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## **NOTICE**

## Further Extension of Time – Access Arrangement WA Gas Networks Pty Ltd (formerly AlintaGas) Mid-West and South-West Gas Distribution Systems

The Economic Regulation Authority today approved a request by WA Gas Networks Pty Ltd (WAGN) for a further four-month extension to submit revisions for the proposed revised access arrangement for the Mid-West and South-West Gas Distribution Systems (GDS).

The further extension will be from 30 September to 31 January 2010. The anticipated completion date for the review of the access arrangement revisions will therefore be 1 November 2010, instead of 1 July 2010.

WAGN said its main reason for the extension was to allow it to submit the access arrangement revisions after the relevant sections of the *National Gas Access (WA) Act 2009* come into effect in Western Australia. While the Act received Royal Assent on 1 September 2009, only sections 1 and 2 are in operation with the remainder of the Act becoming effective on the future tabling of regulations in the WA Parliament.

WAGN submitted its <u>application</u> for the extension on 16 September 2009. The Authority granted it under section 7.19 of the *National Third Party Access Code for Natural Gas Pipeline Systems*.

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