



# Notice

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## 2022 gas rate of return instrument review

### Discussion paper

The ERA has published a [discussion paper](#) for the 2022 gas rate of return instrument review. This discussion paper sets out the ERA's working views on the method for calculating the allowed rate of return on capital for gas network service providers and calls for public submissions.

The gas rate of return instrument is used to determine the allowed rate of return on capital for regulated gas network service providers in Western Australia. The rate of return provides service providers with the funding to pay interest on any loans and give a return on equity to investors.

The ERA is required to review the rate of return instrument and make a new gas rate of return instrument by every four years. A new 2022 gas rate of return instrument is required by 18 December 2022.

The discussion paper sets out the ERA's initial views on the allowed return on debt, return on equity, the value of imputation credits (gamma) and inflation forecasts for the duration of the instrument.

The ERA will consider the public submissions received in response to the discussion paper as part of its draft decision, which is expected to be published in June 2022.

### Invitation for submissions

The ERA invites interested parties to make submissions on the discussion paper.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Monday, 31 January 2022.

Submissions should be lodged online using the form on our website [www.erawa.com.au/consultation](http://www.erawa.com.au/consultation).

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