting the eligibility conditions for that standard price.
- (e) For an explanation of the standard prices available and the eligibility conditions applying to those standard prices, please visit our website or call us.
- (f) We have the right to unilaterally change the standard prices at any time. If we change the standard prices, we will:
 - if the standard prices are set by the State Government by no later than your next bill:
 - (ii) if the standard prices are not set by the State Government unless the Code of Conduct says we are not required to notify you, by at least five business days' advance notice of the change coming into effect,

in each case, notify you of such change by any means, including post, telephone or electronic means.

You have the right to terminate this contract should you disagree with these standard price changes.

4.3 Which standard price do you pay?

- (a) Your bill will show which standard price you are paying. Please advise us if you wish to choose a different standard price from the price appearing on your bill. If you meet the relevant eligibility conditions, we will change the standard price that applies to you to the standard price of your choice within 10 business days of you meeting the relevant eligibility conditions.
- (b) The new standard price will be effective from the date on which a meter reading is obtained, unless otherwise agreed between you and us. In some cases, we may need to change the meter at your premises in order to provide you a different standard price. In that case, the new standard price will be effective when your meter change is completed. Please note that there may be a separate charge for meter changes. For an explanation of these charges please visit our website or call us.

4.4 Eligibility conditions on standard price

- (a) You must advise us as soon as possible if you no longer meet the eligibility conditions applying to the standard price that you currently pay.
- (b) If we discover that you are no longer eligible to receive the price that you currently pay, including because the premises are changed pursuant to clause 21.8, then we can charge you a new standard price instead of the price that you currently pay, provided that we first advise you of the new standard price by any means including post, telephone or electronic means.
- (c) If you have been undercharged for your electricity supply because you were being charged at a standard price that you were not eligible to receive, then we can require you to pay to us the amount that you have underpaid for a period of up to 12 months prior to the date that we advise you of the new standard price.

4.5 Rebates

If you are eligible for a *rebate* and *you* apply to *us*, *we* will provide that *rebate* to *you*. You can contact *us* if *you* have any queries about any *rebates*.

4.6 Eligibility conditions on rebates

If you are no longer eligible for a rebate, you must advise us as soon as possible. If we discover that you are no longer eligible for a rebate, then we will advise you in writing that you will not be receiving any further rebates. We can also require you to pay to us the amount that you have underpaid for a period of up to 12 months prior to the date that we advise you that you will not receive the rebate.

4.7 Benefit changes

We will give you between 20 and 40 business days' notice of a benefit change and of the options for supply available to you after the benefit change. Notice can be by electronic means, other written means or verbal.

4.8 Adjustment for change in law

- (a) To the extent permitted by *law*, if a *change in law* occurs, *we* may adjust the *standard price* applicable under this *contract* or introduce a new *standard price* to the extent necessary to place *us* in the position *we* would have been in under this *contract* had it not been for the *change in law*. If *we* need to advise *you* of a change in the *standard price*, *we* will, by no later than *your* next bill, notify *you* of such change by any means, including post, telephone or *electronic means*. *You* have the right to terminate this *contract* should *you* disagree with these *standard price* changes.
- (b) This clause 4.8 does not limit or prejudice in any way other rights we have from time to time to adjust the *standard price* applicable under this *contract*.

4.9 Set off

- (a) We may set off any amount that you owe to us under this contract against any amount payable by us to you under this contract or otherwise.
- (b) Nothing in this *contract* limits *our* ability at *law* to set off any amount owing to *us* under this *contract* against any amount payable by *us* to *you* under another *contract* you may have with *us*, or set off any amount payable by *us* to *you* under this *contract* against any amount owing to *us* under another *contract* you may have with *us*.

5. How We Will Calculate Your Electricity Use

5.1 Meter reading

(a) Where a *meter* has been installed at *your premises*, we use *meter* readings to prepare your bill. We will use our best endeavours to ensure that we read the *meter* once every billing cycle. However, if we request you to read your meter, you can read the meter yourself and provide us with the meter readings. In that case, we will bill you on the basis of your meter readings.

- (b) In any event, we will ensure that we read the meter at your premises at least once every 12 months.
- (c) If we cannot reasonably base a bill on our reading of the meter, then we will provide you with an estimated bill based on:
 - if we request you to read your meter your reading of the meter; or
 - (ii) your prior billing history; or
 - (iii) if we do not have your prior billing history, the average usage of electricity by those customers who we consider are in a comparable position to you (generally by location or usage pattern).
- (d) If we have provided you with an estimated bill and we subsequently obtain a meter reading, then your next bill will be adjusted to take account of that meter reading.
- (e) If we provide you with a bill based on estimates because you failed to provide access to the meter and you later request us to replace your estimated bill with a bill based on an actual reading of your meter, we will use our best endeavours to do so if you:
 - pay our reasonable charge for reading the meter; and (i)
 - (ii) provide due access to the meter.
- (f) If we provide you with a bill based on estimates, then if you request, we will provide you with the basis of the estimation and the reason for the estimation.
- (g) If no meter is installed at your premises, we will bill you in accordance with applicable laws.

5.2 You can request a meter test

- (a) You can ask us to test the meter to ensure that it is measuring accurately and we will arrange to test the meter if you first pay to us a meter testing fee.
- (b) If we test the meter in accordance with clause 5.2(a) and find that the meter is not measuring accurately, then, clause 5.4 will apply.
- (c) If the meter is not measuring accurately, we will also arrange to either repair or replace the meter at no charge to you, provided you have complied with clause 8.3 of this contract.
 - By "accurate", we mean the meter is measuring as accurately as the written law requires.

5.3 You can request a check of energy data

- (a) You can ask us to check your energy data for a specified period if you first pay to us an energy data checking fee. In response to your request, we will provide you with your energy data for the premises for the specified period.
- (b) If we check your energy data in accordance with clause 5.3(a) and find that the energy data does not reflect your consumption at the premises during the specified period, then clause 5.4 will apply.

5.4 If meter is not accurate or energy data is incorrect

- (a) If we find that the *meter* is not measuring accurately or that the *energy data* does not reflect *your* consumption at the *premises* during the specified period, then:
 - (i) we will use our best endeavours to tell you within 10 business days of us undertaking the test or check;
 - (ii) we will ask your instructions as to whether to credit the testing or checking fee to your account or have the amount repaid to you, unless the amount is less than \$100, in which case we will credit it to your account; and
 - (iii) we will not pay you interest on the amount we have charged you.
- (b) You must give us your instructions for crediting or repaying the testing or checking fee under clause 5.4(a)(ii) within 5 business days of us asking you. We will credit or repay the amount within 12 business days after receiving your instructions. If you don't give us your instructions within 5 business days of us asking you, we will endeavour to credit it to your account.
- (c) If we are to credit or repay you the testing or checking fee and you owe us an amount under this contract, we may, after providing notice to you, use the testing or checking fee to set off the amount you owe us, in accordance with clause 4.9 of this contract, provided that you are not experiencing financial hardship. If, after the set off, there remains an amount of credit to you, we will deal with it in accordance with clauses 5.4(a)(ii) and 5.4(b).

6. Bills

6.1 When we will bill you

We will bill you in accordance with the billing cycle that we set for our customers from time to time. As an indication, our billing cycle is no less than once every 100 days.

6.2 Paying your bill

- (a) You must pay the total amount payable for each bill by the due date specified in that bill. The due date will be at least 12 business days from the date we issue you the bill. We must accept your request to make a payment in advance in accordance with the Code of Conduct, however we will not be required to credit any interest to the amount paid in advance.
- (b) You can find out the range of payment options that you can choose from by referring to your bill, by visiting our website or by calling our customer service centre.

