

ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY ACT 2000 REVOCATION OF ELECTRICITY RETAIL LICENCE

WINconnect Pty Ltd (ACN 112 175 710)

RECORD OF DECISION

6 November 2023

SUMMARY

Pursuant to section 29(3) of the Electricity Industry Act 2000 (Vic) (Industry Act) the Essential Services Commission (the commission) has revoked the licence of WINconnect Pty Ltd (ACN 112 175 710) (WINconnect) to sell electricity by retail in Victoria.

BACKGROUND

On 19 June 2013, WINconnect was first granted an electricity retail licence.

On 8 April 2022, Origin Energy Limited (Origin) wrote to the commission with confirmation that WINconnect had been acquired by one of its subsidiary entities on 1 April 2022.

On 4 October 2023, Origin, on behalf of WINconnect, requested that WINconnect's licence be revoked and confirmed that WINconnect had ceased retailing electricity in Victoria.

CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMISSION

Section 29(3) of the Industry Act provides that the commission may revoke a licence in accordance with the procedures specified in the licence conditions. Relevantly, clause 6.1(i) of WINconnect's licence provides that its licence may be revoked at any time by the commission at the request of the licensee.

DECISION

Pursuant to section 29(3) of the Industry Act and having regard to its objectives under the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 and the Industry Act, the Executive Director, Energy (as delegate of the commission) has revoked WINconnect's licence to sell electricity by retail in Victoria effective from 6 November 2023. This revocation was at the request of WINconnect.

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Kate Symons Chairperson