



# Media Release

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## **Thiess Services secures new electrical performance-based contract with Western Power**

Thiess Services' long-standing relationship with Western Power has been reaffirmed with the signing of a new performance-based contract, potentially worth up to an estimated value of \$325 million over a maximum five year period, for the provision of electrical services.

The agreement comprises an initial two-year period, and then three potential one-year extensions.

The new contract will see Thiess Services work with Western Power to upgrade and maintain its electrical distribution network throughout metropolitan Perth and south-west regional Western Australia.

Thiess Services Executive General Manager, Michael Wright, said the new contract is a testament to the quality of service delivery, the commitment to safety and innovation, and the depth of expertise in the working relationship between Thiess Services and Western Power.

"With the strength of our existing presence in Perth and the backing of our national electricity transmission and distribution capability, Thiess Services has the capacity to deliver a complete suite of distribution services to Western Power. We are excited about the incremental service enhancements and levels of innovation we can achieve together with this new contract arrangement in place," Mr Wright said.

Thiess Services is a national leader in the electrical utilities sector and since 2005 has carried out maintenance upgrades and construction projects on the Western Power overhead and underground south west interconnected network throughout metropolitan Perth and regional WA.

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