6.2A Payment assistance

In accordance with *our* obligations under the *Code of Conduct*, if *you* are a *residential customer* and having *payment problems* or difficulty paying *your* bill, *we* will make available to *you* either additional time to pay *your* bill (which amount of time *we* will determine) or a *payment plan* for the amount owing in *your* bill.

However, we are not required to make either of these options available to you if, in the previous 12 months:

- (a) you have been granted additional time to pay or a payment plan; and
- (b) you have failed to pay two or more bills within the additional time provided or you have had two or more payment plans cancelled for non-payment.

6.3 If you are in financial hardship

- (a) If you are having trouble paying your bills, please advise us. We will assess your request within five business days of your request.
- (b) If you are a residential customer and we assess that you are experiencing financial hardship, we will:
 - (i) offer you a payment plan option;
 - (ii) offer you additional time to pay;
 - (iii) give reasonable consideration to *your* request for a reduction of *your* debt (including in accordance with *our family violence policy*, if applicable);
 - (iv) advise you of:
 - (A) your right to have your bill redirected to a different address (including an email address) at no charge; and
 - (B) payment methods available to you; and
 - (C) concessions and other financial assistance offered by us that may be available to you and how to access that assistance; and
 - (D) alternative tariffs that might be available to you; and
 - (E) independent financial counselling services and other relevant consumer representative organisations available to *you*.
- (c) If you are a business customer and you are experiencing payment problems, we will consider any reasonable request for alternative payment arrangements.
- (d) If you owe us money, you may request that we transfer the debt to another customer and we may transfer the debt to that person provided we first obtain that person's verifiable consent in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

6.4 Variation of payment plans

- (a) If you are on a payment plan, you can ask us to review your payment plan twice every 12 months. If after our review we determine that you are unable to meet your obligations under the payment plan, we will offer to vary your payment plan.
- (b) If you accept a variation to your payment plan, we will provide you with information about the variation within five business days.

6.5 If you do not pay your bill

- (a) If you do not pay the total amount payable for any bill by the due date, then we can, subject to complying with the Code of Conduct and the terms of this contract:
 - (i) send a disconnection warning to you; and

- (ii) charge you a late payment fee for each overdue account notice we send to you; and
- (iii) charge you interest on the amount you have not paid; and
- (iv) disconnect your electricity supply; and
- (v) subject to complying with clause 6.6, shorten your billing cycle to a cycle that is at least 10 business days.
- (b) Subject to clause 6.3(b), 6.5(c) and (if applicable) our family violence policy, if you do not pay the total amount payable for any bill after we send a disconnection warning to you, then we can refer your debt to a debt collection agency for collection and if we do so, you must pay any costs that we incur in connection with the recovery of the unpaid bill (including the agency's fees and legal fees) and we may recover your debt in any court of competent jurisdiction as a debt due and payable to us.
- (c) We will not refer your debt to a debt collection agency or commence proceedings to recover your debt if:
 - (i) you have told us you are experiencing payment problems and we have not yet complied with our obligations in clause 6.3; and
 - (ii) you are a residential customer you continue to make payments under a payment plan.
- (d) If you pay a bill and the payment is dishonoured or reversed and, as a result, we have to pay fees to any other person, you must reimburse us for those fees.

6.6 Shortened billing cycle

- (a) We can only shorten your billing cycle if:
 - (i) you are a residential customer you are not experiencing financial hardship; and
 - (ii) we give you a reminder notice for three consecutive bills; and
 - (iii) before we give you the third reminder notice, we notify you that:
 - receipt of the third reminder notice may result in us placing you on a (A) shortened billing cycle; and
 - (B) if you are a residential customer - assistance is available for residential customers experiencing payment problems; and
 - (C) you may obtain further information by contacting us; and
 - once we place you on a shortened billing cycle, you must pay three consecutive bills by the due date to return to your former billing cycle.
- (b) Within 10 business days of shortening your billing cycle, we will notify you that:
 - (i) you have been placed on a shortened billing cycle; and
 - (ii) you must pay three consecutive bills by the due date shown on each bill in order to return to your former billing cycle; and

(iii) if you fail to make a payment, we may arrange to disconnect your electricity supply.

If you are on a shortened billing cycle, we will remind you, at least once every three months, that if you pay three consecutive bills by the due date we will place you back on your former billing cycle if you ask us to do so.

(c) If you are on a shortened billing cycle and you pay three consecutive bills by the due date, we will place you back on your former billing cycle if you ask us to do so.

Overdue accounts 6.7

- (a) If your account remains overdue for more than 60 days, we may give information about you to a credit reporting agency. This information will allow the credit reporting agency to create or maintain a credit information file containing information about you. The information that we disclose about you to a credit reporting agency may include any of the following:
 - identification information including your name, sex, address (and previous two addresses), date of birth, name of employer and drivers licence number; and
 - (ii) amounts over \$200 that are overdue by more than 60 days and for which debt collection action has started; and
 - (iii) advice that your payments are no longer overdue in respect of any default that has been listed: and
 - (iv) information that, in our opinion, you have committed a serious credit infringement (that is, acted fraudulently or shown an intention not to comply with your credit obligations); and
 - (v) dishonoured cheques cheques drawn by you for \$150 or more which have been dishonoured more than once.
- (b) This information may be given before, during or after the supply of services to you and this clause survives termination of this contract for any reason.

6.8 Billing data

- (a) If you consume less than 160 MWh of electricity per annum, we will give you your billing data for the premises upon request. This information will be free of charge:
 - (i) for the first two requests that you make in a year if the data requested is for a period less than the last two years; or
 - (ii) if you request the billing data in relation to a dispute with us.

6.9 Re-directing your bill

If you ask us to redirect your bill to a different address (including an email address or a different email address), we will do so at no cost to you.

7. Reviewing Your Bill

7.1 Reviewing a bill

- (a) If you have a query about your bill and you ask us to review the bill, then we will review it.
- (b) In the meantime, you must pay to us the balance of the bill that is not being queried or an amount equal to the average amount of your bills over the previous 12 months (excluding the bill that you are querying), whichever is less. If you have any other bills that are due, then you must also pay those bills by the due dates.
- (c) If we review your bill, we will inform you of the outcome of the review as soon as we can and no later than 20 business days from the date we are deemed to receive your request for us to review your bill.
- (d) If we are satisfied the bill is correct, we:
 - (i) may require you to pay the unpaid amount; and
 - (ii) will advise you that you can ask us to arrange a meter test or a check of your energy data; and
 - (iii) will advise you of our customer complaints policy and of how to make a complaint to the Energy Ombudsman of Western Australia.
- (e) If we are satisfied the bill is incorrect, we will adjust the bill for any undercharging or overcharging (clause 7.2 explains how we do this).

7.2 Undercharging and overcharging

- (a) If we undercharge you due to an act or omission by us (including where the meter has been found to be defective), we can require you to make a correcting payment and we will offer you the option to pay the correcting payment by instalments. In any event:
 - (i) we will only require you to make a correcting payment for amounts undercharged in the 12 months prior to the date that we advise you that you have been undercharged; and
 - (ii) we will notify you of the correcting payment no later than your next bill after we become aware of the undercharge, and we will list the correcting payment separately in that next bill, together with an explanation of the basis on which that amount was calculated; and
 - (iii) we will not charge you interest on the correcting payment or require you to pay a late fee.
- (b) If we overcharge you due to an act or omission by us (including where the meter has been found to be defective), then:
 - (i) we will use our best endeavours to tell you that we have overcharged you within 10 business days of becoming aware; and
 - (ii) we will ask your instructions as to whether to credit the amount to your account or have the amount repaid to you, unless the amount is less than \$100, in which case we will credit it to your account; and

- (iii) we will not pay you interest on the amount we overcharged you; and
- (iv) the 12 month limit referred to in clause 7.2(a)(i)does not apply to amounts that we have overcharged you.

