



Part of the Energy Queensland Group



# Operational Update

## Contestable Works – Ergon review

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### Communication with Developers directly

Developers will be advised that they will need to engage an Ergon Accredited Consultant to represent them through Developer Design and Consult projects.

### Local Government Approvals for public lighting and electrical reticulation

It remains the Developers responsibility to ensure all approvals required for Ergon reticulation and public lighting are obtained. This includes ensuring the billable customer is aware of the public lighting that is being installed. This is undertaken by the Ergon Accredited Consultant on the developer's behalf. Ergon's main role is to ensure the development is built to our standards and policies.

Please note, this does not preclude the Developer from obtaining the necessary Approvals. It means Ergon will not be required to sight approvals prior to issuing a NCEC.

The Contestable Works team reserves the right to request a copy of any and all approvals at any time; however, this will usually be for auditing purposes.

It will no longer be mandatory to submit the approvals prior to Certificate of Completion on all projects.

### Evidence of Telecommunications Provider notifications

Effective immediately, Ergon Energy will no longer require evidence of the Telecommunications provider.

### Ergon Work Request references

Ergon requests that all email corresponded includes the Ergon Work Request number in the subject line of the email. It is also just as important that the Work Request number is accurate. There are a number of instances where this is not happening.

### Works plan PDF requirements

Ergon reminds Consultants that works plans submitted to Ergon must be able to be printed in Black and White (B&W). Ergon is prepared to receive emailed PDF copies of works plans in colour, as long as they can be printed in B&W and comply with Ergon documented works plan standards (i.e. line weights).

The works plan PDF should be submitted in one PDF file (i.e. multiple sheets in the one file). The works plan should not be combined in the one PDF with the other documentation though.

## Ergon Works on a DD&C Design

Where there are Ergon Non-Contestable works being carried out in conjunction with DD&C works, the Works Plan is to have the Works Request number for the Ergon activities shown on the Works Plan. Ideally this will be adjacent to the Ergon Works or; in the vicinity with an arrow pointing to the Ergon Works.

The comments field of the Works Schedule is to also show the assets which Ergon is working on and a very brief description of what works are being undertaken by Ergon.

## Wayleave Document

Ergon Energy will now permit the *CONSENT TO WORKS - CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE* document (ERGON form PW000802F100, also known colloquially as a *Wayleave*); document to be submitted electronically. Having said that, it is desirable for ERGON to receive the original paper copy of the Wayleave form where it is available. A site plan of the area to be covered by the Wayleave is to be provided. This can be a snap shot from the Works Plan of the area to be covered by the Wayleave.

## Bank Guarantee/Surety Bond

For a bank guarantee or surety bond to be acceptable all the following criteria must apply:

- They must be made out to: **ERGON ENERGY CORPORATION LIMITED, ABN 50 087 646 062**
- The financial institution or insurance company must have offices or representation within Australia and must be assessable directly by the Group;
- The financial institution or insurance company must have a public rating of at least BBB+ or equivalent rated by Standard & Poor's, Moody's or Fitch;
- The bank guarantee or surety bond must state that it is: **irrevocable, unconditional and payable on demand**;
- The expiry date or issue period of the bank guarantee or surety bond must be for no less than 5 years or have no expiry date;
- The company names and Australian Business Numbers on the bank guarantee or surety bond must be accurate; and
- The original bank guarantee or surety bond, fully executed by the financial institution or insurance company, must be obtained.
- Electronic copies of the bank guarantee or surety bond are not acceptable.

**Please ensure you send the ORIGINAL Bank Guarantee to “Subdivision Team, 26 Reddacliff St Newstead QLD 4006”.**

Please contact [CCG.Contestable@ergon.com.au](mailto:CCG.Contestable@ergon.com.au) if you have concerns regarding particular institutions Bank Guarantee/Surety Bond being acceptable to EQL.

## Payment processing

Customer ABN's are now required for all projects where Ergon is making or processing a payment.

## Developers Handbook

Please be advised that these changes will be reflected in the Developer's Handbook where appropriate, however this Operational Update overrides other Ergon Energy documentation where it relates to Contestable Works projects.

**For more information contact: E-mail [ccg.contestable@ergon.com.au](mailto:ccg.contestable@ergon.com.au)**

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