



# Notice

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## **Proposed revised access arrangement for the Mid-West and South-West Gas Distribution Systems**

### **Final decision and access arrangement**

The Economic Regulation Authority has released its final decision for ATCO Gas Australia's revised access arrangement for the Mid-West and South-West Gas Distributions Systems. The ERA has not approved ATCO's proposed changes to the access arrangement and has published a [revised access arrangement and access arrangement information](#).

ATCO owns and operates the Gas Distribution Systems, which service around 750,000 residential, commercial and industrial customers in Geraldton, Bunbury, Busselton, Harvey, Pinjarra, Brunswick Junction, Capel, Mandurah and the Perth greater metropolitan area.

Under the ERA's decision, the average cost for residential customers to access ATCO's network will go up in real terms by 5.77 per cent in 2020, and around 0.5 per cent each following year from 2021 to 2024. This charge makes up around 30 per cent of the average household gas bill.

An access arrangement sets the terms and conditions, including prices, for third parties to access monopoly infrastructure. ATCO's revised access arrangement will start on 1 January 2020 and run until 31 December 2024.

The ERA has also released an [explanatory statement](#) which contains further information on the ERA's decision, its effect on gas bills, the access arrangement process and the role of ERA.

#### **Further information**

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