



Notice

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Proposed revised access arrangement for the Mid-West and South-West Gas Distribution Systems

Calculation of time for publication of a final decision

The Economic Regulation Authority has decided to disregard time in the calculation of the time limit for publishing a final decision on ATCO Gas Australia Pty Ltd's proposed revised <u>access arrangement</u> for the Mid-West and South-West Gas Distribution Systems.

The National Gas Rules (rule 11) set out requirements for calculating a time limit for making a decision on an access arrangement proposal. As part of this calculation, the ERA is allowed to disregard time in certain circumstances, including any periods allowed for public submissions on the proposal or a draft decision on the proposal.

The consultation period on ATCO's proposed revised access arrangement from 18 September 2018 to 14 November 2018 is disregarded for the purpose of calculating the time by which a final decision must be made.

It is anticipated that the ERA's draft decision on ATCO's proposed revised access arrangement will be published in late March or early April 2019. A subsequent public submission period and, if required, a period for ATCO to revise its access arrangement proposal, will also be considered as disregarded time under rule 11 of the National Gas Rules. The date of the publication of the final decision will depend on the timing of this process and will be advised to interested parties in due course.

Further information

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