Environmental, Planning and Heritage Brief

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1.1 Environmental Assessment

Western Power will perform desktop environmental assessments and studies to ensure the assessment of the environmental, planning and heritage impact areas are addressed by the Customer in relation to their line route. Western Power will undertake an internal due diligence assessment to understand potential surveys, approvals and timeframes. The due diligence assessment will also assess the project's approvals and management conditions to ensure they do not burden Western Power with unacceptable constraints during the construction, operation or maintenance of the network being developed.

For the Western Power component of the project, the environmental, planning and heritage assessment and approvals aspects must be incorporated into the Customer's project plan. The assessment of the line route is expected to form part of the broader Customer project assessment and approvals to ensure cumulative impacts are addressed. The Customer will be required to have an Environmental, Planning and Heritage Approval Plan in place to be able to receive an Access Offer, this includes:

- Completing all environmental, planning and heritage due diligence / desktop assessments on the customers selected line route;
- Providing regulatory pre-referral meeting evidence (such as agreed meeting minutes);
- Providing written evidence of any correspondence from engagement with the relevant regulator(s); and
- Providing copies of all relevant assessments, surveys (including spatial data and shapefiles) and approvals (including any management plans or other commitments made to secure approval) for project to go ahead

The Customer should allow Western Power a minimum of 20 working days for review and to provide feedback.

If the Customer follows the relevant regulatory assessment and approval guidelines and provides evidence of doing so, then it is likely that Western Power will deem the environmental, planning and heritage requirements for this project to be satisfied.