You must give us your instructions for crediting or repaying an amount under clause 7.2(b)(ii) within five or, if you are a pre-payment meter customer, within 20 business days of us asking you. If you don't, we will credit the amount to your account.

(c) If we overcharge you and you owe us a debt, we may after providing notice to you, use the amount you have been overcharged to set off the debt you owe us, in accordance with clause 4.8 of this contract, provided that you are not experiencing financial hardship. If, after the set off, there remains an amount of credit to you, we will deal with it in accordance with clause 7.2(b).

8. **Electricity Supply Equipment and Your Equipment**

8.1 **Electricity supply equipment**

- (a) The electricity supply equipment remains our property at all times and we are responsible for installing and maintaining the electricity supply equipment.
- (b) You must not do anything that will damage, bypass or interfere with the electricity supply equipment or use electricity in a way that damages, bypasses or interferes with that equipment.
- (c) You must ensure, and take all necessary actions to ensure, that any other person does not do anything that will damage, bypass or interfere with the electricity supply equipment or use electricity in a way that interferes, damages or bypasses that electricity supply equipment.
- (d) "electricity supply equipment" means the meter and all wiring, apparatus or other works which are located up to the point that the meter is attached to the premises and which are used for, or in connection with, the supply of electricity by us or, if there is no meter attached to the premises, down from the connection point on the premises which is used by us in connection with, the supply of electricity, but, for the avoidance of doubt, excludes any overhead power lines and power poles owned by you.

8.2 Your equipment

- (a) You are responsible for keeping your equipment in good working order and condition and in compliance with technical requirements (including electrical installation wiring rules).
- (b) If embedded generation is, or is to be, installed at the premises, you must comply, and must ensure that your equipment complies, with the technical requirements (including electrical installation wiring rules).
- (c) "your equipment" means all wiring and other equipment located at the premises which are used to take supply of, store, generate or consume electricity except any electricity supply equipment, and includes any overhead power lines and power poles owned by you.

8.3 Prohibited activity

- (a) You must not:
 - (i) tamper with, bypass, circumvent or otherwise interfere with the *electricity supply equipment*, or do anything that will prevent *us* from accessing the *electricity supply equipment*, or allow anyone else to do so; or
 - (ii) use, or permit anyone else to use, electricity in a way that interferes with the supply of electricity to anyone else or causes loss to anyone else; or
 - (iii) transfer electricity into the electricity network operated by *us* or allow anyone else to do so without *our* prior written consent.
- (b) You must immediately notify us on becoming aware of any behaviour or circumstance which is suspected to, or may reasonably be expected, to contravene clause 8.3(a) of this contract.
- (c) In the event you or someone else tampers with, bypasses, circumvents or otherwise interferes with the *electricity supply equipment* then you will be responsible for any loss or damage to us.

9. Moving Premises

9.1 New electricity connection

If you move into the *premises*, or the *premises* is changed pursuant to clause 21.8 of this *contract*, and it does not already have an existing electricity connection, then we will sell you electricity from the day that we connect the *premises* to the network and energise the *premises*.

9.2 Existing electricity connection

- (a) If you move into the premises or the premises is changed pursuant to clause 21.8 of this contract, and it has an existing electricity connection, then we will charge you for electricity supplied to the premises from the date that the meter at the premises was last read, unless we have requested you to read the meter and you read the meter and advise us of the meter reading within three business days of the day that you move in.
- (b) If a final *meter* reading was not taken, we will estimate the amount of electricity used by the previous occupant, so we do not overcharge or undercharge you.

9.3 Moving out of the premises

- (a) If you move out of the *premises* and no longer wish to obtain an electricity supply at the *premises*, you must advise us:
 - (i) at least five days before you move out; and
 - (ii) of an address where the final bill can be sent.
- (b) If you advise us as described in clause 9.3(a), and you move out of the premises at the time specified in your notice, then we will make a final meter reading on the day that you move out of the premises and issue a final bill to you. In that case, you are only required to pay for electricity used up to the day you move out of the premises.

- (c) If you have demonstrated to us that you were evicted from the premises or were otherwise required to vacate the premises and you consume not more than 160 MWh of electricity per annum, we will not require you to pay for electricity consumed at the premises from the date that you advise us of the following:
 - (i) the date that you vacated or intend to vacate the premises; and
 - (ii) a forwarding address to which a final bill may be sent.
- (d) If you do not advise us as described in clause 9.3(a), then subject to any applicable laws including the Code of Conduct, we may require you to pay for electricity used at the premises for up to a maximum of five days after you notify us that you have moved out of the premises.
- (e) If your final bill is in credit after you have paid us all amounts payable under clauses 9.3(b) or 9.3(c), and you validly terminate this contract, then unless we notify you that we will use that credit to set off an amount you owe us under this contract or under another contract you have with us, you can choose to have us credit this amount to any new account you establish with us or repay the amount to you. We will credit or repay the amount within 12 business days (or such other period as you and we agree) of receiving your instructions.

If we use the credit to set off an amount you owe us and there remains an amount of credit after the set off, then you can choose to have us credit the remaining amount to any new account you establish with us or repay the amount to you.

10. Access to the Premises

- (a) You must let us, or persons nominated by us have safe and unrestricted access to the premises when we need it:
 - (i) to read the meter; or
 - (ii) to inspect or work on the electricity supply equipment; or
 - (iii) to disconnect your electricity supply; or
 - (iv) to inspect or work on your equipment; or
 - (v) for any other reason relating to the supply of electricity to the *premises*.
- (b) We will give you at least five business days' notice before we enter the premises unless:
 - (i) without limiting *our* rights in clause 10(c), we want to inspect, read or examine the meter or any of the electricity supply equipment or your equipment; or
 - (ii) in an emergency; or
 - (iii) if we reasonably suspect that electricity is being used illegally at the premises; or
 - (iv) we consider, acting reasonably, that access to your premises is required earlier than would be the case if we gave five business days' notice in order for us to prudently perform any of our functions in relation to the supply of energy to you,

in which case, we may enter the premises without notice.

- (c) We may at all reasonable times enter the *premises*, without giving *you* prior written notice if, in *our* opinion, it is necessary to do so to carry out routine, minor or general maintenance works on the *meter* or any *electricity supply equipment* or to carry out other works on the *meter* or any *electricity supply equipment* for the purpose of performing *our* functions in relation to electricity supply and the *electricity supply equipment*.
- (d) We may enter *your premises* for the above reasons and in that case, we are required to give *you* the appropriate notice where required.
- (e) A person entering the *premises* on *our* behalf will clearly display identification that identifies the person as *our* employee or agent and show his or her identification to you if you ask to see it.
- (f) If you do not provide safe and unrestricted access to the premises for the purposes of a meter reading by us, we may request you to read the meter and provide the meter reading to us. If we make this request then you must read the meter and provide the meter reading to us within the timeframe specified in our request. No such request prejudices any rights we may have under this contract.

11. Persons Depending on Life Support Equipment

11.1 Eligibility conditions on life support

- (a) You must advise us if you or a person residing at the *premises* is dependent on *life support equipment* and give us written confirmation from a medical practitioner that the person requires *life support equipment*.
- (b) You must advise us as soon as possible if you or a person residing at the premises who is dependent on life support equipment vacates the premises or no longer requires life support equipment.
- (c) If you are a residential customer, within 3 months before or after each anniversary of the date the premises was registered as a life support address, we will notify you that you must confirm to us whether you or a person residing at the premises continues to require life support equipment, and you must comply with our notice. You do not have to provide this confirmation if the anniversary coincides with the requirement to provide confirmation from a health practitioner under clause 11.1(d) below or confirmation has been provided in the last 12 months that a person at the premises requires life support equipment.
- (d) Within 3 months before or after each 3rd anniversary of the date the *premises* was registered as a life support address, we will notify you that you must provide confirmation from a health practitioner that you or a person residing at the *premises* continues to require *life support equipment*, and you must comply with our notice.
- (e) As set out in clause 17.2, *you* must advise *us* if there is any change in *your* contact details (telephone number, postal address and/or email address).

