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### **NOTICE**

#### **ALINTAGAS MID-WEST AND SOUTH-WEST GAS DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS ACCESS ARRANGEMENT EXTENSION OF TIME**

AlintaGas submitted a proposed Access Arrangement on 30 June 1999 for approval by the Independent Gas Pipelines Access Regulator (the Regulator) under the National Third Party Access Code for Natural Gas Pipeline Systems ("the Code").

Final approval of the proposed Access Arrangement is currently due on 30 June 2000 and a Final Decision on the proposed Access Arrangement is on schedule for release on that day. Under the Code, AlintaGas is then required to resubmit its amended Access Arrangement for final approval.

It is anticipated that the amended Access Arrangement will be resubmitted in time for a decision on that document within one week of the Final Decision. However, the Code requires that AlintaGas be given at least 14 days to resubmit its amended Access Arrangement with the result that an extension of time is required until Friday 14 July 2000 to be compliant with the Code.

This extension of time to assess the proposed Access Arrangement for the Mid-West and South-West Gas Distribution Systems is given until 14 July 2000 pursuant to section 2.22 of the National Third Party Access Code for Natural Gas Pipeline Systems.

The proposed Access Arrangement describes the terms and conditions under which AlintaGas will provide third parties access to the Mid-West and South-West Gas Distribution Systems.

The Draft Decision on the proposed Access Arrangement was issued on 14 March 2000 and submissions, which closed on 5 May 2000, were called from interested parties. Copies of relevant documentation including the proposed Access Arrangement, Access Arrangement Information, Draft Decision and submissions are available on the Office of Gas Access Regulation web site ([www.offgar.wa.gov.au](http://www.offgar.wa.gov.au)).

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