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The **Independent Market Operator** has an obligation to secure through the Reserve Capacity Mechanism (RCM) sufficient capacity (generation and Demand Side management) to meet the maximum load demands of the Western Australian Wholesale Electricity market.

**Load Watch: Summer 10:** provides a weekly snapshot of the level of available capacity and electrical load last week. It also provides forecast temperatures and load for next week and a look back to Summer 09.

## **Last Week**

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri 11 Jan 10 12 Jan 10 13 Jan 10 14 Jan 10 15 Jan 10 Total Capacity (note1) 5096 5096 5096 5096 5096 Outages (note 2) 148 261 261 261 256 **Available Capacity (MW)** 4948 4835 4835 4835 4840 29 37 Max Temp (°C) 24 34 34 **Min Temp** 14 15 15 17 19 Max Load (note 3) 2306 2339 2839 2852 3171 **Capacity Cushion** 2642 2496 1996 1664 1988 53% 52% 41% 34% 41%

Last Week: Last week saw a healthy capacity cushion with the whole week exceeding 30%.

(Note 1) 'Total Capacity' is total capacity procured by the IMO with various adjustments (40MW).

(Note 2) Outages are current as at the time of publication and may be subject to change.

(Note 3) Operational Load being the total loss adjusted generator sent out energy.

## **This Week**

|                       | Mon       | Tue       | Wed       | Thu       | Fri       |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                       | 18 Jan 10 | 19 Jan 10 | 20 Jan 10 | 21 Jan 10 | 22 Jan 10 |
| Max Temperature       | 41        | 37        | 30        | 28        | 33        |
| Min Temperature       | 21        | 22        | 20        | 17        | 15        |
| Forecast Max Load (MW | 3721      | 3504      | 2963      | 2623      | 2843      |

## LookBack: Summer 09

|                       | Mon       | Tue       | Wed       | Thu       | Fri       |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                       | 19 Jan 09 | 20 Jan 09 | 21 Jan 09 | 22 Jan 09 | 23 Jan 09 |
| Max Temperature       | 35        | 38        | 34        | 35        | 35        |
| Min Temperature       | 18        | 21        | 22        | 19        | 22        |
| Forecast Max Load (MW | 2490      | 2418      | 2441      | 2496      | 2553      |

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