11.2 Interruptions

- (a) If you have advised us that you or a person residing at the premises is dependent on life support equipment, then we will give you (or your nominated person) at least three business days' notice in writing or by electronic means of the interruption before we disconnect or interrupt electricity supply at the premises. However, in an emergency, we can interrupt your electricity supply without giving you (or your nominated person) prior notice.
- (b) It is therefore very important that *you* make suitable alternative arrangements (for example, a back-up supply or alternative power source) to address the needs of any person residing at the *premises* who is dependent on *life support equipment*.

11.3 Disconnections

If you have advised us that you or a person residing at the premises is dependent on life support equipment, then, consistent with the Code of Conduct (where applicable to you), we cannot disconnect your electricity supply because you fail to pay us a bill by the due date, while the person dependent on life support equipment continues to reside at the premises.

12. Interruptions to Your Electricity Supply

12.1 Emergency

- (a) We can interrupt or disconnect *your* electricity supply at any time without notice to *you* in an *emergency*, if we are permitted or required by *written law*.
 - We will:
 - (i) use our best endeavours to turn your electricity on again as soon as possible; and
 - (ii) provide information about the nature of the *emergency* and an estimate of the time supply will be restored by way of *electronic means*.
- (b) If we disconnect your electricity supply because you cause that emergency, then we will reconnect your electricity supply when you ask us to do so and we are satisfied that the emergency no longer exists. In that case, we can also charge you a fee for reconnecting your electricity supply.

12.2 Planned work on distribution system or transmission system

We can interrupt or disconnect your electricity supply at any time if we need to carry out planned work on a distribution system or a transmission system for any reason. We will notify you at least 72 hours before the start of an interruption if we need to carry out planned work on a distribution system or a transmission system. You agree that we can give you such notice by electronic means.

12.3 Events beyond your control

If an event beyond your control occurs and that event prevents or hinders you from performing any of your obligations under this contract, you must tell us immediately and you will not be required to perform that obligation to the extent that you are prevented or hindered from doing so by the event beyond your control. However, you must pay your bill by the due date shown on the bill, even if an event beyond your control occurs.

12.4 Events beyond our control

- (a) Subject to clause 11.2, if an event beyond our control occurs, which:
 - (i) prevents or hinders us from performing any of our obligations under this contract, then we are not required to perform those obligations for as long as the event continues; and/or
 - (ii) prevents us or our sub-contractors from or hinders us or our sub-contractors in our efforts to (or is reasonably likely to prevent or hinder us or our sub-contractors):
 - (A) operating a distribution system or a transmission system in accordance with any written laws and prudent operating practices; and/or
 - (B) maintaining and improving the security and reliability of the power system; and/or
 - (C) maintaining electricity supply to all of our customers connected to a distribution system or a transmission system,then:
 - (D) we may take any action reasonably determined by us to mitigate the effect or likely effect of the event beyond our control, including by interrupting or disconnecting electricity supply to you for any reason, including where required to equitably allocate limited electricity supply across our customers or maintain supply to customers dependent on life support equipment or other vulnerable customers or to maintain electricity supply to essential services; and
 - (E) our obligations under this contract are suspended to the extent they are inconsistent with actions taken by us under clause 12.4(a)(ii)(D).
- (b) If we interrupt or disconnect electricity supply to you under clause 12.4, we will use our reasonable endeavours to provide information about the nature of the emergency and an estimate of the time supply will be restored by way of electronic means.

12.5 Disconnection due to your actions

- (a) We can arrange to disconnect *your* electricity supply, acting in accordance with clause 12.6 and any applicable written *laws*, including the *Code of Conduct* if:
 - (i) subject to clause 11.3 of this *contract*, *you* fail to pay a bill in full by the due date shown on the bill; or
 - (ii) you do not give us safe and unrestricted access to the premises or the meter; or
 - (iii) there has been fraudulent, unlawful or unauthorised use or supply of electricity at the *premises* or any other *premises*; or
 - (iv) you get electricity supplied to the premises illegally; or
 - (v) you fail to keep your equipment in good working order or condition; or
 - (vi) you breach the technical requirements; or

- (vii) you get electricity supplied to the premises in breach of this contract; or
- (viii) you commit a substantial breach of any of your obligations under this contract; or
- (ix) without limiting any of the above sub-clauses, *you* breach any of *your* obligations under this *contract* where that breach is capable of remedy and *you* fail to remedy the breach within 10 *business days* of *us* requesting *you* to do so.

12.6 Things we must do before disconnecting your electricity supply

- (a) If we wish to disconnect *your* electricity supply because *you* fail to pay a bill within the meaning of clause 48 of the *Code of Conduct*, we will:
 - (i) give you a reminder notice not less than 15 business days from the date that we sent you the bill; and
 - (ii) if you still have not paid us after the reminder notice, then give you a disconnection warning not less than 20 business days from the date that we sent you the bill, advising you that we will disconnect you on a day that is at least five business days after the date of the disconnection warning; and
 - (iii) use *our* best endeavours to contact *you*, to advise of the proposed disconnection, including by telephone or *electronic means*,

however, we will not disconnect you:

- (i) until at least one *business day* after the date that we say we will disconnect your electricity supply in the *disconnection warning*; or
- (ii) if you are a residential customer and you have agreed to a payment plan or other payment arrangement and have not deviated from this plan; or
- (iii) if you are a residential customer, the outstanding amount of your bill is less than \$300 and you tell us that you agree to pay the outstanding amount; or
- (iv) if the unpaid amount in *your* bill doesn't relate to the supply of electricity but relates to some other good or service; or
- (v) if you have made an application for a concession and the application has not been decided; or
- (vi) if the bill does not relate to the *premises* (other than if the bill relates to a supply address previously occupied by *you*); or
- (vii) where we have stated in a policy that we will not disconnect you (for example, within our family violence policy).
- (b) If we wish to disconnect your electricity supply because you fail to give us safe access to the meter for at least nine consecutive months, we will:
 - (i) on at least one occasion, give you notice in writing:
 - (A) advising you of the next date or timeframe of a scheduled meter reading at the premises, which will be at least five business days from the date of the notice; and

