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NOTICE

Revisions to the Goldfields Gas Pipeline Access Arrangement

EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE FINAL DECISION

The Economic Regulation Authority has, under Section 2.44 of the *National Third Party Access Code for Natural Gas Pipeline Systems* (Code), extended its timeframe to issue a final decision on the access arrangement for the Goldfields Gas Pipeline (GGP).

On 23 March 2009, the Authority received the proposed revised access arrangement and access arrangement information for the GGP from Goldfields Gas Transmission Pty Ltd (GGT), on behalf of Southern Cross Pipelines Australia Pty Ltd, Southern Cross Pipelines (NPL) Australia Pty Ltd and Alinta DEWAP Pty Ltd. These documents are available on the Authority's web site.

The access arrangement sets out the terms and conditions under which GGT will provide third party users access to the GGP and the access arrangement information is to help interested parties understand GGT's proposed revisions.

On 9 October 2009, the Authority published its draft decision on GGT's proposed revised access arrangement. This decision is available on the Authority's <u>web site</u>. Submissions from interested parties in response to this draft decision were lodged on 11 December 2009 and are available from the Authority's <u>web site</u>. The Authority is currently considering all submissions and will make its final decision in due course.

Section 2.43 of the Code provides that the Authority must issue within six months of receiving a proposed revised access arrangement, a final decision regarding that proposed revised access arrangement. However, under section 2.44 of the Code, the Authority may extend the time to issue a final decision by up to two months on one or more occasions provided it publishes a notice of the decision to increase the period. This notice extends, under section 2.44 of the Code, the Authority's time frame to issue the final decision by two months to 23 March 2010.

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