

## Connection Code Bulletin 2014 – 1

**Issue/s:** Introduction of Contractor and Consultant Accreditation  
**Audience:** Proponents, Project Managers, Designers, Construction Supervisors and Constructors  
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### Introduction

Power and Water is pleased to announce the introduction of a Contractor and Consultant Accreditation process.

The accreditation process aims to improve the quality and safety of the construction design and certification of water and sewer infrastructure that can be gifted to Power and Water. The accreditation process will include ongoing assessment of performance and will assist developers in choosing contractors and consultants suitable to design and construct water and sewerage infrastructure.

There will be a 3 month period in which to make application for all new developments before any works occurring will require developers/proponents to engage accredited consultants and contractors.

### Why is accreditation being introduced?

- To clarify the roles and responsibilities
- Establish an agreement between Power and Water and Developers to ensure understanding of the requirements of undertaking works to be gifted to Power and Water
- Clarify the performance management and audit expectations
- Ensure those doing the works, design and construction are properly qualified.
- Ensure safe work practices are undertaken
- Improve timeliness and quality of development works to be gifted to PWC

### Who needs to have Accreditation?

Anyone undertaking design or construction of water and sewerage assets gifted to Power and Water Corporation under the Connection Code.

### What has changed?

Anyone developing water and/or sewerage infrastructure to be gifted to Power and Water needs to engage accredited people.

Anyone designing, certifying or constructing water and/or sewerage infrastructure to be gifted to Power and Water needs to be accredited.

Power and Water have released a number of documents to clarify the changes. These include

- [Guidelines for Water and sewerage Accreditation](#)
- [Application for Water and Sewerage Accreditation](#)
- [List of Accredited water and sewerage consultants and contractors](#)
- [Consultant](#) and [Contractor](#) performance reports
- [Development Works Permit](#)

Only accredited consultants & contractors may be used and they must be accredited for applicable categories of work.

All existing projects do not require accreditation, however these may be used to assess future application for accreditation

### **How do I apply for Accreditation?**

If you work for Power and Water all the time, or have not worked for Power and Water before, the application process is the same. Those wishing to apply for accreditation need to complete the application form which includes agreeing to the guidelines. Successful applications will be added to the list of 'Accredited water and sewerage consultants and contractors'. Developers can then access the list to determine who is accredited. The list will be updated regularly to include those that have successfully applied for accreditation or if there has been a change in accreditation status. By 1<sup>st</sup> July 2014 all water and sewerage works to be gifted to Power and Water must be undertaken by accredited contractors and consultants.

### **Feedback**

Feedback can be submitted using the [form](#) available from [http://www.powerwater.com.au/business/for\\_business\\_and\\_developers/water\\_service\\_s\\_connection\\_code/technical\\_requirements/connection\\_code\\_feedback](http://www.powerwater.com.au/business/for_business_and_developers/water_service_s_connection_code/technical_requirements/connection_code_feedback)

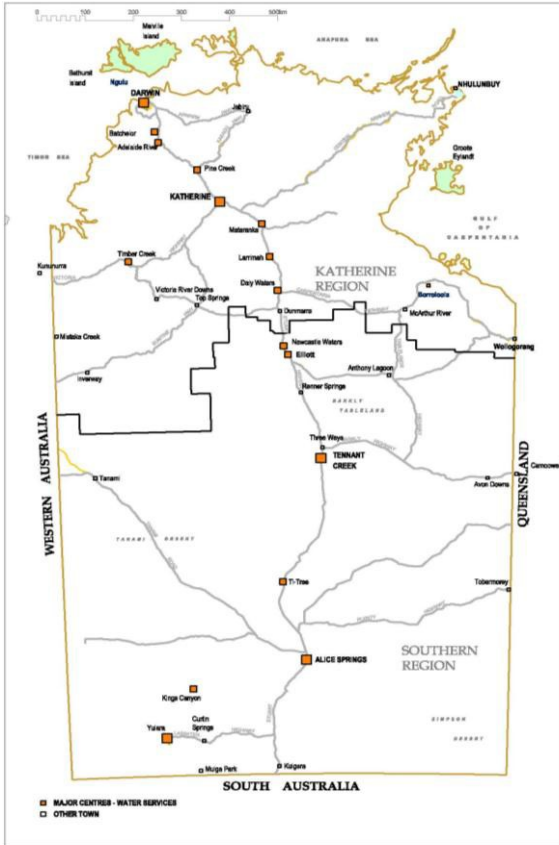
Word or PDF documents can be attached where necessary.

### **How can I get more information?**

The Service Development Section of Power and Water administers the Connection Code and associated activities. This includes the asset creation, design and construction process for the Corporation's water supply and sewerage supply infrastructure. The Connection Code and Infrastructure Design Approval Process internet pages are available on [here](#).

Services Development – Water Services

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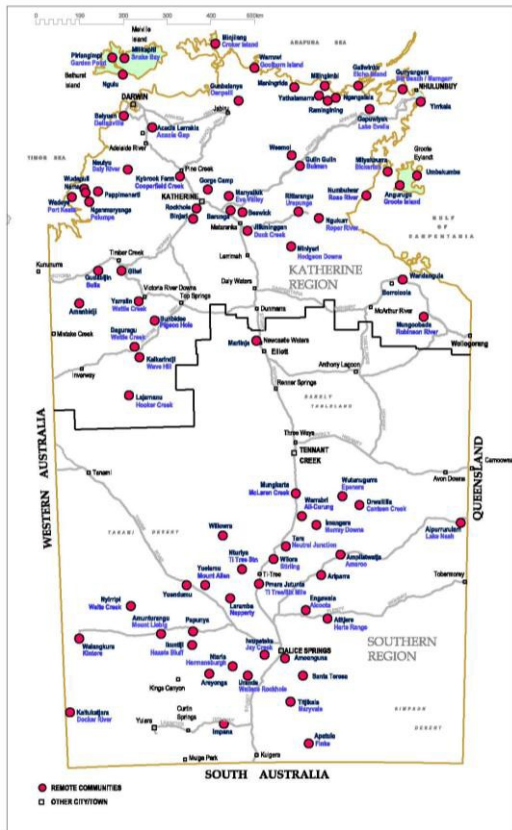
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