- (B) advising you of our ability to arrange disconnection if you fail to provide safe access to the meter or if you fail to provide reasonable alternative access arrangements; and
- (ii) use *our* best endeavours to contact *you* to advise *you* of the proposed disconnection if *you* fail to comply with the requirements of the notice issued under clause 12.6(b)(i); and
- (iii) if you still have not given us access, then we will give you a disconnection warning advising you that we will disconnect you on a day that is at least five business days from the day you are deemed to receive the disconnection warning.
- (c) Without limiting *our* rights at *law* and under clause 10, if *we* wish to disconnect *your* electricity supply because *you* fail to give *us* safe access to the *premises* for the purpose of *us* testing, maintaining, altering or replacing the *meter* or checking the accuracy of *your* consumption at the *premises*, *we* will:
 - (i) on at least one occasion, give you notice in writing:
 - (A) advising you of the next date or timeframe during which you are requested to provide access to the *premises*, which will be at least five *business days* from the date of the notice; and
 - (B) advising you of our ability to arrange disconnection if you fail to provide safe access to the *premises* or fail to provide reasonable alternative access arrangements;
 - (ii) give you an opportunity to offer reasonable alternative access arrangements; and
 - (iii) if you still have not given us access, then we will give you a disconnection warning advising you that we will disconnect you on a day that is at least five business days from the day you are deemed to receive the disconnection warning.
- (d) Unless you have requested us to disconnect your electricity supply or we disconnect your electricity supply under clauses 12.1 or 12.4, we will not arrange for disconnection:
 - (i) if you have made a complaint directly related to the reason for disconnection to us, the Energy Ombudsman of Western Australia or another external dispute resolution body and that complaint has not been resolved; or
 - (ii) after 3.00 pm Monday to Thursday; or
 - (iii) after 12.00 noon on a Friday; or
 - (iv) on a Saturday, Sunday, public holiday or on the business day before a public holiday except where we have arranged to undertake planned work on a distribution system or a transmission system as contemplated by clause 12.2, unless.
 - (v) you are a business customer; and
 - (vi) your normal trading hours fall within the time frames set out in clauses 12.6(d)(ii), 12.6(d)(iii) and 12.6(d)(iv) and do not fall within any other time period; and
 - (vii) it is not practicable for us to arrange for disconnection at any other time.

12.7 Reconnection of electricity supply

- (a) If your electricity supply is disconnected under clause 12.5, then we will reconnect your electricity supply when you ask us to reconnect your electricity supply and we are reasonably satisfied that the circumstances giving rise to the disconnection no longer exist.
- (b) For example, the circumstance giving rise to the disconnection may no longer exist because you provide access to the *premises* and the *meter* or we are reasonably satisfied that you cannot continue to obtain your electricity in the unauthorised way and you have paid all amounts owing to us under this contract (or made an arrangement to pay them).
- (c) Before we arrange to reconnect *your* electricity supply under this clause 12.7, *you* must pay us or accept a payment plan for our fee for reconnecting *your* electricity supply under this clause 12.7.
- (d) If we are obliged to reconnect your electricity and you ask us to reconnect your electricity at a time:
 - (i) before 3.00 pm on a *business day*, then we will reconnect *your* electricity within one *business day* if the *premises* is located in a *metropolitan area* or otherwise within five *business days*; or
 - (ii) after 3.00 pm on a business day or on a day that is not a business day, then we will reconnect your electricity within two business days if the premises is located in a metropolitan area or otherwise within six business days.

12.8 Consequences of disconnecting your electricity supply

- (a) If we disconnect your electricity supply under clause 12.5, then:
 - (i) we can arrange to remove or physically disconnect the *meter* at the same time that the supply of electricity to *you* is disconnected, or at a later time; and
 - (ii) we can charge you a fee for removing or physically disconnecting the meter and replacing or physically reconnecting the meter; and
 - (iii) you must not reconnect the electricity supply.

12.9 Reporting illegal use

If we think you, or another person at the *premises* have used, or are obtaining, electricity illegally, then we can advise the Director of Energy Safety and the Police (as appropriate) and give them any information that we have in relation to electricity use at the *premises*.

13. Limitation on Liability in Certain Circumstances

Subject to clause 14, we will not be liable to *you* for any loss, damage or liability of any kind (including without limitation any *excluded loss*) arising from or in connection with:

(a) any interruption in *your* electricity supply, any surge in electricity supply or *us* failing to supply electricity meeting any particular quality or quantity; or

(b) *our* breach of *contract*, *our* breach of statutory duty, *our* negligence or otherwise, with the exception that if *you* are an individual purchasing electricity for a *private purpose*, *we* will be liable to *you* for any *direct loss you* suffer arising from *our* breach of *contract*, *our* breach of statutory duty, or *our* negligence.

14. Limitation in Relation to Consumer Guarantees

- (a) Except to the extent that anything in this *contract* is taken to exclude, restrict or modify:
 - (i) any rights of recovery or to compensation *you* may have under the *Australian Consumer Law*; or
 - (ii) any condition, warranty or guarantee that we are prohibited by law from excluding, restricting or modifying,

all conditions, warranties and guarantees, whether or not implied by law, are excluded.

- (b) Where any electricity supplied under this *contract* is not a good of a kind ordinarily purchased for personal, domestic or household use, *our* liability for breach of any *Consumer* guarantee applicable to *our* supply of electricity under the *Australian Consumer Law*, to the extent that it is permitted by *law*, is limited to any one of the following determined by *us*:
 - (i) the supply of equivalent electricity; or
 - (ii) the payment of the cost of acquiring equivalent electricity.
- (c) Subject to clauses 14(a) and 14(b) of this *contract*, *you* must indemnify *us* fully against all and any loss, damage or liability of any kind caused by, consequent upon, or arising out of any acts or omissions on *your* part in relation to:
 - (i) your breach of any term of this contract; or
 - (ii) your breach of any applicable laws; or
 - (iii) your negligence, fraud, theft or other wrongful act or omission,

but only to the extent that such loss, damage or liability was reasonably foreseeable as a consequence of *your* breach, negligence, fraud, theft or other wrongful act or omission.

(d) This indemnity is without prejudice to any other right or remedy we have and survives termination of this *contract* for any reason.

15. Confidentiality of Your Information

- (a) Unless we are permitted to do otherwise under this contract, we will keep your information confidential, consistent with our privacy policy. Our privacy policy sets out the steps that we take to ensure that your information remains confidential.
 - In particular, but without limiting the above, we will keep your information confidential unless:

- (i) we have your prior written consent; or
- (ii) the *law* (including any applicable privacy *laws* and any regulatory, accounting, governmental, Ministerial or stock exchange requirement) requires or permits *us* to disclose it; or
- (iii) we need to use the information for *our* regulatory reporting compliance, or in any legal or regulatory proceedings; or
- (iv) the information is already in the public domain; or
- (v) we believe you have obtained or used electricity illegally or in an unsafe manner and, as a result we provide relevant information to the Economic Regulation Authority or the Director of Energy Safety or the Police; or
- (vi) we use the information for business purposes or for the purpose of conducting research into the behaviour and preferences of electricity consumers.
- (b) You agree to the above arrangements, including to the terms of our privacy policy and any use or disclosure of your information which is required or permitted by this contract, our privacy policy, applicable privacy laws or any other law.
- (c) You can obtain a copy of our privacy policy, free of charge, by either requesting a copy from our customer centre or from our website.

16. Complaints

If you wish to raise a complaint concerning our performance or your electricity supply, we encourage you to contact us to discuss the issue. If we receive a written complaint from you, we will respond to your complaint within 20 business days.

We will deal with that complaint in accordance with our customer complaints policy. We will ensure that our customer complaints policy complies with the Code of Conduct and the Australian Standard on Complaints Handling [AS/NZS 10002:2022] as amended and in force from time to time. If you are not satisfied with how your complaint is being managed you may have the complaint considered by a senior member of staff or you may raise the complaint with the Energy Ombudsman of Western Australia, whose contact details can be found in our customer complaints policy.

17. Information

17.1 We will provide you with information

- (a) We will provide you with, free of charge, at least once a year and without you requesting it:
 - (i) information on the *standard price* and *our* other tariffs, fees or charges, as *well* as reasonable information on alternative tariffs that might be available to *you*; and
 - (ii) information about any other products offered by us and available to you.
- (b) If you wish to obtain further information about this contract or the supply of electricity, please contact us. If you request it, we will provide you with, or direct you to our website, our mobile application or our online customer portal for:

- (i) information on the *standard price* and *our* other fees, as *well* as reasonable information on alternative tariffs that might be available to *you*; and
- (ii) general information on energy efficiency, including how *you* may arrange for an energy efficiency audit of the *premises* and the typical running costs of major domestic appliances; and
- (iii) general information on the safe use of electricity; and
- (iv) information on the distribution of electricity; and
- (v) information on the types of concessions available to you; and
- (vi) information on the use of a *pre-payment meter* if you are a *residential customer* (see also clause 22.2); and
- (vii) any other information we said we would provide you in this contract; and
- (viii) any other information *you* request and that we are required to provide *you* under with the *Code of Conduct*.

