



Notice

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Gas access arrangement guideline

Publication of revised guideline

The Economic Regulation Authority has published a revised [gas access arrangement guideline](#).

This guideline covers the procedural matters related to access arrangements that fall within the framework for the economic regulation of gas pipelines within Western Australia, and the role of the ERA in administering this regulation.

The guideline is written for both service providers and other interested parties who wish to be involved in the access arrangement decision making process. It is focused on the processes involved, rather than the specific matters that the ERA considers when deciding whether to approve a service provider's access arrangement.

Interested parties can comment on the matters discussed in the guideline and any other relevant issues or concerns by contacting Tyson Self, Assistant Director Gas Access.

Background

The *National Gas Law* and *National Gas Rules*, as implemented in Western Australia by the *National Gas Access (WA) Act 2009*, establish the framework for the economic regulation of gas pipelines in Western Australia. Under this framework, some service providers of regulated pipelines must propose and submit an access arrangement to the ERA for approval. Access arrangements detail the terms and conditions, including prices, under which third party users (such as gas retailers and large mining operators) can access the regulated pipeline to transport and receive gas.

The ERA last published a gas access arrangement guideline in March 2014. Since this publication there have been changes to legislation that have affected the access arrangement framework. The 2022 revised guideline provides an overview of the current rules, requirements and processes applying to access arrangements for regulated service providers, consumers and other interested parties.

Further information

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