



Notice

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Proposed revised access arrangement for the Dampier to Bunbury Natural Gas Pipeline

Issues Paper and extension of public consultation period

The Economic Regulation Authority has published an issues paper on the proposed revised access arrangement for the [Dampier to Bunbury Natural Gas Pipeline](#) (DBNGP).

The DBNGP is a transmission pipeline which extends approximately 1,600 kilometres from Dampier in the Pilbara region, through to Perth and Bunbury.

On 2 January 2020, DBNGP (WA) Transmission Pty Ltd (DBP) submitted its proposed revised access arrangement, access arrangement information and other supporting information to the ERA.

The ERA has prepared an issues paper to assist interested parties to prepare submissions on the proposed revised access arrangement. The ERA has identified two issues that have significant implications for current and future tariffs being DBP's proposal for accelerating the depreciation of its pipeline and the introduction of an operating expenditure incentive mechanism.

The issues paper is not an exhaustive review of the proposed revised access arrangement or the matters that the ERA will address when making its draft decision on whether to approve the proposal. The ERA invites submissions on any aspect of DBP's proposal and on the operation of the DBP access arrangement.

The ERA has extended the public submission period from 24 March 2020 until 4:00pm (WST) on Tuesday 31 March 2020 to allow interested parties time to make submissions in response to the issues paper.

For the purposes of calculating the eight-month period within which a final decision on DBP's proposed revised access arrangement is to be published, the public submission period from 23 January 2020 to 31 March 2020 is to be disregarded time under rule 11 of the National Gas Rules. A subsequent public submission period following the draft decision, and if required a period for DBP to revise its access arrangement proposal, will also be disregarded time.

Invitation for submissions

The ERA invites interested parties to make submissions on the ERA's issues paper and DBP's access arrangement proposal.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Tuesday, 31 March 2020.

Submissions should be lodged online using the form on our website
www.erawa.com.au/consultation.

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