Copies of our policies (such as our financial hardship policy and family violence policy) are available on our website, as required by the Code of Conduct.

- (c) Unless we are legally required to provide the information free of charge, we may charge you a reasonable fee. If we direct you to our website, our mobile application or our online customer portal for information, you are also entitled to a hard copy of the information which you can get from one of our offices or we can post to you.
- (d) Horizon Power will make available at no charge, services that assist *you* in interpreting information provided by *us* (including interpreter services and services for customers with a speech or hearing impairment and large print copies).

17.2 You must provide us with information

- (a) You must provide us with information we reasonably require for the purposes of this contract and you acknowledge that any failure to provide us with such information may affect our ability to supply electricity to you under this contract. For example, we may require personal details from you in order to confirm your identity or a concession on your account, determine tariff eligibility or verify the life support equipment is required at your premises. All information you provide must be correct, and you must not mislead us or misrepresent the information you provide to us. We have rights if information you provide is incorrect, misleading or deceptive.
- (b) You must advise us as soon as possible if:
 - (i) there is a change in *your* contact details or the address to which *your* bills are to be sent; or
 - (ii) you change something at the *premises* which makes our access to the *meter* more difficult; or
 - (iii) you become aware of any problem with the electricity supply equipment, which is at, or reasonably close to, the premises; or

- (iv) you are moving premises and would like to amend the premises under this contract pursuant to 21.8; or
- (v) any information provided by you to us changes.

18. Ending This Contract

18.1 When this contract ends

- (a) This *contract* will continue until *you* end this *contract*, or *we* end this *contract* under this clause 18.
- (b) If you end this contract because you enter into a new contract for the supply of electricity with us, this contract ends on the expiry of the cooling off period (if applicable) specified in the new contract.
- (c) If you end this contract because you enter into a contract for the supply of electricity with another retailer, this contract ends when we receive notification that your premises have been transferred to the other electricity retailer in accordance with the customer transfer code.

18.2 When you can end this contract

(a) You can end this contract at any time by advising us at least five days before the day you want this contract to end.

18.3 When we can end this contract

- (a) We can end this contract by giving you prior notice if you:
 - (i) become insolvent (as defined in the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)); or
 - (ii) have a liquidator appointed; or
 - (iii) become bankrupt (as defined in the Bankruptcy Act 1966 (Cth)); or
 - (iv) breach any of *your* obligations under this *contract* for which we have a right under this *contract* or a written *law* to disconnect supply; or
 - (v) if you consume more than 160 MWh of electricity in any period of 12 months; or
 - (vi) if you cease to be either a residential customer or business customer; or
 - (vii) cease to be eligible for a standard price; or
 - (viii) without limiting any of the above sub-clauses, breach any of *your* other obligations under this *contract* where that breach is capable of remedy and *you* fail to remedy the breach within 10 *business days* of *us* requesting *you* to do so.
- (b) We can end this contract without giving you prior notice if you vacate the premises and after reasonable enquiry we are satisfied you no longer occupy or reside at the premises, or you inform us you no longer wish to obtain electricity supply from us under this contract.

18.4 What happens after a contract ends

If this contract ends:

- (a) we will use our best endeavours to arrange for a meter reading and for disconnection and
- (b) we will use our best endeavours to prepare and issue a final bill to you; and/or
- (c) we can charge you a fee for the final meter reading, disconnection and final bill, subject to the provisions of any written law, including the Code of Conduct; and/or
- (d) we can remove the *electricity supply equipment* at any time and *you* must let *us* have safe and unrestricted access to the *premises* to allow *us* to do so; and/or
- (e) you will remain liable to pay any outstanding payments to us and we will have no further obligation to supply electricity to you.

19. Security for Payment of Bills

We will not request you to provide a security deposit under this contract.

20. GST

- (a) In this clause:
 - (i) **GST** has the meaning given to that term in the GST Law.
 - (ii) **GST Law** has the meaning given to that term in A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999 (Cth).
 - (iii) adjustment note, recipient, supply, tax invoice and taxable supply have the meanings given to those terms in the GST Law.
- (b) All sums payable, or consideration to be provided, under this *contract* are expressed inclusive of GST.
- (c) If there is a taxable supply under or in connection with this *contract*, then the recipient must pay to the supplier an amount equal to the GST payable on the taxable supply in addition to, and at the same time as, payment for the taxable supply is required to be made under this *contract*.
- (d) The supplier must provide a tax invoice (or an adjustment note) to the recipient in respect of the taxable supply and the obligation of the recipient to pay the GST on a taxable supply is conditional on the supplier providing a tax invoice or adjustment note.

21. Miscellaneous

21.1 Notices

- (a) Any notice or other communication given under this *contract*:
 - (i) does not have to be in writing, unless this *contract* expressly requires that the notice or communication must be in writing;
 - (ii) subject to clause 21.2(c), is taken to be received:
 - (A) in the case of a verbal communication, at the time of the communication; and

- (B) in the case of hand delivery, on the date of delivery; and
- (C) in the case of post, on the second business day after posting; and
- (D) in the case of e-mail, on the date on which the sender's computer or other device from which the e-mail was sent records that the e-mail was successfully transmitted; and
- in the case of SMS, on the date on which the sender's device from which the SMS was sent records that the SMS was successfully transmitted; and
- in the case of any other electronic means of communication, on the date on (F) which the sender's device from which the notification was sent records that the notification was successfully transmitted.
- (iii) If received after 5.00 pm or on a day other than a business day, is taken to be received on the next business day.

21.2 **Electronic communication**

- (a) You agree that we can give information to you using electronic means where we are permitted or required to give you information by law or under the terms of this contract.
- (b) We can decide procedures as to how electronic communication will operate and what things can be communicated electronically.
- (c) If you are not able to receive information by electronic means, we can decide to give information to you by other means such as mail.

21.3 No assignment

- (a) Unless we give you our prior written consent, you must not transfer, assign or otherwise dispose of any of your rights or obligations under this contract.
- (b) We can assign or novate this contract without notice to you, to any person that we believe has reasonable commercial and technical capability to perform our obligations under this contract.

21.4 **Application of laws**

- (a) Nothing in this contract limits or excludes the rights, powers and remedies that we have at law (including under the Electricity Industry Act 2004 (WA), the Energy Operators (Powers) Act 1979 (WA) and the Electricity Corporation Act 1994 (WA)) or in equity or otherwise excludes any consent you are deemed to have given us under section 46(9) of the Energy Operators (Powers) Act 1979 (WA).
- (b) This contract also does not in any way limit our obligation to comply with the lawful directions of the Minister for Energy or the Coordinator of Energy or the Director of Energy Safety in relation to emergencies and safety or otherwise.

21.5 **Entire Agreement**

This contract and all applicable written laws represent the entire agreement between you and us relating to the matters covered by this contract.

21.6 Nature and waiver of rights

- (a) Despite anything to the contrary in this *contract*, *our* rights under this *contract* are independent of each other and are not to be interpreted as limiting each other.
- (b) If we do not enforce any right under this contract, then this must not be construed as a waiver of our rights under this contract.

21.7 Governing Law

This contract is governed by the laws of the State of Western Australia.

