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NOTICE Invitation for Public Submissions

Draft Customer Service Charter Guidelines

The Economic Regulation Authority (Authority) is seeking public comment on <u>draft Customer</u> <u>Service Charter Guidelines</u> (guidelines) that have been developed to replace a previous version, published in August 2006.

The draft guidelines provide information on the requirements for charter contents, the Authority's expectations on the review of charters by licensees, and the process it uses when reviewing or approving charters.

The draft guidelines take account of the new gas charter requirements set out in the *Compendium of Gas Customer Licence Obligations* (Gas Customer Code).

Submissions should be in both printed and electronic form and should be received by **4.00pm WST** on **Friday**, **7 August 2009**, addressed to:

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