

Environmental Protection Authority

Public record pursuant to s. 39 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

Proposal title: Cataby Power Station

Proposal location: 135 km north of Perth, within the Wheatbelt region of WA

APP number: APP-0036313

Date referral received: 1 July 2026

Date more information received: N/A

Referrer: Alinta Energy (Cataby) Pty Ltd

Proponent: Alinta Energy (Cataby) Pty Ltd

Potential significant effects:

There are potential impacts on: air quality from construction and operational activities; greenhouse gas emissions from the production of scope 1 emissions above 100,000 tonnes CO₂-e per annum; and social surroundings from impacts to cultural values and amenity.

Preliminary key environmental factors: air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, and social surroundings.

Public comment on referral information:

Does the proposal need further assessment due to its potential significant impacts?

Yes 0 No 0

If the proposal requires further assessment, should the EPA include further opportunities for public review?

Yes 3 No 0

Total submissions: 3

Decision: s. 38G(1) – Assess

Level of assessment:

Assess based on information provided at referral (s. 38) and with public review (S. 40(4) and s. 40(5)).

Explanation of decision:

Detailed assessment is required to determine the extent of potential impacts to air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, and social surroundings and whether the EPA's environmental factor objectives can be met. The public review period will allow stakeholders the opportunity for further comment on key environmental factors including greenhouse gas emissions resulting from the proposal.

The EPA has considered that the proponent has provided sufficient information to undertake the assessment but may seek further clarification during the assessment process.

Appeals:

There are no rights of appeal under the EP Act in respect of this decision.



Darren Walsh

CHAIR

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

Date: 27 July 2026