21.8 Amendments to this contract

- (a) We can change these standard electricity terms and conditions without your consent in accordance with the *Electricity Industry Act 2004* (WA). Any changes must be approved by the Economic Regulation Authority and your contract will be deemed to be amended to reflect those changes upon approval and publication of the amended terms and conditions as required by the Economic Regulation Authority.
- (b) We may change the premises under this contract at our discretion if:
 - (i) you notify us you are moving out of the *premises* in accordance with clause 9.3, or no longer require supply in respect of the *premises*; and
 - (ii) you request supply of electricity in respect of an alternative premises under the terms of our standard form contract within a period of 30 days from the date you notify us; or
 - (iii) we reasonably believe that you are taking supply of electricity at another supply address and you have not entered into a contract with us or another retailer for that supply.
- (c) You may change the *premises* under this *contract* with *our* consent.

21.9 Effect of invalid terms

If any term of this *contract* is invalid or unenforceable it can be severed from this *contract* without affecting the enforceability of other *contract* terms.

21.10 Authorised representatives

(a) You can, by giving us notice at any time at or after establishment of this contract, appoint a person nominated in your notice to be your authorised representative to act for and on your behalf under and in relation to this contract. We will accept the person nominated in your notice as your authorised representative unless we consider the nominated person does not have the capacity to appropriately fulfil the role of an authorised representative (as set out immediately below).

By appointing an authorised representative *you* agree to give that person full, unrestricted power and authority to act for *you* and on *your* behalf as *your* agent under and in relation to this *contract* (but not any other matter). This includes doing all or some of the following for *you* and on *your* behalf under and in relation to this *contract*:

- (i) incurring liabilities for you to pay money; and/or
- (ii) accessing your account information and personal details; and/or
- (iii) giving and receiving notices, consents, instructions and other information; and/or
- (iv) making enquiries; and/or
- (v) exercising rights, powers and remedies; and/or
- (vi) completing transactions; and/or
- (vii) changing contact details; and/or
- (viii) arranging additional time to pay an invoice; and/or
- (ix) entering into direct debit, payment plans and other payment arrangements; and/or
- (x) requesting refunds; and/or
- (xi) changing your standard price; and/or
- (xii) requesting the provision of services such as a meter test; and/or
- (xiii) applying for new *concessions* and terminating existing *concessions*; and/or (xiv) ending *your contract*.
- (b) Notwithstanding clause 21.10(a) *you* may limit the matters *your* authorised representative can perform on *your* behalf by providing notice to *us* describing the things *your* authorised representative cannot do on *your* behalf.
- (c) Any such appointment commences on the date of appointment specified in *your* notice to *us* appointing the authorised representative (or any later date when *we* first receive that notice), and continues in full force and effect until the date *you* tell *us* by notice *you* want the appointment to end.
- (d) This clause 21.10 survives termination of this contract for any reason.

22. Prepayment Meter Customers

22.1 General

- (a) You acknowledge that we are not required to offer you the opportunity to become a pre-payment meter customer.
- (b) A "pre-payment meter" is a *meter* that allows *you* to pay for electricity before *you* use the electricity.
- (c) If you are a pre-payment meter customer, then clauses 5, 6, 7.1, 9.2, 9.3, , 12.5, 12.6(a) and 12.7 of this contract do not apply to the supply of electricity at the premises. Where the other clauses of this contract that apply refer to a meter, that reference is to be read as a reference to a pre-payment meter.

22.2 Information about the use of pre-payment meters

If you are a pre-payment meter customer, we will give you information about the use of the pre-payment meters in accordance with our obligations under clause 57 of the Code of Conduct.

22.3 Consumption information

If you are a pre-payment meter customer, we will give you the following information on request at no charge:

- (a) total energy consumption; and
- (b) average daily consumption; and
- (c) average daily cost of consumption,

for the previous two years or since the commencement of this contract.

22.4 Meter testing

- (a) If you are a pre-payment meter customer, you can ask us to:
 - (i) check *your* metering data; and/or
 - (ii) check or conduct a test of the *pre-payment meter*.
- (b) We will arrange to check or test the *pre-payment meter* if you first pay our pre-payment meter testing fee. If following a check or test your pre-payment meter is found to be inaccurate or not operating correctly, then we will refund the pre-payment meter testing fee to you. We will also arrange to have the pre-payment meter repaired or replaced and we will correct any overcharging or undercharging.

22.5 You can ask to change back to a standard meter

- (a) If you are a pre-payment meter customer, you can ask us to replace or switch the pre-payment meter to a standard meter and we will do so.
- (b) Subject to clause 22.5(c), unless you ask us to switch your pre-payment meter within three months of the date it was installed or the date you agreed to enter this contract (whichever is later), you must pay us a fee to switch from a pre-payment meter to a standard meter. If you are not a residential customer, then you must pay this fee before we will switch your pre-payment meter.
- (c) If you are a pre-payment meter customer and you:
 - (i) tell us that you are experiencing difficulties paying for your consumption, or that you are affected by family violence; and
 - (ii) ask us to replace or switch the *pre-payment meter* to a standard meter, we will do so at no cost to you.

22.6 Moving out of the premises

(a) If you are a pre-payment meter customer and you advise us of the date you will be moving out of the premises, then we will ensure you can retrieve all remaining credit on the pre-payment meter at the time you leave the premises.

(b) If you do not advise us as described above, then you will lose any credit remaining on the pre-payment meter.

22.7 Life support equipment

If you are a pre-payment meter customer and you advise us that you or a person residing at the premises is dependent on life support equipment, we will stop providing you a pre-payment meter service at the premises, and we will, at no cost to you:

- (a) place you on an appropriate residential standard tariff; and
- (b) provide you with information about the contract options available to you.

22.8 Emergency credit and de-energising and re-energising a pre-payment meter

- (a) If you are on a pre-payment meter service and your pre-payment meter has run out of credit:
 - (i) between the hours of 9:00 am and 11:00 am on a business day, we can
 - (ii) de-energise your pre-payment meter at any time; or
 - (iii) outside of the hours of 9:00 am to 11:00 am on a *business day, we* will ensure that *you* have access to an amount of emergency credit of at least \$20. If *your pre-payment meter* subsequently runs out of credit
 - (including any amount of emergency credit extended to you by us), we can de-energise your pre-payment meter at any time.
- (b) If we have de-energised your pre-payment meter and you have previously consumed emergency credit, we will only re-energise your pre-payment meter when you make a payment to your account that results in an amount of credit above the amount of the emergency credit previously consumed by you. This clause 22.8(b) does not apply if the only credit you have is emergency credit.

22.9 Concessions

If you are a pre-payment meter customer and you are eligible for a concession, we will ensure that you receive the concession.

22.10 If you are in financial hardship

- (a) If you are a pre-payment meter customer and you tell us that you are having trouble paying for your consumption, we will, as soon as reasonably practicable, use our best endeavours to provide you with information about:
 - (i) the different types of meters available to you;
 - (ii) any concessions that may be available to you and how you can access them;
 - (iii) relevant financial assistance programs;
 - (iv) how to contact relevant consumer representatives; and
 - (v) independent financial and other relevant counselling services.

(b) We will give reasonable consideration to *your* request for a reduction of *your* fees, charges or debt (including in accordance with *our family violence policy*, if applicable).

23. Family Violence

If you are experiencing family violence, we can help and support you in accordance with our family violence policy and the Code of Conduct.

24. Definitions and Interpretation

24.1 Definitions

In these terms and conditions, unless the context otherwise requires:

acceptable identification has the meaning given in the Electricity Industry (Customer Contracts) Regulations 2005 (WA).

