



Notice

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2022 gas rate of return instrument review

Publication of discussion paper on focused consultation

The Economic Regulation Authority has published a [discussion paper](#) outlining the focused consultation it will undertake in April 2022 for the 2022 gas rate of return instrument review. The focused consultation will address specific questions regarding equity beta and the market risk premium.

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 has gathered a range of information during the review to date, including stakeholder submissions, expert evidence, academic literature and market data. The ERA considers that additional focused exploratory consultation on equity beta and the market risk premium would complement the existing information.

The focused consultation process will involve:

- An online session on 27 April 2022 where the ERA will present its underlying analysis and ask questions. Stakeholders who would like to attend the session can register by sending an e-mail to rateofreturnreview@erawa.com.au
- Written submissions to be received by 9 May 2022.

Invitation for submissions

The ERA invites interested parties to provide comment on the specific matters discussed in the focused consultation discussion paper and during the consultation session.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Monday, 9 May 2022.

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

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