Australian Consumer Law means schedule 2 to the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth) as in force as a *law* of the Commonwealth under that Act, and as in force as a *law* of Western Australia under the Fair Trading Act 2010 (WA).

benefit change means a change to, or the expiry of, a benefit (such as a price discount) provided under this *contract* to *you* during a period that ends earlier than the date on which this *contract* will end.

billing cycle means the regular recurrent period in which you receive a bill from us.

business customer means a customer who does not consume more than 160 MWh of electricity per annum and who is not a *residential customer*.

business day means any day except a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in Western Australia.

change in law means a change in an existing *law* or the imposition of a new *law*, which directly or indirectly results in an increase in *our* cost of supplying electricity to *you* under this *contract*.

Charges By-laws means the Energy Operators (Regional Power Corporation) (Charges) By-laws 2006.

Code of Conduct means the *Code of Conduct* for the Supply of Electricity to Small Use Customers, as amended from time to time under section 79 of the Electricity Industry Act 2004 (WA).

concession means a concession, *rebate* subsidy or grant related to the supply of electricity available to a *residential customer* only.

Consumer has the meaning given in the *Australian Consumer Law*.

contract means the legally binding agreement between *you* and *us,* of which these are the terms and conditions.

customer complaints policy means the policy describing the process to be followed by *us* in responding to a complaint by *you* and which can be obtained on request from *our* customer centre or from *our* website.

customer transfer code means the Electricity Industry Customer Transfer Code 2004.

de-energise has the meaning given in the Code of Conduct.

direct loss does not include any excluded loss.

disconnection warning means a notice in writing that we issue to you advising you of a date that we may disconnect you if you have not paid your bill and explaining the complaint handling process that you can use if you disagree with your bill.

distribution system means any apparatus, equipment, plant or buildings used, or to be used, for, or in connection with, the transportation of electricity at nominal voltages of less than 66 kilovolts (kV).

electricity supply equipment is defined in clause 8.1(d).

electronic means means the internet, email, facsimile, SMS or other similar means but does not include providing verbal information over the telephone.

embedded generation means any equipment at the *premises* that is electrically connected to the *electricity supply equipment* and which is capable of generating electrical energy, whether or not such equipment is inverter-based and, to avoid doubt, includes rooftop solar PV systems.

emergency means an *emergency* due to the actual or imminent occurrence of an event which in any way endangers or threatens to endanger the safety or health of any person, or the maintenance of power system security in *Western Australia* or which destroys or damages, or threatens to destroy or damage, any property in *Western Australia*.

energy data has the meaning given in the Electricity Industry (Metering) Code 2012 (WA) as amended from time to time.

event beyond your control or event beyond our control means an event or circumstance beyond the direct control or influence of *you* or *us*, including acts of God, government orders, court orders, emergencies, operational necessity, required repairs or maintenance, any shortage or upstream curtailment of fuel supplies, breakdowns at power stations or elsewhere, animals or any other being or thing interrupting, impeding or obstructing the *distribution system*, the *transmission system* or any other *electricity supply equipment* and interrupting *our* supply of electricity to *you*, insufficient volumes of electricity or any other problem with a *distribution system* or a *transmission system* but excludes *your* or *our* inability to pay any money due under this *contract* for any reason or any failure by *you* to grant *us* access to the meter.

excluded loss means:

- (a) business interruption loss; or
- (b) lost profits; or
- (c) loss of an opportunity; or
- (d) your liability to other people under contracts or otherwise.

family violence has the meaning given in the Code of Conduct.

family violence policy means the policy that we have developed in accordance with the Code of Conduct and outlines, among other things, our policy on how we communicate with vulnerable customers and the support and assistance we will provide vulnerable customers. A copy of this policy can be obtained on request from our customer centre or from our website.

financial hardship has the meaning given to that term in the Code of Conduct.

financial hardship policy means the policy that we have developed in accordance with the *Code of Conduct* and outlines, among other things, *our* policy on how we assist you to meet your payment obligations under this *contract*. A copy of this policy can be obtained on request from *our* customer centre or from *our* website.

law means:

- (a) the common law as it applies in the State of Western Australia; and
- (b) all Acts of the Parliament of Western Australia; and
- (c) all regulations, codes, ordinances, local laws, by-laws, orders, judgments, licences, rules and permits.

life support equipment means the equipment designated under the Life Support Equipment Electricity Subsidy Scheme.

meter means the equipment used to measure the volume of electricity that we supply to you.

metropolitan area has the meaning given in the Code of Conduct.

payment plan has the meaning given in the Code of Conduct.

payment problems has the meaning given in the Code of Conduct.

premises means the address to which electricity will be supplied to *you* under this *contract*, and as amended from time to time pursuant to clause 21.8 of this *contract*.

pre-payment meter is defined in clause 22.1(b).

pre-payment meter customer means a customer who consumes not more than 160 MWh of electricity per annum and has a *pre-payment meter* operating at their *premises*.

privacy policy means *our privacy policy,* as amended from time to time in accordance with applicable privacy *laws* or any other *law*.

private purpose means wholly or predominantly for personal, domestic or household use or consumption.

rebate means a rebate under by-law 9 of the *Charges By-laws* or such other rebate or *concession* that we publish as being available from time to time.

re-energise has the meaning given in the Code of Conduct.

reminder notice means a notice in writing that we issue to you advising you that you have not paid your bill and explaining how we may assist you if you are experiencing financial hardship.

residential customer means a customer who consumes electricity solely for domestic use and does not consume more than 160 MWh of electricity per annum.

standard price means a charge, fee or rental to be paid by *you* for or in connection with the supply of electricity under the *Charges By-laws* or those charges, fees or rentals for or in connection with the supply of electricity that *we* publish from time to time.

technical requirements means the various requirements of *embedded generation* installation and operation specified on *our* website from time to time that is applicable to the *premises* having regard to the size of *embedded generation* installed or to be installed at the *premises* and the *electricity supply equipment* installed at the *premises*.

transmission system has the meaning given in section 3 of the Electricity Industry Act 2004 (WA).

verifiable consent has the meaning given in the Code of Conduct.

vulnerable customer has the meaning given in the Code of Conduct.

we, **us** and **our** means Regional Power Corporation trading as Horizon Power (ABN 57 955 011 697) of 1 Stovehill Rd Karratha, *Western Australia*.

written law means all Acts of the Western Australian Parliament and subsidiary legislation.

you or your means the person to whom electricity will be supplied under this contract.

your equipment is defined in clause 8.2(c).

24.2 Interpretation

In this contract, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) the singular includes the plural and vice versa;
- (b) a reference to any thing is a reference to the whole or any part of it and a reference to a group of things or persons is a reference to any one or more of them;
- (c) a reference to a person includes a public body, company, or association or body of persons, corporate or unincorporated;
- (d) a reference to a person includes a reference to the person's executors, administrators, successors, substitutes (including, but not limited to, persons taking by novation) and permitted assigns;
- (e) a reference to a clause is a reference to a clause of this contract;
- (f) headings are included for convenience and do not affect the interpretation of this contract;
- (g) a reference to a statute, ordinance, code or other *law* includes regulations and other instruments under it and consolidations, amendments, re-enactments or replacements of any of them;
- (h) if a word or phrase is defined, other grammatical forms of that word or phrase have a corresponding meaning;
- (i) if the word "including" or "includes" is used, the words "without limitation" are taken to immediately follow;
- (j) a reference to writing includes any means of representing or reproducing words in visible form including by *electronic means*;
- (k) a reference to a liability includes any obligation to pay money and any other loss, cost or expense of any kind;

- (I) a reference to a month is to a calendar month and a reference to a year is to a calendar year;
- (m) if a period of time is specified and dates from a given day or the day of an act or event, it is to be calculated inclusive of that day;
- (n) if a date stipulated for payment or for doing an act is not a *business day*, the payment must be made or the act must be done on the next *business day*; and
- (o) a reference to a monetary amount means that amount in Australian currency.

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